



Commission for the Prevention of Violence Against Women

MINUTES

Regular Meeting
Wednesday, JULY 1, 2009

6:45 p.m.

City Council Chambers
809 Center Street

Minutes approved as submitted at September 2, 2009 meeting.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chair Zook at 6:50 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Chair Zook, Commissioners Campbell, King, Polanco (7 p.m.), Tobisch
Staff: Police Liaison R. Escalante, Coordinator Agnone
Absent with notification: Commissioners Christie and Watkins

Presentations: CPVAW Coordinator provided a preview to the Commissioners of the self-defense power point presentation that will be given to the SC City School Board in September.

Statements of Disqualification: None

Oral Communications: None

Announcements - No action may be taken

Announcements by Chair

Flyer for Community Meeting on July 2 regarding Seabright Avenue Sexual Assault

Other Commission Member Announcements:

Staff Announcements: CPVAW Coordinator Agnone provided a verbal report which included information on the Live Oak Family Resource Center's flyer for parent classes, that she will be out on Fridays due to the City's furlough schedule, that she provided training of new Downtown Hosts for the Safe Place Network, that she will be out of the office July 23 – 29, that there is no update on grant funding as yet, and news that Asucena Garcia has been promoted to the Crisis Intervention Program Manager at Women's Crisis Support-Defensa de Mujeres.

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

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of June 3, 2009 meetings

Recommendation --- Approve, by motion, the minutes from the monthly meeting of June 3, 2009 as submitted.

ACTION: Commissioner Tobisch made a motion, seconded by Commissioner King, to approve the June 3, 2009 minutes as submitted.

The motion passed unanimously (Commissioner Campbell abstained due to absence at the June meeting; Commissioners Christie and Watkins absent.)

General Business

1. Reports regarding Domestic Violence from SCPD

Recommendation --- Accept, by motion, monthly report on Domestic Violence statistics from SCPD.

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ACTION: Commissioner Campbell moved, seconded by Chair Zook, to accept the SCPD domestic violence statistic report as submitted.

The motion passed unanimously (Commissioners Christie and Watkins absent.)

2. Procedures for Posting Public Alerts of Sexual Assaults

Recommendation --- That CPVAW approve, by motion, the revised procedures regarding posting of community alerts.

Speaking from the floor in support and/or expressing concerns:

Mr. Mears

Gillian Greensite

ACTION: Commissioner Tobisch moved, seconded by Commissioner Polanco, to approve the revised procedures of community alerts as submitted.

The motion passed unanimously (Commissioners Christie and Watkins absent.)

ACTION: Commissioner Campbell moved, seconded by Commissioner Tobisch, to direct the ad hoc committee to consider the discussion of the full Commission regarding the alert procedures concerning adding resources and Spanish translations.

The motion passed 3 to 2.

Ayes: Commissioners Campbell, Polanco, Zook

Noes: Commissioners King, Tobisch

(Commissioners Christie and Watkins absent.)

3. Distribution to Santa Cruz City Schools Language Arts Departments of curriculum which builds awareness and prevention of physical, verbal, and sexual abuse.

Recommendation --- That the Commission for the Prevention of Violence Against Women discuss and approve, by motion, the distribution of a curriculum available from the Family Violence Prevention Fund to Santa Cruz City middle and high school Language Arts teachers by scheduling short, incisive presentations.

ACTION: Commissioner Campbell moved, seconded by Commissioner Polanco, to approve the distribution of a curriculum available from the Family Violence Prevention Fund to Santa Cruz City middle and high school Language Arts teachers by having CPVAW schedule short, incisive presentations.

The motion passed unanimously (Commissioners Christie and Watkins absent.)

Information Items (no action shall be taken on these items)

Budget 2009/2010

The final adoption of the 2009/2010 fiscal year budget will take place on July. 14. A spreadsheet of expenses for this last fiscal year 2008/2009 is included for your information.

Sexual battery massage case

Review information presented from Chair Zook, Vice Chair Campbell, and Commissioner Christie regarding sexual assault case and discussion with DA.

Safe Place Network at Grad Student Commons at UCSC

Review response to letter from Chair Zook to Sue Matthews, Assistant Vice Chancellor Student Affairs Business and Administration, regarding the Safe Place Network program.

Current ad hoc committees

A list of current ad hoc committees is included in this meeting's packet.

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

Ad hoc Committees

CURRENT:

Safe Place Network pilot program with Catalyst: **CPVAW Coordinator Agnone reported that final plans are in the works with the goal to begin the program in July 2009.**

Preventing Violence Against Homeless Women: **An ad hoc meeting will be scheduled before September.**

Brochures in Medical Facilities: **CPVAW Coordinator Agnone reported that, after meeting with the Dominican Medical Foundation representatives, final plans are in the works with the goal to begin the program in July 2009.**

Bylaws – **no meeting scheduled as yet**

Stakeholder Round Table Discussion for Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Service Providers **no meeting scheduled at this time.**

Standing Committee

Police Committee: met June 1; the next meeting is scheduled for Sept 14, 2009 at 4:30 pm @ CPVAW office

County Domestic Violence Commission.

CPVAW Coordinator was ill and unable to attend June 10 meeting. Next meeting September 9 at 5:30 pm at the SCPD Community Room.

Items Initiated by Members for Future Agendas

Teen Representative – Campbell

Representative from SART program - Christie

Quarterly domestic violence statistic reports - Christie

Adjournment **The Commission for the Prevention of Violence Against Women adjourned at 8:25 p.m. from the regular meeting of Wednesday, July 1, 2009 to the next regular meeting to be scheduled on Wednesday, September 2, 2009 at 6:45 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 809 Center Street, Santa Cruz. There will be no August meeting scheduled.**

Appeals - Any person who believes that a final action of this advisory body has been taken in error may appeal that decision to the City Council. Appeals must be in writing, setting forth the nature of the action and the basis upon which the action is considered to be in error, and addressed to the City Council in care of the City Clerk.

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