



VENTURA COUNTY COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

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COMMISSION MEMBERS:

DISTRICT I

Diana Goodrow

J. Barron

vacancy

DISTRICT II

Lee Riggan

Suzi Caron

vacancy

DISTRICT III

Nancy Lee Phillips

Elvia Guizar

Vacancy

DISTRICT IV

Jan Lawrence

Shanté Morgan-

Durisseau

Debra Bagley

DISTRICT V

Ina Howard

Deborah De Vries

Carmen Hurd

Minutes –April 11, 2009

A regular meeting of the Ventura County Commission for Women was held in the Commission office at the Human Services Agency, 4601 Telephone Rd., Suite 201, Ventura, on Saturday, March 7, 2009.

Chair called the meeting to order at 9:23am, followed by the reading of the VCCW Mission Statement.

Commissioners present: Chair J. Barron, Carmen Hurd, Suzi Caron, Jan Lawrence, Lee Riggan, Nancy Lee Phillips, Debra Bagley and Ina Howard. Chair declared quorum was present.

Adoption of Agenda: Motion to adopt agenda was accepted.

Public Comment: Two guests came to the meeting to observe: Norma Maidel and Bell Scarano. Bell came to the commission meeting before and expressed her desires to participate and learn of future commission projects and networking with other women organizations.

Consent Calendar: Treasurer reported a \$50 check from last year was not deposited due to oversight. A replacement check was issued. Consent calendar was approved and adopted without further changes.

Correspondence/Communications:

- Email on 4/6 from National Women's History Project (NWHF) has set Thursday, April 23 as "Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work."
- Ventura County Supervisor Peter Foy has asked commissioners to oppose an emergency ordinance offered by Supervisors Bennett and Parks on Tuesday, April 14, 2009. If the ordinance passes, "no permit, zoning clearance or other county approval shall be issued for the development of any and all new assembly uses within the OS (Open Space) Zone in the unincorporated area of the County," except for applications filed before March 25th and current CUP modifications.
- Email from Autumn Mesa who attended the Ventura County Women's Expo sent message to know about future meetings of VCCW and other networking organizations. Schedule of commission meeting was sent to Ms. Mesa.
- 2009 Family Resource Center Teleconference.

Discussion/Information items:

- N. Phillips suggested to seriously looking into a discussion of re-structuring the project planning table format, and an in-depth evaluation of focus by starting from scratch. Instead of the original approach to a more focus issue. However, the regular annual events should remain on the calendar of activities for the commission. A subcommittee composed of: J. Barron, N. Phillips, L. Riggan, S. Durisseau and D. Bagley will work on framework for next meeting discussion.
- Advisory Board guidelines was tabled
- A reminder from J. Barron about meeting attendance. The issue will be an action agenda item next meeting to find out the advisability of having the monthly meeting

at a different day and time to accommodate the schedules of commissioners that are still gainfully employed and attending other board meetings.

Action Items:

- Census Partnership project - tabled for information from S. Durisseau.
- CAWA & ACCW - tabled to see if additional or new member can attend as representative of VCCW –good experience for new & other commissioners.
- J. Barron brought public comment timeline format from BOS. The suggested time of five minutes (cumulative) seemed too long for commission purpose. N. Phillips suggested changing the allotted time to three minutes per speaker. D. Bagley concurs with three minutes is sufficient time to allow the commission to conduct business. Will revisit the issue next meeting for comments from other commissioners.

Committee Reports:

- J. Barron suggested for subcommittee for "Status of Women Report" to meet before the next meeting. Members are: J. Barron, L. Riggan, D. Goodrow, E. Guizar, D. DeVries and C. Hurd
- I. Howard and C. Hurd reported a productive meeting with Supervisor Zaragoza and his Chief of Staff Stan Hakes. Mr. Zaragoza was very enthusiastic in the outreach program of the commission, particularly, in the assessment needs and educational programs. He expressed desire to attend commission meetings.
- Meeting guest, Bell Scarano spoke about learning networking from the Women's Expo panel and prompted her to attend commission meeting as an observer.
- J. Lawrence suggested recognizing S. Durisseau for coordinating the Women's Expo Panel, and volunteered to work on the proclamation.
- N. Phillips requested for commissioners who are not using the commission email address to let her know, so she can delete their names. The password becomes invalid when not being used.
- Update from J. Barron from Naomi Ackerman confirming Saturday, October 17 for "Flowers Aren't Enough" show. Extra DVD if anyone is interested. Subcommittee co-chairs, S. Caron and E. Guizar will report on planning with other committee members.
- J. Barron suggested to look into the BOS Agenda for topics relevant to women and girls, and to contact supervisors regarding email newsletter.

Commissioner Announcements:

- D. Bagley announcement of Mothers Day celebration at "Gardens of the World" in Thousand Oaks. If looking for a nice place to take someone special, she suggested to visiting Gardens of the World.

Meeting adjourned: 11:15am

- **Next meeting:** 9:00am, May 2, 2009 at the Commission Office, Ventura

Approved as: Printed: _____ Corrected: _____

Carmen S. Hurd, Secretary

VCCW - ATTENDANCE

April 11, 2009

<u>Commissioners</u>		<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
1. Janet Barron	P	10	8	
2. Suzi Caron	P			\$ 5.00
3. Debbie DeVries	A			
4. S. M. Durisseau	A			
5. Diana Goodrow	A			
6. Elvia Guizar	A			
7. Ina Howard	P	30	3	10.00
8. Carmen S. Hurd	P	12	7	5.00
9. Jan Lawrence	P	80	6	35.00
10. Nancy Lee Phillips	P	30	6	
11. Lee Riggan	P	60	5	30.00
12. Debra Bagley	P			
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Total	8	222	35	85.00