



Minutes of the Regular Meeting Commission for Women (CFW) August 2, 2017

Call to order - Chair Anna Everett called the meeting to order at 5:05 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

First District (no vacancies)

Judi Weisbart

Second District (no vacancies)

Suzanne Peck

Anna Everett (Chair)

Sigrid Wright

Third District (no vacancies)

Tracy Beard

Karen Steinwachs

Fourth District (2 vacancies)

Tami Rabska

Fifth District (1 vacancy)

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

Victoria Juarez

Charlotte Gullap-Moore

Marianne Partridge

Teresa Reyburn

Heidi Summers

Public Comment – No public comment

June 7, 2017 Retreat Minutes - Commissioner Rabska made a motion to accept the minutes. This was seconded by Commissioner Peck and passed. All in attendance expressed that the retreat was very productive and informative.

CFW 2017-18 draft work plan – Commission Chair Everett led the group in a discussion about the draft work plan initiated at the June retreat. It was agreed to add the “Advocacy” committee to the “Women in Leadership” committee (and add Commissioner Juarez to assist with Girls Inc. events). The outreach committee added Commissioners Beard and Rabska. The Policy committee added Commissioner Beard. The Listening Sessions committee added Commissioner Rabska. Other details are in the work plan which once finalized, will be placed on the CFW website. Commissioners want to meet with the school board to discuss concerns of school-aged girls that came up during the March “Women Speak Up” event and to discuss sharing films on trafficking and health teacher needs in schools.



Note on Films – the CFW is interested supporting two upcoming films. One is on August 24th from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. and is titled “Equal Means Equal”. The CFW voted to be a co-sponsor up to \$150 to support this event. The second is in January 2018 about sexual abuse and trafficking (film sponsors include the Santa Barbara Rape Crisis Center). This is an 86 minute film.

October 2017 Presentation to the Board of Supervisors – Commission Chair Everett shared the PowerPoint from the 2016 BOS presentation and requested help to develop the 2017 presentation. The CFW presents an update of activities annually. It is generally in October but can be anytime in the fall.

CFW Website – Commissioner Everett and county staff met to discuss updates to the draft CFW website layout and content. Ms. Foley further met with IT staff to direct them so that they can design the website and insert the content prior to the September CFW meeting (September 13, 2017). Commissioners decided to utilize their own individual photos for the website. Ms. Foley asked that Commissioners email her any photos of activities for the website.

Code of Ethics – Ms. Foley stated that County Counsel is working with CEO staff to develop an alternative to the Form 700 process for the CFW. Ms. Foley noted that if the CFW does not have a code then they would likely have to relinquish all rights to decision-making regarding CFW budget activities.

Board of Supervisor liaisons for intermittent meetings/calls/discussion was suggested and includes Commissioners Gullap-Moore, Partridge, Rabska and Summers and chair Everett.

Service Awards - for an individual and/or organization. Awardees can receive a resolution from the County or a trophy (pro-bono). District 2 is honoring AHA. District 1 is honoring Future Leaders of America. District 4 is interested in honoring Sara Arango. Districts 3 and 5 are deciding. Commissioner Weisbart will know by August 11th if we can get trophies donated.

Budget – The budget for FY17-18 will include approximately \$5,200 carry over from FY2016-17 plus approximately \$5,800 for FY17-18. Commissioners agreed they would like to support an update of the gender report, film projects and possibly travel. However the CFW would like to finalize the budget before actually incurring expenses for anything other than the agreed upon \$150 for one film program (event is in August), until a vote on the FY17-18 budget is taken. There was discussion about what if any support CFW wants to provide to Commissioners to participate in state or national events. Commissioner Beard attended a National event in July (at the beginning of the fiscal year, prior to the adoption of the budget). This discussion was postponed until the September meeting when the final budget will be adopted.

Resource Cards – Commissioners need to do an inventory of what is remaining in stock.

Items for next meeting – website update, budget discussion and adoption, work plan revisions and status reports, Code of Ethics, BOS presentation for October, awards status and timeline