

October 4, 2016

**Meeting 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 6:15 PM
2. Roll Call:

Present	Excused	Absent	Commissioner
X			Amanda King, Chair (AK)
X			Julie Jones, Vice-Chair (JJ)
X			Shawna Scott, Secretary (SS)
X			Jan Harper, Treasurer (JH)
		X	Robyn DeRohan, Commissioner (RD)
		X	Layci Gregnani, Commissioner (LG)
	X		Consuelo Meux, Commissioner (CM)
	X		Vicki Milledge, Commissioner (VM)
X			Chris Noffz, Commissioner (CN)
X			Paulla Ufferheide, Commissioner (PU)
	X		Kathy Veder, Commissioner (KV)

3. Guests/Introductions/Announcements/Introductions:
 - A. Arya Jones, Foster Parent Liaison, San Luis Obispo County Department of Social Services, County of San Luis Obispo, Guest Presenter
 - 1) Over 350 kids in foster care, only 170 foster homes – crisis in SLO County
 - 2) Issues: neglect (drug abuse of parents), mental illness, domestic violence
 - 3) 69% of children are not placed in home communities – additional trauma; not enough resources to keep kids in home communities; challenge to keep siblings together (about 54% stay together)
 - 4) Teenagers in foster care (41% age 13 and older) – private foster agencies, about 20 children are in group homes, some teens are sent out of state; Continuing Care
 - 5) Need foster homes for all age ranges everywhere in the County

- 6) Most kids come from north and south county, most foster parents are in north county
 - 7) Foster parent training and screening required; all free, meals served, childcare provided; fingerprinted, CPR and first aid, health screenings (PRIDE)
 - 8) In depth interviews, screening, physical inspections, licensing
 - 9) Parameters: 18 years and older, ability to cover own bills/expenses
 - 10) Support: \$700-900/month (intended to cover bare minimum); kids covered under Medical; help with therapy/counseling; help with challenging behaviors; local business discounts; bonding events; in home parenting support; ongoing monthly training
 - 11) Additional information: No age limit for foster parent; need for bilingual foster parents; opportunities for foster to adopt; emergency placement; options for recovery (ages 0-5), program that helps parents get their kids back in the home; most kids come from single mothers (fathers absent); 7-day (or less if necessary) notice if child needs to be removed from foster home at request of foster parent; if older child does not want to be in home, talks to social worker, with younger children it is difficult and complex to assess; two group homes in the County – kids have to earn the right to be in a group home; therapy provided if necessary, not a matter of course (lack of resources)
- B. Vanessa Saliz, Guest
 - C. Linda Quesenberry, Guest
4. Approval of Minutes for:
- A. July 7, 2015- prepared by RD (pending)
 - B. April 5, 2016 – prepared by AK (pending)
 - C. June 7, 2016 – prepared by SS
 - E. August 2, 2016 – prepared by SS
 - D. September 6, 2016 – prepared by SS

**Motion to approve/file (JH); Second (PU)
Ayes (all); Noes (none)**

5. Officer's Reports
- A. Chair Report – AK
 - 1) Updated website
 - B. Treasurer Report - JH
 - 1) Checking: \$4,107.38
 - 2) Stamps: \$35.24
 - 3) JH to inquire regarding waiving \$10/month service fee
 - 4) JH to restructure stamps (we are not using the smaller postage stamps)
 - 5) JH to initiate financial statement for Women's Wall of Fame event
 - 6) JH will arrange for AK to be included as additional signature on account
6. Unfinished/Ongoing Business
- A. Commissioner Vacancies - SS
 - 1) 2 - District 1 (Mecham)

- 2) 2 - District 5 (Arnold)
- B. Website/Social Media/Communications – AK
 - 1) #ThisDayInHerstory
 - 2) Discussion: November item for discussion, anniversary of National Geographic publishing first photograph showing women’s breasts (desexualization of women) – all approve posting
- C. Questionnaire/SurveyMonkey
 - 1) Paper Questionnaires – JH
 - a. AK will reach out to KV regarding assistance
 - b. Surveys provided to guest Saliz for distribution at Pacheco
 - c. Discussion: Need more diversity in responses, more outreach, options for hard copy or website
 - d. Latino Coalition, Health Fair, possible attendance by guest Quesenberry; likely October 30 at Morro Bay Fire Department; provide self-addressed envelopes with survey; inform Commission about event opportunities
 - 2) SurveyMonkey Responses – AK
 - a. 116 total responses
 - b. Facebook announcement/posting
- D. Board of Supervisors Agenda - SS
 - 1) BOS September 27
Consent Agenda - Health Agency Items:
 - 9. Request to approve a FY 2016-17 renewal contract, with an option to renew for two additional years, with Bryan’s House in an amount not to exceed \$407,280 to provide substance use disorder perinatal residential treatment services for pregnant and parenting women. All Districts
 - 2) BOS October 4
Consent Agenda - Health Agency Items:
 - 7. Request to approve a FY 2016-17 renewal contract, with an option to renew for two additional years, with San Luis Obispo County Special Education Local Planning Area in an amount not to exceed \$773,212 for County Behavioral Health to continue providing educationally related mental health services for eligible children throughout the County. All Districts.

Presentations

 - 15. Submittal of a resolution requesting that the Board proclaim the month of October 2016, “San Luis Obispo County Intimate Partner Violence Awareness Month.” All Districts

Hearings:

 - 20. Hearing to consider adoption of the 2015-2020 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice / Fair Housing Plan of the County of San Luis Obispo (“Fair Housing Plan”). All Districts.
- E. 4th Annual Women’s Wall of Fame (WWF) Event Update - JJ
 - 1) Refer to handout provided by JJ
 - 2) Confirming assignments
 - 3) Get sponsors and nominees by the end of the year
- F. Annual Holiday Reception – 12/6/16 @ 4:30PM – 6:30PM
 - 1) Location: County Government Center Lobby

- 2) Send invitations via email list
 - 3) SS to create electronic invitation
7. New Business
- A. October 18, 2016: League of Women Voters sponsoring event to review propositions, bring your own lunch, location TBD, 11:30AM – 1:30PM
 - B. October 20, 2016: US Representative Forum at Cal Poly, 6:30PM – 8:00PM, televised on KSBY (6:30-7:30PM live), remaining time to be streamed on internet
 - C. November 14, 2016, AAUW, First Presbyterian Church, hosting Meet the Police Chief
8. Adjourn: 7:31 PM

Next meeting: Tuesday, November 1, 2016

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”