

VENTURA COUNTY COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

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MINUTES

November 6, 2004
Senior Nutrition Center
2220 Ventura Blvd.
Camarillo, CA

1. Call to Order by Chairperson Goodrow at 9:20 a.m.
2. Roll Call:

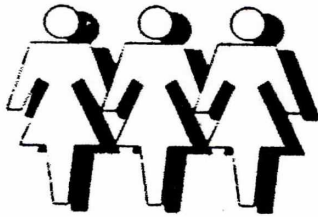
P Cecilia Fargo	A Lyndsay Heitmann	P Cynthia Hollister
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A Elizabeth Wagner	P Jan Lawrence	P Ruth Ann McAllister
P Bonnie Warrington	P Nancy Lee Phillips	
3. Reordering of Agenda: Reordered to discuss possibility of male commissioner
4. Public Comment: None
5. Consent Calendar:

Commissioners Lawrence and Fargo made corrections to the minutes of September 4, 2004 as follows:

Replace 501(3)(c) with 501(c)(3)

Item 8B: Replace United Nations Day with United Nations Association Council.

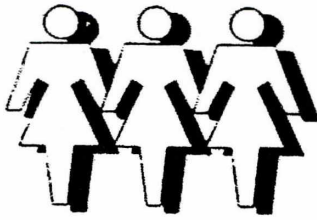
Approval of October 2, 2004 minutes, with corrections as noted. Minutes accepted.
6. Order of Business
 1. Treasurer's Report: Bank ending balance for September 30, 2004 was reported to be \$440.97.
 2. Incoming Mail Report: (on file) presented by Commissioner Goodrow:
 3. Incoming Calls: Commissioner Goodrow returned all calls providing the information and/or referrals.
7. Old Business
 - A. Web page: Commissioner Hollister reported that she has spoken with Mark Bradshaw at the County IT Dept, who told her that the server that houses the Commission website is down and they are working on it. Commissioner Hollister will check again during coming week and Commissioner Goodrow will follow up with other sources.



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- B. Brochure: Commissioners discussed modifications to be made to the brochure. Commissioner Lawrence will incorporate them and email the revised brochure.
 - C. 501(3)(c): Commissioner Lawrence has spoken with Community Partners and explained to the other Commissioners how Community Partners goes about selecting, each month, a project to fund. The Commissioners agreed that the first project that should be selected for support is the Siblings of Teen Parents Program of the County's Adolescent Family Life Program, which was dropped ten months ago because of the county budget cuts. It was agreed that Commissioner Lawrence would contact Nikki Steele to define and discuss the feasibility of the project. Next steps would be to submit those findings to the Commissioners, then County Legal, then Supervisors, then Community Partners. It was agreed that we need to actively recruit people for 'Friends of the Commission'.
 - D. Possibility of including a man on the Commission: After discussion, Commissioner Lawrence made a motion and Commissioner Hollister seconded, to make sure there is a clear understanding that gender is not an issue when appointing a new commissioner.
 - E. Discussion of commissioner's attendance.
 - F. Women's History Month (March 2005): Computer discs from Commissioner Love. Commissioner Hollister will make a copy and then return them to Commissioner McAllister. Looking for tools to aide in the awareness of women in history. Distribution to libraries looks like best avenue.
 - G. WEJP – Voter registration programs were very successful.
 - H. Newsletter: Commissioner Hollister will put together a rough draft for the next meeting. Items should be of general interest, not necessarily time-related.
 - I. First Five and NFL: Claudia Harris, Executive Director of First Five, asks to remain in the loop.
 - J. VCCC (Ventura County Community Commission): no contact yet.
 - K. Review Plan of Action: Commissioners agree that items are progressing, although behind on website and newsletter
8. New Business:
- A. Child Support Services: Commissioner Warrington will provide more information in January 2005.
 - B. Women's Summit Report: Commissioner Fargo discussed October 23, 2004 United Nations Day, presented by the United Nations Association of Ventura County. This year's theme was "Women's Rights and Empowerment".
 - C. Future summit: Discussion; either 9a.m. to noon or an evening; Commissioners should bring to next meeting ideas of people to participate in the summit. Possible topics: concern about not being represented, awareness of fund-jeopardizing programs. Maybe write letters to some organizations to encourage interest or use an "invitation" approach for getting people to participate. Commissioners Howard and Goodrow will work together on this.
 - D. CAWA & CCSW event
 - E. Governor's Conference on Women and Families, Tuesday, December 7, 2004 at the Long Beach Convention Center, 8:00a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Many well-known speakers; tickets \$125. each.
 - F. Next meeting date: Commissioner Warrington moved and Commissioner Phillips seconded – move meeting to December 11.
9. Commissioners Discussion and Announcements
- A. RRN (Reproductive Rights Network): next meeting Tuesday night, November 9. Meets one time per month in Camarillo.



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- B. World Affairs Council – Commissioners Fargo and Goodrow attended. Charlotte Ponticelli from the State Department spoke about women in Afganistan. Next meeting, Elton Gallegly and Keith Richmond will be the speakers.
- C. It was noted that since the December 11th meeting will be our 'Christmas' meeting, Commissioners are encouraged to bring treats and sweets.

10. Check out and Adjournment: 11:55 a.m.

11. Next meeting December 11, 2004 at 9:00a.m., 2220 Ventura Blvd., Camarillo, Ca.

12. Commissioners' Mileage/Hours/ Expense Report- October 2004

Jan Lawrence	60/30/\$20
Diana Goodrow	180/45/\$200
Bonnie Warrington	150/45/\$0
Ruth Ann McAllister	20/5/\$17
Ina Howard	15/3/\$0
Cynthia Hollister	15/6/\$0
Cecilia Fargo	60/10/\$0
Nancy Lee Phillips	5/3/\$0

Guest: Deborah Steele

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Hollister