

County of Riverside
Commission for Women
4080 Lemon Street-5th Floor
Riverside, CA 92501

Minutes for February 28, 2008 @ 9:00 a.m.

Meeting began at 9:05a.m.

Present:

Lori Stone, Chair – District 3
Lisa Pina, Vice Chair – District 2
Eileen Fry-Bowers – District 1
Cherie Curzon – District 1
Carol Lynn Anderson – District 2
Michelle Broad – District 3
Evelyn Brown – District 4 – via Video Conference
Lynn Stalmaster-Nobles – District 4 – via Video Conference
Jana Roush – CEO Liaison

No absences.

Guests:

Lillie Murvine – Family Planning, Priscilla Webster, Riverside County Department of Public Health, Linda Starr (via video conference)

Program: Priscilla Webster, Public Health Program Chief for Maternal Child Adolescent Health and Family Planning/Teen Pregnancy Prevention Programs at Riverside County Department of Public Health

Family Planning Program – DOPH sends nurses to WIC sites for nutrition, birth control, education, etc. They see women and children for free because of Federal Funding. The sites are safe places for teens to go and talk to a nurse. They serve 20,000 women and 4,000 to 6,000 teens, including 2,000 to 3,000 young men. Teen pregnancy is on the decline in Riverside County. Other programs offered: A special program for African-American women; a program for African-American men “Role Man,” emphasizing the role as father in the family; program for pregnant teens so they have healthy pregnancies and babies and to finish high school; and a program for drug/substance abuse pregnant women. 46% of women are underserved regarding healthcare and 56% of teens.

Resignation: Commissioner Fonda McGensy submitted her resignation from the Commission with regrets.

Public Comments: none

Approval of Action Items:

Minutes of November 29, 2007 and January 24, 2008 – Lori Stone motioned that they be tabled. Eileen Fry-Bowers second. Motion carried.

June 19, 2008, Public Hearing (Press Release/ Sign-up Sheet). Motion to proceed by Lori Stone. Second by Cherie Curzon. Motion passed.

Bylaw Revisions – none

Name Badges/ Lapel Pins – designs – Jana Roush provided the Commissioners with samples. Commissioners provided input about modifications.

Open House Expo & Luncheon (Luncheon Menu Selections and Budget) – The commissioners selected two entrées from the Old Spaghetti Factory menu; the Spinach & Cheese Ravioli with Tomato Sauce (vegetarian), and the Spaghetti with Meat Sauce. A preliminary budget was discussed. Linda Starr stated that regrettably she wasn't able to get a sponsor for this event from the Desert. Lori Stone made the motion and Lisa Pina second.

Outreach Gift: Business Card Holders – Michelle Broad is still working on getting a sponsor to offset the cost of this item. Lori Stone motioned that we get 500. Lisa Pina second.

Retractable Banner Stand: Lori Stone presented an estimate to the Commission on what the cost will be. The Commission wants two retractable stands with 31.5" by 84" full color retractable banner stands with 2 additional banner inserts. Lori Stone made the motion to move forward with costs not to exceed \$1,000. Lisa Pina second.

Volunteer Application: The proposed volunteer application was presented to the Commission by Eileen Fry-Bowers. Changes were suggested. Eileen will revise the form and bring it back to the next commission meeting.

Reformation of Commission Committee Assignments: Legislation – Eileen Fry-Bowers Chair, committee members Cherie Curzon, Carol Lynn Anderson. Events – Cherie Curzon, Chair, committee members Evelyn Brown and Carol Lynn Anderson. PR/Marketing – Michelle Broad, Chair, Lisa Pina and Lori Stone. Finance – Carol Lynn Anderson, Chair. Lori Stone is an ex-officio member of all committees. Lori Stone motioned and Eileen Fry-Bowers second.

Meeting Venues: Commissioner Evelyn Brown motioned that the Commission meet in different Districts at least once a quarter. Second by Lynn Stalmaster-Nobles. Discussion about this was the fact that several of the Commissioners and the CEO Liaison, work full-time in or near the County Seat and that moving the meetings to other locations would cause them to be away from work an entire day instead of a couple hours when driving time and traffic were factored into the equation. When the vote was taken, there were 2 ayes and 6 nays. Motion denied.

Committee Reports:

P.R./Marketing Committee, Ennette Nusbaum, Chair. No report as she was absent.

Legislation Committee, Eileen Fry-Bowers, Chair

Provided update on Legislation.

Provided update on June Public Hearings-Event is scheduled for June 19, 2008.

Application is posted on the website. Will start a series of press releases each

month until June. Lori Stone would like to have a court reporter there to document the proceedings.

Provided update on September 29 Annual Luncheon and Symposium – wants Mary Parks as the moderator.

Health Care Reform – the governors did not pass.

Events Committee, Cherie Curzon, Chair

Open House at the County Administrative Center is scheduled for April 8, 2008.

We need to send out invitations. Outstanding Woman of the Year will be honored at that event.

Open House in the Desert Area – Will get with Evelyn Brown and Lynn Stalmaster Nobles.

CEO Liaison Comments: Handouts: Copies of Response Letters

County IT billing for Hosting Commission Website – \$69.20 a month.

Chair Comments – None

Vice-Chair Comments – None

Secretary Comments:

Correspondence – Resignation of Fonda McGensy

Commissioners Comments on their current projects/issues: American Hear Advocacy –

Eileen Fry-Boweres. Women's Symposium in the First District – Eileen Fry-Bowers.

Supervisor Bob Buster, the two Commissioners from the First District and Trilogy are hosting a Women's Symposium on March 1, 2008 from 10:00am to 2:00pm at the Trilogy Center in the Temescal Valley.

Adjournment at 11:20 a.m.

“We must open new doors for women. But above all we must see that those doors remain open”

Margarita Zavala

First Lady of Mexico