



# COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

## COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

### Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 27, 2026, 6:00-8:00pm

**1. Call to Order & Land Acknowledgement**

**2. Roll Call**

a. **Commissioners Present:**

b. Julissa Acosta, Nirmala Bandrapalli, Dayna Chung, Meghan Crowell, Aileen Cassinetta, Amani Shroff, Ann Girard, LaSaundra Gutter, Siyona Jain, Amy McHugh, Larisa Ocañada, Susan Takalo, Michelle Stewart & Irma Zoepf (both arrived after agenda vote)

c. Staff: Tanya Beat, Vanessa Smith, Supervisor Lisa Gauthier

d. Absent: Ana Avendaño, Trish Erwin, Rosie Tejada

e. On Zoom as a Member of Public: Susan Kokores, Aysha Pamukcu

**3. Public Comment:** Joyce Ganthavorn introduced herself.

**4. Action to set Agenda and Approve Consent Agenda**

- Motion to approve by Nirmala Bandrapalli, seconded by Susan Takalo. Approved.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**5. Approval of December 2025 Minutes**

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**6. Welcome Back & Traditions for the New Year** – roundtable sharing of traditions.

**7. President's Report** – Ann Girard

- Summary of one-on-one meetings with commissioners and prioritizing actionable items from Fund the Future.

**8. Listen and Learn in Daly City in February** – Larisa Ocañada update

- Logistics
  - Outreach flyer included in meeting materials
  - Daly City, Jefferson Union HS District Office (new building)
- Program Agenda
  - Will need Ann and La Saundra for business part of meeting
  - Will need an overview of Fund the Future
  - Instructions for Roundtables, questions for facilitators, note-takers
  - Then sharing out at end of meeting
- Sign Ups: a sign up sheet is being passed around; we need every commissioners to help

**9. Director's Report**

- Recognition Event: Wed, Jan 28 from 5-7pm
- 2026 Calendar of Meetings: Motion to approve 2026 calendar made by Susan Takalo, seconded by La Saundra Gutter. Approved.

- Women’s Hall of Fame: please see meeting materials
- Women’s View Art Exhibit Reception: March 15 from 1-3pm at Twin Pines, Belmont. Need 2 volunteers to judge.
- Brown Act Changes with SB 707. More information will be provided at March meeting.

#### **10. Spotlight – Larisa Ocañada**

#### **11. Announcements**

- i. Immigrant Ordinance
- ii. Feb 28: Izzi Fair Oaks preschool – Canopy Tree Planting
- iii. Civic Café: Youth Commission event on Jan 31 from 11am-2pm at the ROC, County Center.

#### **12. Adjournment**