



Women's Commission

County of
Santa Cruz

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Meeting Minutes

Date: January 18, 2018
Location: 701 Ocean Street, 5th Floor Personnel Large Conference Room, Santa Cruz, CA 95060
Present: Sheila De Lany, Margaret Barr, Laura Cross, Theresa Cariño, Maria Barranco, Ari Parker, Carole MacPherson
Absent: Marissa Fullum-Campbell
Excused: Melanie Martinez
Staff: Britt Harmssen, EEO Officer

- 1.0 Roll Call/ Introductions:
Meeting was convened at 6:30 pm.
- 2.0 Agenda Review:
Public Awareness updates to be listed as its own sub-committee.
- 3.0 Approval of November Minutes: Passed unanimously.
- 4.0 Correspondence:
 - a.) A statistics student expressed interest to Cariño in interning with the Commission. Staff to follow up with the student and provide her with the SOWAG Healthcare Section Data Sub-Committee's contact information.
- 5.0 Oral Communications: None.
- 6.0 Staff Report:
 - a.) Update provided regarding anticipated timeline for the current Commissions Coordinator recruitment.
- 7.0 Reports from Sub-committees:
 - 7.1 SOWAG (Status on Women and Girls) Report
 - 7.1.1 Santa Cruz County Women and Homelessness Report
 - a.) This sub-committee is focusing on partnering to organize and host a Town Hall with other organizations.
 - 7.1.2 Healthcare Section: Data Sub-committee
 - a.) The sub-committee will focus on updating the report with new data. DeLany and Fullum-Campbell will assist with reaching out to a potential intern who can help with compiling data and performing statistical analysis. Staff will monitor and oversee the intern's project.

- 7.2 Trailblazers Sub-committee Report
- a.) Parker distributed the scoring/rating sheet with criteria used to evaluate nominees and reported that the Commission received twelve nominations. Parker requested that a discussion regarding recommendations for next Trailblazers award (for example, whether to have a separate award designation for entities versus individuals and to limit nominations to one focus area) be added to a future agenda under New Business.
 - b.) Motion to award top six rated candidates identified by the sub-committee. Motion/Second: Parker/De Lany. Passed unanimously.
 - c.) Staff to draft a letter to award recipients and nominators and a press release with event details.
 - d.) March 27th Board of Supervisors meeting identified by the Commission as a potential date. The Commission will host the event during a break in the Board meeting similar to last year's event. This year, award recipients represent every District, and Commissioners agreed to present awards to recipients residing or working within their respective districts.

- 7.3 Public Awareness Sub-committee
- a.) Cross reported updates to the Commission's Facebook page, including installation of Barr as President of the Women's Council of Realtors-Santa Cruz Network for 2018, reproductive rights, and the Santa Cruz Women's March.

8.0 New Business:

8.1 Executive Committee

- a.) Motion to add Cariño and Parker to serve on the Executive Committee with Co-Chairs Cross and Fullum-Campbell. Motion/Second: DeLany/Barranco. Passed unanimously.

8.2 Updating By-laws.

- a.) Cross will work with staff to update the Commission's bylaws, and this item will appear on future agendas.

9.0 Announcements:

- a.) Barranco announced Monarch Services' annual fundraising event "#StandWithUs" to be held at the Chaminade Resort and Spa in Santa Cruz on March 1, 2018.
- b.) Cariño will attend the second Justice and Gender Task Force meeting scheduled for January 19, 2018. Commission requested to add a Task Force report as a reoccurring business item on the agenda.

10.0 Adjournment at 7:36 pm

Next Women's Commission meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2018 at the Government Building (701 Ocean Street, 5th Floor Personnel Large Conference Room, Santa Cruz, CA 95060).

Submitted,
Britt Harmssen, EEO Officer