

County of Riverside
Commission for Women
4080 Lemon Street, 5th Floor
Conference Room C
Riverside, CA 92501

Minutes February 16, 2006

Meeting began at 9:10 a.m.

In Attendance:

Christine Murphy, Chair – District 4
Lori Stone-Rubin, Vice Chair – District 3
Cherie Curzon – District 1
Eileen Fry-Bowers – District 1
Caroline Epperson – District 2
Martha Minkler – District 3
Ennette Nusbaum – District 5
Fonda McGensy – District 5
Jana Roush – CEO Liaison

Absent:

Lisa M. Pina, Secretary – District 2
Coby Webb – District 4

Guests:

Robert C. Johnson, Director, County of Riverside Planning Department
Kaye Howell, Secretary, County of Riverside Planning Department
Jayson Ward, Urban Regional Planner III, County of Riverside Planning Department

Actions taken:

- Review of November 30, 2005, Minutes
Motion: Ennette Nusbaum
2nd: Fonda McGensy
Discussion: None
Result: Approved

- Review of January 19, 2006, Minutes
Motion: Caroline Epperson
2nd: Cherie Curzon
Discussion: None
Result: Approved

- Review of Form 11 for Proposed Commission for Women Logo
Motion: Martha Minkler
2nd: Fonda McGensy
Discussion: The Commission will seek approval from the Board of Supervisors for the use of the logo.
Result: Approved

County of Riverside Planning Department:

- Robert Johnson gave a presentation on the County's General Plan Amendment – Riverside County Growth Management Strategy; the "Constitution" for land use in the County. There are 1.8 million people living in Riverside County, with 90,000 new residents just in the last year. Mr. Johnson stated that we are no longer considered a rural county, and we are fast becoming an urban county. The Planning Department is currently rewriting the County's Zoning Ordinance. The last one was done in 1948. There will be a General Plan Amendment update in 2008. Mr. Johnson said that the Housing Authority is coming back to the Planning Department in January 2007. Affordable housing will be addressed. The lack of adequate Day Care is a huge issue in Riverside County. He invited the Commission for Women to give their input. The General Plan can be accessed online at www.RCIP.org.
- Eileen will look into statistics on Single Parent Households. Cherie will look into statistics with First 5. Fonda will contact EDA for statistics on Single Household rapes and assaults.

Next Commission Open House and Future Events:

- The Commission will hold an Open House at the County Administrative Center (CAC) in Riverside on May 11, from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., with a luncheon directly following. Cherie offered to contact First 5 and ask them to sponsor the luncheon and provide a speaker. Ennette will check into advertising the event with the Press.
- Erin Runnion is scheduled to speak at the SafeHouse Open House and Art Show on March 18. The event will be held from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at 9685 Hayes Street, in Riverside. Commissioners were encouraged to attend.
- There was discussion about sponsoring Erin Runnion at the Barbara Sinatra Children's Center for Child Abuse event that will be held next spring. Lori felt our name and logo adds value to events. The commissioners agreed that the philosophy of the Commission for Women is that we promote organizations and resources that advocate women's issues. Lori and Caroline will work on policy and procedure guidelines in relation to this.
- The Sheriff's "Safe Kids" event will be held on Sunday, March 26, at the Palm Desert Civic Center Park. Cherie will contact Valerie Hill at the Sheriff's Department to see if it would be okay for the Commission to have a table at the event. Commissioner Webb, representing the Sheriff's Department will be there with her bloodhound, Maggie.
- Martha will contact Jim Dominoe and ask him to give a presentation on gang issues at the April Commission meeting. She will also ask for materials for the commissioners to review ahead of time.

CFW Logo – Form 11 / Shirts / Table Sign / Banner:

- Should the Board of Supervisors approve the new CFW logo at their February 28 Board meeting, the Commission would like to move forward with the purchase of a table sign and/or table banners, 1,000 pens and 1,000 post-it notes to use as give-aways at events, and shirts for the commissioners and staff. The colors the

commissioners chose to use were a white background with a purple logo. Eileen stated that purple is the color of transformation.

- It was noted that three bids would be required prior to making any purchases. There was a consensus that the Commission would like to use local vendors. Cherie offered to check with RKR Associates, a company she had been working with on another project, for bids on customized pens and post-its. Jana will check with two other vendors. Lori and Jana will work on the banners. Lori suggested that the Commission's Mission Statement be included on the table sign.

Current/Upcoming Legislation:

- Ennette receives legislation from two sites. She will forward the links to the other commissioners.
- Caroline also receives updates from two sites and will forward the links to the other commissioners.
- Eileen offered to update the commissioners on legal issues that are related to our mission.
- Lori reported on the lobbying she did in Washington, D.C. for the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. She is putting a packet together for all of the commissioners.

Announcements:

- Eileen brought everyone a Red Dress lapel pin (the symbol of women's heart health) to help promote awareness of heart disease in women.
- Cherie announced that the Riverside YWCA is holding a "Leave a Legacy" event on Wednesday, March 15, from 7:30-8:30 a.m. She invited everyone to attend the free breakfast.
- Cherie also announced that the Riverside Rape Crisis Center's Annual Dinner and Auction will be held on May 6, and costs \$125 per person.
- Lori announced that Jeff Stone, 3rd District Supervisor, is sponsoring a 5K Race at Mt. San Jacinto College on April 28, 2007.

Other:

- No other business was discussed.

Next Meeting:

- Commission Meeting, March 16, 2006, 9:00 a.m., County Administrative Center, 5th Floor Annex.

Adjournment:

- Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.



COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

*Christine Murphy
Chairman*

**MEETING ATTENDANCE
FY 2005/06**

COMMISSIONERS	Jul	Sep	Oct	Nov	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Chris Murphy	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Lori Stone-Rubin	X	X	X	O	O	X				
Lisa Pina	X	X	X	X	X	O				
Caroline Epperson	X	O	X	X	X	X				
Martha Minkler	X	O	O	X	✓	X				
Coby Webb	-	X	❖	X	O	O				
Cherie Curzon	-	-	-	X	X	X				
Eileen Fry-Bowers	-	-	-	X	X	X				
Ennette Nusbaum	-	-	-	X	X	X				
Fonda McGensy	-	-	-	-	X	X				
Jacke Green	O	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ina Creekbaum	X-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

- X = Present**
- O = Excused absence**
- ❖ = Missed meeting due to technical difficulties**
- ✓ = Unexcused absence**
- / = No meeting held due to the lack of a quorum**
- = Not a member at this time**

11/30/05: The Commissioners agreed that an "excused" absence is an absence that is planned with advanced notice such as a pre-planned vacation or work related meeting or a medical emergency, and that an "unexcused" absence is one that is a last minute absence not related to a medical emergency.