



Commission for the Prevention of Violence Against Women

MINUTES

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, April 7, 2010 6:45 p.m.
City Council Chambers 809 Center Street

Minutes were approved as submitted at the May 5, 2010 meeting.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Chair Watkins.

Roll Call: Present: Chair Watkins, Commissioners Christie, King, Tobisch
Absent with notification: Commissioners Polanco, Leon
Absent without notification: Commissioner Zook

Presentation: None

Statements of Disqualification: None

Oral Communications: None

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

Announcements - No action may be taken

Announcements by Chair Watkins:

Thank you from former Deputy Chief Sapone

Invitation to "4th Annual Walk to Stop the Silence" on April 10 in Watsonville

Proclamation from Mayor Rotkin – April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Certificate of Recognition from California State Legislator Bill Monning at SC County

Women's Commission's Women's History Month event/art reception

Other Commission Member Announcements: None

Staff Announcements: Verbal report by CPVAW Coordinator

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

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of March 3, 2010 meeting

Recommendation --- Approve, by motion, the minutes from the monthly meeting of March 3, 2010 as submitted. **Commissioner Christie moved, seconded by Commissioner King, to approve the March 3, 2010 minutes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously with a majority of members attending present and voting. (Commissioners Polanco, Leon, Zook absent; Commissioner Tobisch abstained due to absence at March meeting).**

General Business

1. Engaging the Bystander workshop
Recommendation --- Review information from the ad hoc committee regarding "Engaging the Bystander" workshops and, by motion, take action as necessary. **No action taken.**
2. Sexual Assault Awareness Month
Recommendation --- Review information regarding Sexual Assault Awareness Month plans and, by motion, take action as necessary. **No action taken.**
3. Annual Public Hearing

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Recommendation --- Review information and plans regarding Annual Public Hearing to be scheduled in May and, by motion, take action as necessary.

**ACTION: Commissioner Tobisch moved, seconded by Commissioner Christie, to propose a date in May for the annual public hearing and to form an ad hoc committee to work out the details. The motion passed unanimously (Commissioners Polanco, Leon, Zook absent)
Ad hoc members: Chair Watkins, Commissioner Christie**

ACTION: Commissioner King moved, seconded by Chair Watkins, to have the annual public hearing in place of the regularly monthly meeting in May 2010. The motion passed unanimously (Commissioners Polanco, Leon, Zook absent)

ACTION: Commissioner Tobisch moved, seconded by Chair Watkins, to have a meeting on May 5, 2010 to select awardees for annual public hearing and review bylaws for approval. The motion passed unanimously (Commissioners Polanco, Leon, Zook absent)

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

Join Me On The Bridge – International Women’s Day Event

Commissioners review information on the event scheduled for March 7.

Homeless Women’s Resource Card

Commissioners review the final version of the cards which were distributed at the Census event at the Civic on March 30.

Bookmarks

Commissioners review the final version of the bookmarks which were distributed for Sexual Assault Awareness Month to local book stores and library.

Follow-up to Presentation of Annual Report to City Council

Commissioners review the information report to Council from SCPD regarding sexual assault.

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

Ad hoc Committees

CURRENT:

Engage the Bystander: Commissioners Tobisch, Watkins, Polanco

Resource card/support group for homeless women:: Commissioners Zook, King, Polanco

Gender and Women’s rights quarterly discussions: Commissioners Polanco, Tobisch

Bars in Safe Place Network Program: Commissioners King, Leon, Polanco

Standing Committee

Police Committee: May 10, 2010 at 5:30 pm in the City Hall Courtyard Conference Room.

Commissioners Christie, Polanco, Zook

County Domestic Violence Commission.

Next meeting scheduled for April 14 – Annual Retreat

Items Initiated by Members for Future Agendas

Take Bake the Night -- Zook

Presentation of Violence and Gangs -- Watkins

Adjournment The Commission for the Prevention of Violence Against Women adjourned at 8:10 pm from the regular meeting of Wednesday, April 7, 2010 to the next meeting to be scheduled on May 5, 2010 at 6:45 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 809 Center Street, Santa Cruz.

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