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MINUTES
October 5, 2020
Virtual Meeting,
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Leah Goodwin: Meeting was called to order at 12:04 pm

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2 the San Diego County Commission on the Status of Women will conduct a meeting at the above time and place for the purpose of transacting or discussing business as identified on this agenda.

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1. Commissioner Roll Call

Members Present: Debbie Barbano, Dr. Rebecca Boyce, Colleen Dillaway, Leah Goodwin, Parisa Ijadi-Maghsoodi, Dr. Hei-ock Kim, Sherry Ludwig, Diana Schmid Tiana Uribe, Melinda Vasquez

2. **Members Absent:** none
3. **Welcome to Visitors:** Shamine Linton, Founder of Sharia's Closet (provides emergency clothing for people in need) Closet, Holly Herring, homeless outreach worker with County of San Diego, HHSA – BHS (state certification for sexual assault, domestic violence, crisis intervention counselor, trauma specialist, works with law enforcement for trafficking)
4. **Approval of Minutes** – September 7, 2020, Diana Schmid motioned to approve, Tiana Uribe seconded with all in favor
5. **Public Comments** -- Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Commission on any subject matter within the Commission's jurisdiction that is **not** an item on today's agenda. See NOTE below.
6. **Special Presentation:** Shamine Linton
Sharia's Closet – provides care packages for individuals (case managers make assessments), considered the 911 for emergency clothing
 - Cater to everyone such as victims of sex trafficking and homelessness
 - Last month served 300 individuals
 - Since 2013 served over 11,000 personalized packages for people with handwritten notes of hope
 - Located at 6244 El Cajon Blvd, suite #5, San Diego, CA 92115- drop off's Saturday 11-3pm, organizations can pick up on behalf of their clients on Thursday's 12-5pm, <https://www.shariascloset.org/>
 - Donations accepted for men's clothing, hygiene products and new undergarments for women and men
 - Work directly with 54 different social services agencies, case managers submit requests on behalf of their clients
 - October 14,2020, through end of November – Stories of Gratitude will be shared
 - Fundraiser taking place on November 14, 2020
7. **Initiative Reports:**
 - **Human Trafficking:** Dr. Rebecca Boyce
 - Community Sub-Committee meeting Thursday, 10/15/20, they are working on a new project placing recipes into food packages with information on where you can call if being sex trafficked, to be implemented soon with food banks
 - Massage parlor outreach on hold for now until further notice due to COVID
 - Attended via zoom the 2nd UN General Assembly Survival Town Hall

– put on by Amanda Nguyen, Terry Cruz speaker

- **Violence Against Women & Girls:** Tiana Uribe
- CCS is hosting a series of Virtual Workshops
- TDV Tools and Resources
- Sent out October 2020 Domestic Violence Month Calendar of Events
- Healthy Teen Relationship Classes

- **Homelessness:** Sherry Ludwig
- Sherry provided the Commission with an update on [Operation Shelter to Home](#), the shelter program for unhoused residents which the City launched in response to COVID-19. In the coming weeks, City staff will present a funding proposal to continue the program through the end of the year. By that time, the City could have potentially closed escrow on two hotels. The 332 units would be used as permanent supportive housing for people experiencing homelessness. A proposal to purchase the hotels is scheduled to be presented to the Council in October.

- **Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women CEDAW:** Parisa Ijadi-Maghsoodi
- Regarding the local CEDAW ordinance, since the last meeting, Leah and Parisa have communicated with Attorney Elliott’s Office and Councilmember Montgomery’s Office. Councilmember Montgomery’s Office will be setting up a meeting to provide comments, suggestions, and feedback on the draft pending with Councilmember Bry’s Office, including advocating for the replacement of the word “prostitute”.
- Regarding a County CEDAW ordinance, Supervisor Fletcher's Policy Advisor Sarah Dawe attended the last Commission meeting, and we will be working with her on a County ordinance after the election.
- On September 29, Parisa attended; 45 Years of Inspiring an Equal Future: CEDAW Women's Human Rights Awards Virtual Celebration and Auction -- FRIENDS of the Commission on the Status of Women held an inspirational evening honoring exceptional women and allies who are helping the San Francisco Bay Area community to further efforts in creating gender equity and empowering women and girls. Proceeds benefited the Public Policy Fellowship Program and the Equal Pay Initiative - aimed at closing the gender wage gap by offering salary negotiation workshops designed for women. For a list of this year's honorees, please visit friendscosw.org/cedaw

8. Committee Reports

- **District Outreach/Marketing;** Leah Goodwin
 - A discussion around marketing efforts included should the Commission create a newsletter and be pro-active about communicating with people who are interested. Sherry suggested a student intern and working with the County News Center.
 - It was agreed that Commissioners should feel free to send articles directly to each other via e mail, to keep informed on issues and events.
 - It was decided to put together an Annual Report for 2020. Colleen

Dillaway and Diana Schmidt agreed to help. All commissioners to write a paragraph about the work this year.

- In the Future we can work with Cox Communications to create a PSA to promote the Symposium and our work.
- **Kim Center:** Dr. Hei-ock Kim
- **Women's Hall of Fame:** Dr. Becka Boyce and Leah Goodwin, Co- Chairs. The plan is to work with the Women's Museum to create the virtual event in March of 2021. Need another co-chair to replace Leah Goodwin.
- **5th Annual Symposium:** Leah Goodwin, need a chair to replace Leah Goodwin
Postponed to May 1, 2021 and approved by Qualcomm partner
Exhibits: Rebecca Boyce

Commission Website Update: Debbie Barbano, Chair

9. OLD BUSINESS:

- **2020 Meetings:** November 2, December 7.
PLEASE NOTE WHEN MEETINGS FALLS ON SECOND MONDAY OF MONTH.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- **Ethics Training**
Strategic Planning Session – November 14, 2020, 10-12pm, via zoom.
- **Other:**
- There be no further business, this meeting is closed at 1:35 PM.

NOTE: The Commission on the Status of Women and Girls jurisdiction is established by action of the Board of Supervisors as follows: The Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego declares that it is the policy of the County to take action to identify needs and problems of women in the County that are affected by public policy decisions; and furthermore, to eliminate the practice of discrimination and prejudice on the basis of sex within the County. In order to promote this policy and to provide an open forum for discussion and action, there is hereby established a San Diego County Commission on the Status of Women in the Chief Administrative Office. County Code of Administrative Ordinances, Section 85.