

# Community Awareness Committee Minutes

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## Date and Time

Thursday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012 1:00PM-2:00PM

## Location

1269 Café, 123 Hanover Street, Manchester, NH 03101

## Attendees

Susan Howland  
Loretta Prescott

Brenda Riddell  
Craig Chevalier

Michele Talwani  
Katie Simpson

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## Intro to Graphic Design

- Brenda is teaching an Intro to Graphic Design class at the NH Institute of Art and she is hoping to integrate the MCoC into a semester-long project for her students.
- The students will develop a campaign to help the MCoC and educate the public on homelessness.
- Community Awareness Committee will meet on Fridays during Brenda's class time.
  - The first meeting will be an informational gathering for the students.
    - Committee members will give the students background on the MCoC and homelessness in Manchester and answer any questions the students have.
    - Friday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am will be the first meeting.
- We discussed having an optional presentation for the students on panhandling.
  - An actual panhandler would come and speak with the students on their experiences.

## Interactive Display on Homelessness

- Loretta, who was heading this project, will be leaving the committee.
- Someone else needs to take the lead with the project.
  - Until then we'll have to put it on the back burner.
- We could possibly look into other university classes in need of projects.

## Updates and General Discussion

- The committee needs to recruit more members.
  - After the elections we need to reach out to other members of the MCoC.
  - Katie will reach out to the other local VISTAs.
- Reminder: Project Homeless Connect will be December 6<sup>th</sup>.
  - Will need volunteers for this.
- We now have a new layout for the MCoC newsletter.
  - The newsletter connects the readers to the Latest News page on the MCoC website.

## Minutes Prepared By

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