



Minutes of the Regular Meeting Commission for Women (CFW)

October 3, 2018 Monthly Meeting

I. Call to order

- A. Roll Call:** Chair Everett called the meeting to order at 4:09 p.m. The meeting was held at the Downtown County of Santa Barbara Administration Building, 105 E. Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, and was wheelchair accessible. Roll call followed, and it was determined that a quorum was present.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

First District (no vacancies)

Charlotte Gullap-Moore
Judi Weisbart

Second District (no vacancies)

Suzanne Peck
Anna Everett (Chair)
Sigrid Wright

Third District (no vacancies)

Tracy Beard
Marianne Partridge
Karen Steinwachs (Vice Chair)

Fourth District (2 vacancies)

Fifth District (3 vacancies)

Public Comment – No public comment

Regular Business:

Opening Remarks by Chair: Chair Everett welcomed the participation of the Community Services Department executive team members and gave a brief introduction on the work of the Commission for Women.

Introductions by Commissioners and Community Services Department (CSD) Executive Team:

Commissioners introduced themselves and provided a background on their professional careers, their involvement with the Commission and the community and the projects in the work plan that they were



passionate about, and they highlighted prior achievements. The CSD Executive Team introduced themselves, then gave an overview of the work they do and mentioned significant projects under the CSD umbrella that could be of interest to the CFW in its goals to support the advancement of women and girls.

Action: Commissioners agreed to provide a copy of their work plan to the CSD executive team.

September 5, 2018 Minutes: Commissioner Wright made a motion to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peck and approved with the agreement to place Jaime Marks, newest Commissioner appointed to District 5, under un-excused absences moving forward. It was agreed to name the October 3rd meeting a special meeting due to the location change to 105 E. Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara.

Veteran's Stand Down – last minute plans: Commissioner Beard reminded everyone that the Veteran's Stand Down runs the third Saturday of October every year in Santa Maria and would take place on Saturday, October 20, this year. She stated that all Commissioners volunteering at the event would need to sign the waiver form by October 10. She highlighted that the willing Vets at the event would be videotaped and it was agreed that veterans would be asked a few questions to tell their story based on topics of interest to them. Commissioner Beard said that TV Santa Barbara would be on site and recommended adding a mental health counselor at the Commission for Women booth.

Action: Commissioner Weisbart agreed to contact New Beginnings for providing mental health counseling at the CFW Veteran's Stand Down booth. Commissioners are expected to be serving at the Veteran's Stand Down on October 20th from 9:00 am to noon and agreed to carpool from Santa Barbara.

2017-18 Finalize Annual Report Presentation to Board of Supervisors: Chair Everett agreed to insert one slide to finalize the presentation and to forward it to Ms. Fitzwilliam, Staff Administrator, by October 4, 2018, to adhere to Board Letter processing timelines.

Women's Suffrage 2020 Pre-plan Celebration: It was agreed that leveraging and collaboration will take place for this celebratory event with the Women's Political Committee and that this project will move to Women's Leadership and led by Commissioner Wright. Vice-Chair Steinwachs volunteered to draft a press release to encourage voting for the November 6th election.

District Community Awards for first responders: Commissioners agreed to honor first and second responder women leaders in disaster and preparedness response of every district. It was decided that the fourth and fifth districts should decide on how to recognize their responders. Commissioners stated that they would select awards for first, second and third districts.



Other Items (Questions, Comments & Announcements): Chair Everett mentioned that City of Santa Barbara Mayor Murillo invited her to a planning meeting for a Women’s Summit on October 8th or 9th.

Action: Commissioner Wright moved, and Commissioner Steinwachs seconded a unanimous vote to collaborate with the City of Santa Barbara as a potential partner on ethics training or orientation, moderator, facilitator, media conduit (publicize events) and share best practices at the Women's Summit event.

Action: A motion was made by Commissioner Peck and seconded by Commissioner Gullap-Moore to change the January 6th, 2019 CFW regular meeting to January 10th, 2019.

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

Next Meeting: November 7, 2018, from 5 to 7 pm at the City of Solvang, City Hall/Council Chambers, 1644 Oak Street, Solvang.