WMHT staff in attendance: Joseph Tovares. Community Advisory Board members attendance: Miriam Trementozzi, Kathryn Salensky, Jennifer Boyer, and Rick D’Errico (via telephone).

The Civics and Public Affairs Subcommittee met on 11/25/2019 at WMHT. The primary focus of the meeting was New York Now, our weekly public affairs series. Mr. Tovares gave an update on the search for a permanent host. A discussion followed on the search process. The subcommittee felt strongly that WMHT look for a politically neutral host, someone who could “check their opinions at the door.” One member suggested that we focus on younger, emerging talent as a way to pull in younger audiences.

Board members suggested that WMHT build relationships with local universities to secure interns.

As for the focus of the broadcast program. It was recommended that the television component focus on state government, but that the digital and Web components take a wider view.