

# SAN DIEGO COUNTY COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

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Angela Harris

### District 2, Jacob

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### District 5, Horn

Sherry Ludwig

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### Members At-Large

Elizabeth Knowles

Leanne Taylor

### Staff Assistant

Rachel Weber

### Student Intern

Tiffany Yang

## Minutes

May 6, 2015 – 5:00 – 6:30 PM

### **Jenni Prisk: Meeting called to order at 5:02 PM**

1. **Members Present:** Jenni Prisk (Chair), Sherry Ludwig (Vice Chair), Rupa Singh (Vice Chair), Rachel Cano, Clarissa Reyes Falcon, Angela Harris, Elizabeth Knowles, Leanne Taylor, Tiffany Yang (student intern)
2. **Welcome to Visitors:** Diana Schmid, Kathy Brown, Tara Jeyaratnam, Cindy Dumas (Safe Kids International), Lashaun Weever, Damon Dumas, Donna Kuge
3. **April 1, 2015 Minutes:** Motion by Sherry Ludwig – Approve April Minutes, Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>: Rachel Cano (Abstain: Jenni Prisk, Clarissa Reyes Falcon, Angela Harris, Elizabeth Knowles) – approved
4. **Public Comments:**
  - Cindy Dumas:
    - Request for the Commission to establish a committee specific to advocating for women’s rights in the court system
    - Would like to have the opportunity for two way dialogue with the Commissioners
    - Gender inequality effects all three of the CSW initiatives
    - Applied to become a Commissioner in District 2. Jenny Donaldson has also applied to become a Commissioner.
  - Lashaun Weever:
    - Spoke to the issues surrounding gender inequality through her own testimony and agreeing with Cindy Dumas’ request for the CSW to help with the court issues
  - Damon Dumas:
    - Spoke about his personal experience and that of other youth whose lives are being destroyed by gender inequality
  - Donna Kuge:
    - Commented on the Commission’s remarks that the issue of gender inequality is too big for the Commission to tackle – she believes it needs someone to lead the efforts (Cindy Dumas)

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## **Public Comments (Continued)**

- **Commission Response to Public Comments:**

- Angela Harris – recommends that the Commission ask legal counsel review the issue
- Clarissa Reyes Falcon – suggests Safe Kids International look into legislation or policy surrounding the issue
- Sherry Ludwig & Jenni Prisk – encourage Safe Kids International to address the BOS at a Board Meeting
- Jenni Prisk – Request for Cindy Dumas to send a report to the Commission and the Commissioners will seek legal counsel

## **5. Initiative Committee Reports:**

- **Homelessness**

- Sherry, Leanne, and Rachel will put together a PowerPoint for June ACCW meeting:
  - Sherry – Address wrap around services
  - Leanne – Provide statistics
  - Rachel – Legislation & funding
- Sherry invited Amanda Yeram (Blue Star Families) to July CSW meeting

- **Human Trafficking**

- Maria McEneaney was unable to attend this meeting, no update at this time

- **Domestic Violence**

- Will resume meeting this month, Clarissa has been looking into legislation and will bring any new bills to the next Commission meeting

## **6. ACCW Meeting in San Diego – 6/27/2015:**

- Confirmed Date – 6/27/2015
- Light breakfast & lunch will be provided by the Commission
- Venue:
  - Thomas Jefferson School of Law
    - Free as it will be presented as a student sponsored event – open to public & students (with a small cost for food)
- Every Commission in attendance will send a report & speak to three key points for three minutes each
- SD CSW will have 15 minutes per initiative to speak
- Potential Opening Speakers:
  - Toni Atkins
  - Susan Davis
- Friday night activity:
  - Commissioners will look into places/events and email ideas/costs to Jenni

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## **ACCW Meeting in San Diego (Continued)**

- Approval to pay \$100 for dues to ACCW from Jenni Prisk:  
Motion by Rachel Cano, Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>: Rupa Singh – approved

## **7. Conference on Initiatives – 2/2016:**

- February 2016
- Kearny Mesa Operations Center a potential site
- Half day event
- Cover all three initiatives

## **8. Adding “Girls” to Commission Name:**

- Deferred to June meeting in Maria McEneaney’s absence

## **9. New Business:**

- Darlene Davies – made \$50.00 donation to the CSW
- Women’s Hall of Fame – amount earned is still pending
- Leanne – shared a program with the Commission, Hugs & Bags
- Tiffany – informed the Commissioners that in order to add links to the Commission website it would cost money as the free services have ended.

**Meeting Concluded at 6:30 PM**