



**Minutes of the Regular Meeting Commission for Women (CFW) December 6, 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**

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**First District (no vacancies)**

Victoria Juarez  
Judi Weisbart  
Charlotte Gullap-Moore

**Second District (no vacancies)**

Sigrid Wright  
Anna Everett (Chair)  
Suzanne Peck

**Third District (no vacancies)**

Tracy Beard  
Marianne Partridge

Karen Steinwachs\*

**Fourth District (2 vacancies)**

Tami Rabska\*

**Fifth District (2 vacancies)**

Heidi Summers

*\* Excused Absences*

**Public Comment** – One member of the public attended to listen to the CFW activities and discussions. She saw the CFW representatives at the Board of Supervisors’ November 7, 2017 hearing. She was impressed and came to learn more.

**November 1, 2017 CFW Minutes** - Commissioner Gullap-Moore made a motion to accept the meeting notes. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Summers, and passed.

**Chair’s Report:** The chair asked about the status of the CFW letter to the Women’s Bureau supporting their funding. Commissioner Beard hadn’t arrived yet so this was postponed.

**Budget:** Ms. Foley handed out an updated budget for FY2017-18 that added a column for the \$800.00 remaining from the Stand Down event into a new opportunity fund. Ms. Foley handed out a proposal from a



Consultant to fund an updated Gender Study. The consultant (who did the first report) is asking for \$3,500. Commissioners discussed waiting to finalize budget needs and suggested it may be done for less if County Supervisors have the data at hand and we don't research ethnicity/race.

**Chair Everett:** The Chair asked Commissioner Peck for an update about collaborations with the Santa Barbara Unified School district. Commissioner Peck noted she was working with the health department, school board staff and individual board members on developing materials (including film) for curriculum related to sex-health education in compliance with California's Healthy Child Act. Commissioner Peck mentioned that there will be some similarity to what San Diego currently offers (without the film). They are meeting with foundations and may be looking to go beyond the Santa Barbara school districts for input and to distribute the final product(s). The chair mentioned that there may be other follow up meetings in January with the school board on other topics related to South County "Women Speak Up" event.

**Policy Committee updates:** Commissioner Beard went over state legislation headed to the Governor's office that she said needs to be taken up at the local level, regarding domestic violence. She passed out draft flyers that the CFW would like to finalize so as to address the issue at the local level. Commissioner Beard noted that schools need a domestic violence policy in place to protect students (especially LGBTQ) from harassment. She mentioned that EEOC is the agency where complaints can be made, and available resources searched and explored.

**2018 Events discussion:** Commissioners reaffirmed interest in having "Women Speak Up" events in March countywide. This includes Solvang, SYV, Santa Barbara/Goleta/Carpinteria, Guadalupe and Lompoc in addition to Santa Maria. Sub committees were formed to begin to work on each event. Committees will reach out to non-profits to get clients to attend and schools.

**Adjourn – 7:30 p.m.**