

May 5, 2015

**Minutes of the Commission on the Status of Women Meeting held at:
County Government Center, 1055 Monterey Street, Room 161/162, San Luis Obispo, CA**

Note: Please bring copies of Agenda and Minutes to meetings

1. Call to Order: AK
2. Roll Call: SS

Present: Amanda King (AK), Vice-chair; Kathy Veder (KV); Shawna Scott (SS), Secretary; Jan Harper (JH), Treasurer

Excused: Paulla Ufferheide (PU), Vicki Milledge (VM), Consuelo Meux (CM), Robyn DeRohan (RD), Julie Jones (JJ)

Absent: Anita Shower (AS), Layci Gregnani (LG)

3. Guests/Introductions/Announcements/Introductions: ALL

4. Speaker

A. Buff Lawson, Health Insurance Counseling & Advocacy Program (HICAP), Senior Counselor: <http://www.cahealthadvocates.org/HICAP/santabarbara.html>

- 1) Part of National Program SHIP State Health Insurance Program
 - 2) Conducts individual counseling, individual and community education, trouble-shooting – Medicare
 - 3) Seven sites in SLO County, four in SB County
 - 4) Conducts customized education
 - 5) No charges, accepts donations
 - 6) Unbiased, no connections with insurance companies, hospitals - focus on client
 - 7) Check newspaper for advertisements, Commission can post on our website and Facebook
 - 8) People are concerned about: what is Medicare, how do I apply/process paperwork, requirement to apply for Medicare at age 65
 - 9) Part A: hospitalization, if worked 10 years, no premium; Part B: outpatient care, everybody receives premium; Part C: Medicare Advantage Plan, assigned to managed care program (all HMOs), sold by private insurance companies; Part D: prescription drug plan, sold by private insurance companies
 - 10) Almost all doctors/facilities in Medicare network, there are limited percentages of patients per doctor
 - 11) Open enrollment – once a year; can be overwhelming and confusing, especially for the elderly
 - 12) Medi-gap, covers co-pay, other gaps in the program
 - 13) So far, HICAP can accommodate demand
 - 14) Biggest issues – retiree health insurance plans
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- 15) Medicare savings programs
- 16) Handouts – brochures and fact sheets; also see Medicare.gov

- 5. Approval of Minutes April 2015 - SS
 - A. No quorum, move to next meeting

- 6. Officer Reports
 - A. Chair Report - PU
 - 1) Held over until next meeting
 - B. Treasurer Report - JH
 - 1) Checking: \$5,903.84
 - 2) Stamps
 - 3) Upcoming expenses, ACCW dues (\$50.00)

- 7. Unfinished/Ongoing Business, 5 min update
 - A. Commissioner Vacancies
 - 1) District 1 (2), District 5 (2)
 - 2) Need Commissioners to understand commitments, including monthly meeting
 - 3) Discussion about speakers, more public attendance to our meetings
 - 4) JH spoke with previous Commissioner (Silver Helms), may be interested in re-joining Commission
 - B. Website/Communications – AK
 - 1) See retreat/April minutes
 - 2) JH connected with previous Commissioner (Silver Helms), she will assist with Facebook
 - 3) Commission needs to update/maintain website, train more Commissioners for back-up/support
 - 4) AK needs information for new event, to post
 - 5) Goal – June 2015 submittal of applications for Women’s Wall of Fame to AK for posting on website in July 2015
 - C. Commission Retreat Recap – AK
 - 1) Recap of event recap and additional information from KV: including setting up committees, scheduling meetings at a time more Commissioners can attend (i.e., prior to monthly Commission meeting), setting up sub-committees that include previous nominees/winners, members of the public, work out partnership with South Bay Women’s Network; KV will send out full report to Commission via email
 - 2) Please read through minutes and provide comments/edits to SS
 - 3) AK creating Google Docs
 - D. Questionnaire - JH
 - 1) Commitment from each Commissioner (25 surveys each minimum)
 - 2) JH to send to AK to put into Google Docs
 - E. Supervisors Agenda, May 5, 2015 - SS
 - 1) Consent Agenda, BOS: Request to ratify a resolution honoring People's Self Help Housing on their 45th Anniversary. District 3.

- 2) Consent Agenda, Health Agency: Request to: 1) approve a Memorandum of Understanding authorizing San Luis Obispo County Behavioral Health Department's participation in the Workforce Education and Training Southern Counties Regional Partnership; and 2) grant delegation of authority to the Behavioral Health Administrator to sign the agreement as well as future amendments. All Districts.
 - 3) Consent Agenda, Sheriff-Coroner: Submittal of Inmate Welfare Fund Statement of Operations for FY 2013-2014. All Districts.
 - 4) Board Business: Status report on implementation of the contract with Transitions Mental Health Association for the 50 Now Program, which provides housing and supportive services for chronically homeless individuals. All Districts.
 - 5) Request to approve an acquisition agreement for the acquisition and renovation of two apartment complexes for homeless families participating in the CalWORKs Housing Support Program or in Child Welfare Services, and, if approved, authorize a corresponding budget adjustment in the amount of \$1,250,000 from the Social Services Realignment Trust to FC 180-Social Services Administration. District 5.
 - 5) Presentations: Submittal of a resolution proclaiming May as "Living Schoolyard Month" in San Luis Obispo County. All Districts. Submittal of a resolution to recognize May as "National Foster Care Month" in San Luis Obispo County. All Districts.
8. New Business
- A. ACCW Meeting
 - 1) San Diego, June 27
 - B. NACW Meeting – Indianapolis July 19-23, 2015
 - 1) See: <http://www.nacw.org/>
 - 2) Early registration ends May 31, 2015 (\$390.00)
 - 3) Next meeting discuss and identify attendees and cost coverage
 - 4) JH to register one attendee, based on past practice, through the Commission (delegate)
 - C. Other events attended by Commissioners
 - 1) AK attended Take Back the Night
 - 2) AK attended Equal Pay Day at Cal Poly
9. Adjourn: 7:45 PM

Next meeting: June 2, 2015

Running Bucket List:

1. How can the Commission help the Women's Community Center (WCC)? Possible work issue for retreat
2. BOS matching funds that we raise
3. Report to BOS monthly, different commissioner each month, discuss at retreat
4. Attend League of Women Voters to request commissioners
5. Monthly newsletter – send to contact list, BOS, network; interface with our website
6. CSW Non-profit – how to set up, is this ok to set up, can BOS provide direction
7. Mobile display case for community libraries
8. Continue to update questionnaire for all commissioners, strengths to identify where each can help
9. Domain – “Women's Way to ____”
10. Update Bylaws – All positions 2 years
11. Budgeting and expenses
12. Inclusion of ACCW/State Questions on our County Survey to aid in State reporting
13. Move forward with an issue (Resolution) related to NACW Conference, possible movie night for Commission or open to public
14. Women's Bureau Trauma Event, presenters, option to show “Invisible War”