



*Commission for Women*

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
January 7, 2015**

**I. Call to Order**

**A. Roll Call**

Chair Capps called the meeting to order at 5:03 P.M. The meeting was held at City Hall/Council Chambers, City of Solvang, and was wheelchair accessible. Roll call followed and it was determined that a quorum was present.

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT**

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**First District: (No Vacancies)**

Laura Burton Capps (Chair)  
Gina Fischer  
Victoria Juarez

**Second District: (One Vacancy)**

Suzanne Peck  
Gail Teton-Landis

**Third District: (No Vacancies)**

Tracy Beard  
Fran Clow (Vice Chair)

Deborah Dawicki

**Fourth District: (One Vacancy)**

Martha Hight

Cindy Litzinger

**Fifth District: (Two Vacancies)**

Gayle Pratt

**B. Welcome and Introductions of Commissioners and Guests**

Chair Capps welcomed everyone present and the new First District Commissioner, Victoria Juarez, introduced herself to the Commissioners.

**C. Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

## II. Regular Business

### A. Approve: December 3, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Pratt made the motion to approve the meeting minutes. Commissioner Hight seconded the motion. Chair Capps, Commissioners Peck and Teton-Landis abstained. The motion carried.

### B. Speakers: Mona Miyasato, CEO, County of Santa Barbara; Dr. Alice Gleghorn, Ph.D., Director, Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services, County of Santa Barbara; Cathy M. Fischer, Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measure Sealer, County of Santa Barbara

Assistant CEO Renée Bahl and Assistant CEO Terri Maus-Nisich also attended the meeting to engage in the discussion with CFW.

Chair Capps invited the speakers to discuss with CFW some goals on how they can become involved and engaged with the County. Chair Capps also discussed the Gender Representation Report and the updates that are taking place to finalize the report.

CEO Mona Miyasato discussed gender representation within the County and that it mirrors the population of Santa Barbara; 1/3 Department Heads are female and 50% middle managers are female. Dr. Alice Gleghorn, Alcohol Drug Mental Health Services (ADMHS), discussed the following: Redesign of service delivery for the department; Grant money for crisis services; Firearm laws; Mental Health Plan; and the department's vision and guiding principles (cultural and individual needs with the integration of these services for consumers) that has been adopted by the Board of Supervisors. Dr. Gleghorn encouraged CFW to comment on the Mental Health Plan even though the comment period had closed. Each speaker also provided an account of their respective careers.

Commissioner Beard pointed out that ADMHS did not appear to have service delivery plans specific to women. The County indicated that they would review CFW's concerns.

### C. Announcements—All

-Commissioner Fischer announced the screening of the documentary *Vessel*, by the Pro-Choice Coalition, taking place on January 22.

**Commissioner Peck made the motion to approve Commissioner Teton-Landis contributing a donation of \$25.00 in the name of CFW for an ad. Commissioner Hight seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

-Commissioner Peck discussed the request for sponsorship of the screening of the movie *Selma* at the Arlington Theater on January 8, by former Commissioner Gwendolyn Hampton. Due to the short notice and the sponsorship request labeled Peace of Wisdom Ministries, CFW declined to sponsor the event. Commissioner Peck informed CFW that there is another event about issues of reconciliation at UCSB in February that CFW might want to sponsor. Commissioner Peck indicated that she will attend the event on January 8 and advise CFW about the event in February.

**D. Accept Chair Report–Burton Capps**

Chair Capps provided an update on the Gender Representation Report. Stephanie Langsdorf is working on updating the municipality data set by contacting municipalities. The report should be finalized by the end of January. Ms. Langsdorf indicated that since the data from the municipalities would be more recent, the County data reflected in the report should be up to date, which would require an additional \$300.00. Chair Capps indicated that she would ask the County if they could provide an intern to update the County data.

**Commissioner Fischer made the motion to conditionally approve \$300.00 from CFW budget, if needed, to update the County data. Commissioner Peck seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

**E. Review, Discuss & Act: CA Commission on Status of Women, Sacramento–All**

Commissioner Teton-Landis indicated that this meeting would not be taking place.

**F. Update: Veterans Stand Down–Pratt**

Commissioner Pratt provided a written report from Supervisor Steve Lavagnino on the event. She noted that 50% more women attended this year and participants took greater advantage of services offered this year, specifically medical services.

**G. Review, Discuss & Act: Service Awards–All**

No action taken.

**H. Review, Discuss and Act : Committee Updates–All**

**1. Women in Leadership:**

**2. Mental Health:**

Commissioner Beard commented that since there were no items specific to women, she may discontinue attending the Mental Health Commission meetings.

**3. Events:**

**4. Executive:**

**I. Meetings With Supervisors–All**

**J. Other Business – All**

-Commissioner Pratt provided an update on the grant received by the County for the Human Trafficking Task Force: It was announced in the media that the grant is for a needs assessment, and the Task Force is still trying to figure out what needs to be done.

-Commissioner Fischer announced the next Human Trafficking Task Force meeting is January 8, which she will attend.

**K. Agenda Items for next meeting-All**

Service Awards

Mental Health Plan

### **III. Adjourn**

**The meeting adjourned at 7:15 P.M.**

The next scheduled meeting will be held on February 4, 2015, City of Solvang.