



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 22, 2021, 6:30-8:30pm

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

- a. **Commissioners Present:** Nirmala Bandrapalli, Aileen Cassinetto, Sue Datta, Anya Drabkin, Cheryl Fama, Ann Girard, Susan Kokores, Dana Linda, Christine Padilla, Ellen Tafteen, Penelope Stinson, Anisha Weber, Cate Warden, Candra Williams
Staff: Tanya Beat, Juda Tolmasoff
Absent: Kelly Keele, Melissa Lukin, Marguerite Machen, Karen Pyles, Maya Tussing

3. Public Comment – Sonia Aldape, Bob Allen, Maria Jandres, Q Smith – all members of Urban Habitat and are in a leadership program regarding boards and commissions.

4. Action to Set Agenda and Approve Consent Agenda Items

Motion by Nirmala Bandrapalli. Seconded by Ann Girard. Motion by Cheryl Fama. Approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 5. Adopt a resolution finding that, as a result of the continuing COVID-19 pandemic state of emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.**
- 6. Approval of January 2022 Minutes (action)**

REGULAR AGENDA

- 7. Commissioner Connection** – Submit a photo of yourself from 1997 or 2012. This is for the July Retreat. Please submit your photo by March 15th (to Tanya via email). Include how you are the same and how you are different from the version of you in the photo.
- 8. Reports:**
- **Youth Commission Report & Brainstorm on Sexual Assault Forum**
Cate Warden and Penelope Stinson: will present a final draft of resolution around sexual assault in schools to us at the next meeting. Community hearing around sexual assault purpose is to bring people together to share their stories. Build awareness.
 - **Discussion:**
 - i. In-person or virtual?
 - ii. Have discussion at RISE 2022? During school hours so not available.
 - iii. School Library as possible venue
 - iv. What is the goal? Building support between teens? Education? Awareness building?
 - v. Get feedback from students on the topic with feedback and comments. Bring that to administration (testimonies, petition) & propose policy change.
 - vi. Be aware of mandated reporting. Important to clarify goal.
 - vii. Does Title IX mandate reporting in HS like it does in college?
 - viii. Might want administrative allies who would want to help (counselors, staff, teachers)
 - ix. Can Youth Commissioners provide a proposal to use about goal and what you would want from us. The CSW wants to support this project.
 - **Director's Report**

- i. Commissioner Changes, CSW Retreat in July 2022 – will provide exact date at next CSW meeting.

9. RISE 2022 Conference Needs & Projects

- Volunteers: Music (Candra Williams); Exhibit Hall CSW booth staff; Roundtable hosts needed

10. Sub Committees

- What do you want to do this year?
- Take 10 minutes to talk about conference or this year?
 - i. Economic Empowerment
 1. What are some takeaways that we want to provide to our audience
 2. Questions to audience (have someone in the audience planted to ask)
 - ii. RISE 2022 & WHoF
 1. Have the CSW really evaluate the value of the conference and its impact
 2. Look at a focused theme and goals for the next event
 - iii. Mental Health & Wellness
 1. Hear from people with mental health illness
 2. Hear from leaders in mental health field (public & private sectors)
 3. Bring mental health into our day to day lives
 - iv. Leadership
 1. Want to transform topics into ongoing conversations year round

11. Ideas to Outreach for RISE 2022

- Make comment at City Council meetings
- Email to separate groups: come to what you're able to
- Personal emails are the best way to connect and invite people
- Nextdoor postings
- Cate and Penelope will announce at next Youth Commission meeting
- Get Healthy San Mateo newsletter

12. CCSWG Women's Recovery Response Grant Update

- Have not received notice from the State about the grant.
- Grant is provided for CSW reference

Invitation from Aileen Cassinetto to partner with Filoli on women's event. Highlight stories of women in the County. Connect to the WHoF exhibit.

13. Adjournment

The **Commission on the Status of Women Group** agree to arrive on time/start on time; take turns speaking; speak loud enough for everyone to hear; be courteous of other opinions; listen to hear a different perspective than your own; mute phones; allow the chair to guide the process; Chair will check in about remaining time at 8:15 PM.

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