



**Commission for the Prevention of
Violence Against Women
AGENDA
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, September 2, 2009
6:45 p.m.
City Council Chambers
809 Center Street**

Call to Order

Roll Call

Presentations - No action may be taken

Statements of Disqualification

Oral Communications - No action may be taken

Announcements - No action may be taken

Announcements by Chair:

Trailblazer Awards Invitation from County Women's Commission

Flyer for advocate training offered by Walnut Avenue Women's Center

CAP's Community Hero Nomination/Award Leonie Sherman, CPVAW self-defense teacher

Other Commission Member Announcements:

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 July 1, 2009 meeting (note: no meeting in August)

Recommendation --- Approve, by motion, the minutes from the monthly meeting of July 1, 2009 as submitted.

General Business

1. Reports regarding Domestic Violence from SCPD
Recommendation --- Accept, by motion, monthly report on Domestic Violence statistics from SCPD.
2. Quarterly reports from SCPD regarding Domestic Violence Statistics
Recommendation --- Approve, by motion, that the domestic violence statistical reports be reviewed on a quarterly basis when sexual assault statistical reports are presented to the Commission.
3. Procedures for Posting Public Alerts of Sexual Assaults
Recommendation --- That CPVAW approve, by motion, the revised procedures regarding posting of community alerts.
4. Self-defense/safety skills classes funding
Recommendation --- That CPVAW approve, by motion, the funding request submitted by CPVAW Coordinator for safety skill/self defense classes at the schools in order to schedule classes and finalize funding discussions and contracts with schools and teachers.

CPVAW Meeting of September 2, 2009

5. October – Domestic Violence Awareness Month
Recommendation --- That CPVAW approve, by motion, the plans and funding request submitted for domestic violence awareness month activities.
6. SC Neighbors' Night Out Block Party events – October 4, 2009
Recommendation --- That the Commission for the Prevention of Violence against Women approve, by motion, participation in the SC Neighbors' Block Party events scheduled on October 4, 2009.
7. Preventing Violence Against Homeless Women
Recommendation --- That CPVAW approve, by motion, the plans and funding request submitted by ad hoc committee to address the issue of violence against homeless women.
8. Approval of Revised Bylaws
Recommendation – That CPVAW approve, by motion, the revisions to the current bylaws as proposed by the ad hoc committee.
9. Engaging the Bystander workshops
Recommendation --- That CPVAW approve, by motion, the formation of an ad hoc committee to review and develop a workshop that involves bystanders and bring the curriculum forward to the full Commission for approval.
10. Feminist talks to local organizations
That the Commission for the Prevention of Violence Against Women accept by motion, quarterly discussions about gender equality and women's rights in private and public space to local organizations.

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

Distribution of curriculum materials to Santa Cruz City Schools Language Arts Departments

Commissioner King and Coordinator Agnone met with Eileen Brown, Director of Student Services and Professional Development Coordinator for SC City Schools regarding the distribution of a curriculum available from the Family Violence Prevention Fund to Santa Cruz City middle and high school Language Arts teachers.

Safe Place Network Pilot Program with the Catalyst

Hear information from CPVAW Coordinator regarding launch of pilot program with the Catalyst as an active participating business in the Safe Place Network Program.

Brochures in Medical Facilities

Hear information from CPVAW Coordinator regarding launch of program for distributing brochures and Safe Place Network program resource cards to medical offices through Dominican Medical Offices.

Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Stakeholders Roundtable Discussion

Hear information from ad hoc committee on status of discussions.

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

Ad hoc Committees

CURRENT:

Bylaws

Stakeholder Round Table Discussion for Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Service Providers

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 Meeting of September 2, 2009

CPVAW Coordinator and Commissioner King will attend the next meeting scheduled on September 9 at 5:30 pm at the SCPD Community Room.

Items Initiated by Members for Future Agendas

Adjournment The Commission for the Prevention of Violence Against Women will adjourn from the regular meeting of Wednesday, September 2, 2009 to the next meeting to be scheduled on October 7, 2009 at 6:45 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 809 Center Street, Santa Cruz.

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