



Commission for the Prevention of Violence Against Women

MINUTES

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, January 6, 2010 6:45 p.m.

City Council Chambers 809 Center Street

Minutes approved as submitted at February 3, 2010 meeting

Call to Order: Chair Zook called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Chair Zook, Commissioners Christie, King, Polanco, Tobisch, and Watkins
Staff: CPVAW Coordinator Agnone

Presentation: Due to illness, the presentation by Diane Deese, Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) of the SART program will be rescheduled for a future meeting.

Statements of Disqualification: None

Oral Communications – A time for members of the public to speak to Commissioners about items not on the agenda. No action may be taken.

Analia Cube, President of Take Back Santa Cruz, requested that Commissioners support a vigil for Nichole Schrock, who was killed at the 7-11 on Ocean Street. She also would like to work with CPVAW to develop a forum or fair to provide information.

Announcements - No action may be taken

Announcements by Chair:

Parenting Classes at Live Oak Resource Center

Other Commission Member Announcements: Commissioner Tobisch announced the free and open to the whole community faculty research lecture "Beyond Fear and Greed: The Moral Roots of Financial Crises" by Daniel Friedman Monday February 1, 8 pm

Staff Announcements: Verbal report by CPVAW Coordinator; distributed various informational documents.

The Chair may announce and set time limits at the beginning of each agenda item.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of December 2, 2009 meeting

Recommendation --- Approve, by motion, the minutes from the monthly meeting of December 2, 2009 as submitted.

ACTION: Commissioner Tobisch moved, seconded by Commissioner Christie, to approve the minutes from the December 2, 2009 meeting as submitted.

The motion passed unanimously (1 open seat due to Commissioner Campbell's resignation).

General Business

Chair Zook asked if there was interest in adding an emergency item (the Vigil) to the agenda since the need for action arose after the agenda was posted and distributed.

ACTION: Commissioner Christie moved, seconded by Commissioner Watkins, to add an agenda item as requested by Take Back Santa Cruz representative.

The motion passed unanimously (1 open seat due to Commissioner Campbell's resignation).

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Emergency agenda item: Vigil for Nichole Schrock:

ACTION: Commissioner Watkins moved, seconded by Chair Zook, that CPVAW work with Take Back Santa Cruz on their Friday night event and request CPVAW Coordinator to distribute information to e-mail lists.

Speaking from the floor in support and expressing concerns:

Gillian Greensite

The motion passed unanimously (1 open seat due to Commissioner Campbell's resignation).

1. Election of officers

Recommendation --- Submit nominations to elect new Chair and Vice Chair for 2010

Chair Zook opened the nominations for Chair. Commissioners Christie and Watkins were nominated.

ACTION: Commissioner King moved, seconded by Chair Zook, to close the nominations. The motion passed unanimously (1 open seat due to Commissioner Campbell's resignation).

First vote: 3 for Christie, 3 for Watkins.

Second vote: 5 for Watkins, 1 for Christie

Newly elected Chair Watkins presided over the remainder of the meeting.

Chair Watkins open the nominations for Vice Chair. Commissioner Christie was nominated.

ACTION: Commissioner Zook moved, seconded by Commissioner King, to close the nominations.

The motion passed unanimously (1 open seat due to Commissioner Campbell's resignation).

Vote: Unanimous vote for Christie as Vice Chair.

2. CPVAW representation on committees/County DV Commission

Recommendation --- Review representation on CPVAW ad hoc committees, CPVAW Police Committee and County Domestic Violence Commission and approve, by motion, volunteer assignments to each body.

Coordinator Agnone provided information on the various options.

Commissioners Christie, Zook, and Polanco will serve on the CPVAW Police Committee.

Commissioners Zook, King, and Polanco will serve on the Preventing Violence Against Homeless Women Resource material ad hoc committee

Coordinator Agnone and Commissioner King will attend the next scheduled meeting of the County Domestic Violence Commission.

ACTION: Commissioner Zook moved, seconded by Commissioner King, to accept these assignments.

The motion passed unanimously (1 open seat due to Commissioner Campbell's resignation).

3. Community Rally to Take Back the Night and Stop Violence Against Women

Recommendation --- Hear update from community members requesting partnership to schedule rally and march to stop violence against women and take action as needed.

Community members Isabelle Roselund, April Burns, and Victoria Downey provided information and plans for the January 28 march and rally.

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ACTION: Commissioner King moved, seconded by Commissioner Polanco, to support the event on January 28 and requested CPVAW Coordinator to reserve the courtyard and sound system if available, and schedule an ad hoc meeting to finalize all plans for event. The motion passed unanimously (1 open seat due to Commissioner Campbell's resignation).

4. Annual Report to City Council

Recommendation --- That Commissioners review draft copy of an annual report to Council and approve as submitted.

ACTION: Commissioner Christie moved, seconded by Commissioner King, to designate an ad hoc committee to review the issues of the annual report and report back in February with recommendations to full Commission on how to proceed.

Speaking from the floor with concerns:

Gillian Greensite

The motion passed unanimously (1 open seat due to Commissioner Campbell's resignation). Ad hoc committee members are Commissioners Christie, Zook, and Chair Watkins.

Information Items (no action shall be taken on these items): **None**

Committee Reports (no action shall be taken on these items)

Ad hoc Committees

CURRENT: **Committees will schedule meetings in January.**

Community Rally and March: Christie, Watkins, Polanco

Engage the Bystander ad hoc committee: Tobisch, Watkins, Polanco

Resource card/support group for homeless women ad hoc committee: Zook, King, Polanco

Gender and Women's rights quarterly discussions ad hoc committee: Polanco, Tobisch

Standing Committee

Police Committee: The next meeting is scheduled for February 8, 2010 at 5 pm in the Courtyard Conference Room.

County Domestic Violence Commission.

The November meeting was scheduled on the 4th which was the same night as the CPVAW meeting. CPVAW Coordinator will request information and provide update to CPVAW members in December.

Items Initiated by Members for Future Agendas

SART/SANE presentation by Diane Deese – Christie

Calendar for year's events and tasks – Tobisch

Outreach to additional bars for Safe Place Network

Take Bake the Night – Zook

Bookmarks – Zook

Presentation of Violence and Gangs – Watkins

Facebook possibilities – Coordinator Agnone

Adjournment The Commission for the Prevention of Violence Against Women adjourned at 8:40 pm from the regular meeting of Wednesday, January 6, 2010 to the next meeting to be scheduled on February 3, 2010 at 6:45 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 809 Center Street, Santa Cruz.

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