

**MINUTES
COUNTY OF SONOMA
COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN – REGULAR MEETING**

Thursday, January 13, 2022

6.00PM

Virtual

Commissioners Present:

First District: Jan Blalock (Chair), Dianna MacDonald, Joanne M. Brown

Second District: Katie Gordon (Officer-at-Large), Caitlin Quinn

Third District: Ofra Isler, Lorena Barrera*

Fourth District: Angélica Núñez*, Marta Cruz-Concepción

Fifth District: Ariana Diaz De Leon

Commissioners Absent:

Fifth District: Jessica Wood (Vice Chair)

Third District: Amber Lucas (On Leave of Absence)

*Commissioner Barrera arrived approximately at 6:58PM

*Commissioner Núñez left early approximately at 7:30PM

Meeting held through publicly available link via Zoom Meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at approximately 6:01PM. Roll call was conducted by the Chair.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Chair Blalock read the land acknowledgement.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS

No members of the public addressed the commission.

4. PRESENTATION

Brian Staebell, the Chief Deputy District Attorney presented on issues of human trafficking in Sonoma County. Labor trafficking and pimping and pandering are the two major human trafficking issues that Sonoma County face. He started off his presentation with sharing different perspectives that people have about human trafficking. He then shared examples of cases he and his office encounter and have prosecuted. Brian Staebell ended his presentations with providing resources and name of organizations that can help individuals in human trafficking situations.

5. APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 4, 2021 MEETING MINUTES

Motion: Commissioner Quinn

Ayes: 6

Noes: 0

Second: Commissioner Gordon

Absent: 3

Abstained: 3

Commissioner Lucas (on leave) and Vice-Chair Wood were absent. Commissioner Barrera arrived late. Commissioner Núñez, Cruz-Concepción, and MacDonald abstained. Motion passed.

6. OFFICER REPORTS AND ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

- a. Chair Blalock reported for Commissioner Wood that there's a speaker set-up for next month. Commissioner Cruz also had a speaker, Colleen Halbohm from Cherry Creek Housing Project in Cloverdale.
- b. Chair Blalock announced Commissioner Diaz De Leon is leaving the commission. This was her last meeting she will be attending. She will still help out with the Junior Commission Program until the 2021-2022 program ends.
- c. Commissioner Gordon updated the commission on CEDAW Resolution and announced an attentive date for February 8, 2022.

7. COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Commissioner Brown reported on her participation on the Countywide Housing Committee for the purpose of doing public outreach with the housing element. She is pushing a couple of items to that agenda and encouraged commissioners to email her of any other items.
- b. Commissioner Cruz-Concepción held coffee with the Mayor with Supervisor Gore and addressed many services for aging adults, particularly women.

8. OPENINGS AND APPOINTMENTS

- a. Chair Blalock reported openings in the 2nd, 4th and 5th Districts.

9. BUSINESS ITEMS

- b. Chair Blalock lead the discussion in regards to the changes to CSW schedule and timeline due to compliance with the Brown Act

Chair Blalock presented the different options for CSW schedule

Option A: Strategic planning every 2 years

Option B: Strategic planning annually

Chair Blalock presented the proposed timeline

April-Nomination

May-Election

June-Strategic Planning Meeting

July- Work Plans and Budget Presented

All the commissioners supported the timeline.

Commissioner MacDonald and Brown like the long term- strategic planning biannually. Commissioner Quinn, Gordon, Isler and Cruz supported the annually planning

There was motion to meet annually for strategic planning.

challenge.

- b. Human Trafficking Task Force has their billboard up in Rohnert Park and have had different events. Chair Blalock reported that they will not have a film this year, they will host a panel discussion instead.
- c. The Legislative Advisory Group didn't have anything to report.
- d. Chair Blalock didn't have anything to report for National Association of Commissions for Women (NACW).
- e. Commissioner Wood was not present to report for YWCA

12. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT COMMISSION MEETING

- a. Think about agenda items for February meeting.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:12PM