

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

Minutes May 18, 2006

Meeting began at 9:09 a.m.

In Attendance:

Christine Murphy, Chair – District 4 (via video-teleconference in Palm Desert)  
Lisa M. Piña, Secretary – District 2  
Cherie Curzon – District 1  
Eileen Fry-Bowers – District 1  
Caroline Epperson – District 2  
Coby Webb – District 4 (via video-teleconference in Palm Desert)  
Martha Minkler – District 3  
Ennette Nusbaum – District 5  
Fonda McGensy – District 5  
Jana Roush – CEO Liaison

Absent:

Lori Stone-Rubin, Vice Chair – District 3

Guests:

Captain Jim Domenoe from the Riverside County Sheriff's Department was unable to attend the Commission meeting due to a family medical emergency. Captain Domenoe will be invited to attend the September 2006 Commission meeting.

Minutes:

The minutes of April 20, 2006, were reviewed and approved.

Actions taken:

- Review of April 20, 2006, Minutes
- Motion: Cherie Curzon  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Fonda McGensy  
Discussion: None  
Result: Approved

Current/Upcoming Legislation:

- Eileen Fry-Bowers reported that California Senate Bill 1955 may not go to the Senate for vote because there is some conflict between the State law and federal law. The issue in Bill 1955 relates to what health insurance will be mandated to cover. State groups, including the Women's Law Center, are against this bill because small businesses may receive insurance incentives (as a result of Bill 1955) by lowering the required healthcare coverage.
- Christine Murphy provided the Commissioners with a copy of the "Women and Aging" report sponsored by the Riverside County Foundation on Aging.

#### Commission Logo:

- The Commission's logo committee will meet with Yvonne Herrera, Sheriff's Graphics Arts Illustrator, at Ben Clark Training Center (BCTC) to develop alternative logo designs.

#### Commission for Women June 2006 Retreat:

- Christine announced that the Commission's planning retreat would be held on Thursday, June 8, 2006, 9:00 a.m., at the Palm Springs Desert Resorts Convention and Visitor's Authority in Rancho Mirage, located at 70-100 Highway 111, Rancho Mirage.
- Christine said that Jana Roush would make a list of issues for the retreat and suggested that the Commissioners forward any items they wish to discuss to Jana.

#### Association of California Commissions for Women (ACCW) Retreat Discussion:

- Christine said that the hotel room rates she received were far too expensive, but that she would keep looking for better rates. There was some discussion about hosting the event at the Pechanga hotel and conference center as well as discussion at the Spa Casino in Palm Springs. Christine advised that the Commission would need to book general guest speakers but that the ACCW would book the breakout speakers. Christine suggested several speakers such as Assemblywoman Bonnie Garcia, Congresswoman Mary Bono, and Ms. Erin Runnion.
- Christine said that the dates of the retreat have not been confirmed, but suggested dates include August 9, 10, 11 and 12, 2006.
- Christine also suggested that the Commission put together "goodie bags" for the event comprised of donated "goodies."

#### Commission for Women Budget:

- The Commissioners reviewed the current budget report dated May 17, 2006.

#### New Business:

- Christine announced the formation of the Commission's nominating committee. The nominating committee will be comprised of Fonda, Eileen and Coby Webb. Committee recommendations will be forwarded to the full Commission for final disposition.
- Christine announced the formation of the Commission's website committee. The website committee will be comprised of Martha and Eileen, and the committee will review all applications from agencies' seeking to be linked to the Commission's website. The committee will bring forth recommendations to the full Commission for final disposition.

#### Old Business:

- Christine announced that she would draft the Commission's annual report to the Board of Supervisors.
- Christine reminded Eileen, Cherie, and Fonda about providing the Commission with statistics on single parent households, assaults and child immunization for Riverside County, for the Commissions recommendations to the Planning Department on the County's 2008 General Plan Amendment update.

#### Correspondence:

- None

Announcements:

- Eileen announced that she is now a law school graduate!

Other:

- None

Next Meeting:

- Commission Planning Retreat, Thursday, June 8, 2006, 9:00 a.m., at the Palm Springs Desert Resorts Convention and Visitor's Authority in Rancho Mirage, located at 70-100 Highway 111, Rancho Mirage.
- Commission Meeting, Thursday, July 20, 9:00 a.m., County Administrative Center, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Annex

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.