



Commission for the Prevention of Violence Against Women

ACTION AGENDA

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, December 7, 2011 6:45 p.m.

City Council Chambers 809 Center Street

**The following is an unofficial representation of
the Commission for the Prevention of Violence Against Women's actions.
Minutes are official upon approval.**

Call to Order Chair Watkins called the meeting to order at 6:50 pm.

Roll Call:

**Present: Chair Watkins, Commissioners Christie, Comstock, Johnson, Polanco, Tobisch, CPVAW
Coordinator Agnone**

Absent with notification: Commissioner Babcock

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

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: **Chair Watkins announced that she attended the “Misrepresentation
Video and is interested in adding this to a future agenda.**

**Commissioner Comstock announced that the “Jingle Bell Toy Run” will be held this weekend on
the levee.**

Other Commission Member Announcements:

Teen Representative: open seat

Staff Announcements: Verbal report by CPVAW Coordinator. **CPVAW Coordinator Agnone
reported that the Police Department training on domestic violence issues was in the morning. It
will be repeated next Wednesday, Dec. 14.**

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of September 7, 2011 and October 5, 2011 Annual Public Hearing Notes (FYI: November 2,
2011 meeting cancelled)

Recommendation --- Approve, by motion, the minutes from the regular monthly meeting of
September 7, 2011 as submitted.

**ACTION: Commissioner Comstock made a motion, seconded by Chair Watkins, to approve
the September 7, 2011 minutes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously (Commissioner
Polanco abstained, Commissioner Babcock absent).**

Recommendation --- Accept, by motion, the notes from the annual public meeting of October 5, 2011
as submitted.

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ACTION: Commissioner Christie made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Tobisch, to accept the October 5, 2011 notes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously (Commissioner Polanco abstained, Commissioner Babcock absent).

General Business

1. Annual Public Hearing/30th Anniversary Celebration Follow Up

Recommendation – Discuss Annual Public Hearing/30th Anniversary Celebration scheduled on October 5, 2011, review information regarding art project and form ad hoc to develop final plans, discuss tree dedication for ginkgo grove, and, by motion, take action as necessary.

ACTION: Commissioner Christie made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to form an ad hoc committee to develop plans for the art project to update the CPVAW poster. The motion passed unanimously (Commissioner Babcock absent).

Commissioner Comstock volunteered to work with CPVAW Coordinator regarding plans for the tree dedication.

2. Calendar of Meetings for 2012

Recommendation – Review dates for 2012 CPVAW meetings, discuss alternative for July 2012 date, and, by motion, take action as necessary.

NO ACTION TAKEN. CPVAW Coordinator will look at dates that are available in the Council Chambers. It was also suggested that perhaps the retreat could be planned for that month.

3. Reprinting of Resource Materials

Recommendation – Review issues of reprinting of Safe Place Network Resource Cards, Coasters, Homeless Women's Resource Cards, Bookmarks, and other handouts and, by motion, take action as necessary.

ACTION: Commissioner Comstock made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Christie, to reprint the Homeless Women's Resource Cards and the Bookmarks with the corrected hotline number. The motion passed unanimously (Commissioner Babcock absent).

4. Ad hoc committees

Recommendation – Review ad hoc committees that have sunset (which have not met due to CPVAW Coordinator's absence) and, by motion, take action to re-establish as necessary.

ACTION: Commissioner Johnson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Polanco, to re-establish the Joint Report on Sexual Assault ad hoc with the same members in order to complete the report by April 2012. The motion passed unanimously (Commissioner Babcock absent).

5. Funding for Domestic Violence/Child Abuse Workshop

Recommendation – Review information regarding workshop scheduled for January 13, 2012 at Cabrillo College which will bring Dr. Daniel Jay Sonkin as key speaker and, by motion, take action regarding funding as needed.

Leslie Hartman from the United Way/Child Abuse Prevention Council presented information to Commissioners regarding the workshop. Present contributors include the United Way, Head Start, SC County Human Services, and Women's Crisis Support-Defensa de Mujeres.

ACTION: Commissioner Comstock made a motion, seconded by Chair Watkins, to contribute \$250.00 towards the costs of the Jan 2012 workshop. The motion passed unanimously (Commissioner Babcock absent).

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6. National Conference on Health and Domestic Violence (NCHDV)
Recommendation – Review information regarding March 2012 conference in San Francisco sponsored by Futures Without Violence (formerly Family Violence Prevention Fund) presented to spotlight domestic violence issues, and, by motion, take action as necessary.
ACTION: Commissioner Johnson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Polanco, to approve funding for one CPVAW member to attend the conference (registration and room) in March 2012 contingent upon cancellation policies. The motion passed unanimously (Commissioner Babcock absent).
Interested in attending: Commissioners Christie, Polanco, CPVAW Coordinator. Final decision of representative will be made no later than Feb 2012 CPVAW meeting.
7. Support for “One Million Safer Kids” Campaign
Recommendation – Review information regarding Kidpower’s call to action and, by motion, take action as necessary.
ACTION: Commissioner Christie made a motion, seconded by Chair Watkins, to direct Coordinator Agnone, on behalf of CPVAW, and individual Commissioners as desired, to respond to Kidpower’s Call to Action Campaign via their website. The motion passed unanimously (Commissioner Babcock absent).
8. Funding for Kidpower and “Storytelling for Good” Video
Recommendation – Review information regarding Kidpower’s plans to work on a video with “Storytelling for Good” and, by motion, take action regarding funding level as needed.
ACTION: Commissioner Polanco made a motion, seconded by Chair Watkins, to contribute \$100.00 towards the costs of the video work being done by Kidpower and the Storytelling for Good organizations. The motion passed unanimously (Commissioner Babcock absent).

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

Commissioner Johnson announced that she recently returned from a trip to El Salvador where she works with EMU agency.

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

AD HOC COMMITTEES:

Current:

- Joint Report on Sexual Assault: Commissioners Johnson, Tobisch, Watkins
Re-established per action taken on agenda item 4
- CPVAW Art Project: Commissioners: Commissioners Watkins,

Sunset or never met – to be considered at future date

- Bars in Safe Place Network Program: Commissioners Polanco, Babcock, Christie
- Support Group for Homeless Women: Commissioners Polanco, Comstock

Standing Committee

Police Committee: Commissioners Christie, Babcock, Tobisch appointed to committee.

The next meeting was scheduled for Monday, October 17 at 5:30 pm in the courtyard conference room. Tentative schedule for future meetings: 3rd Mon of every 3 months: **The meeting scheduled for Monday, Jan. 16, 2012 falls on a holiday & must be rescheduled.**

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Coordinator Agnone attended the November 9 meeting to represent CPVAW. There was discussion about the Secure Communities Impact on DV victims & families. A graph of dv calls for 2010 was distributed for discussion.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 8, 2012 in Watsonville at the Library meeting room.

Items Initiated by Members for Future Agendas

Victims Assistance/Services at County DA office and event plans – Jan - Comstock

Engaging the Bystander Collaborations with other agencies in adapting – Jan- Comstock

Teen Dating Violence – Jan – Watkins

Art Project for April – Jan. - Comstock

Walk a Mile In her Shoes event for April – Jan – Agnone

Election of Officers/Committee membership appointments – Jan – Agnone

Presentation: UC Student Documentary – Jan - Domestic Violence

“Misrepresentation” Video – Jan – Comstock/Watkins

Occupy SC – Violence Against Women – Jan – Polanco

Adjournment The Commission for the Prevention of Violence Against Women adjourned at 8:40 pm from the regular meeting of Wednesday, December 7, 2011 to the next regular monthly meeting scheduled for January 4, 2012 at 6:45 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 809 Center Street, Santa Cruz.

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Staff: Kathy Agnone, Coordinator

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