

SAN DIEGO COUNTY COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

1600 PACIFIC HIGHWAY, ROOM 302

SAN DIEGO, CA 92101-2942

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Minutes

March 4, 2015, 5:00 – 6:30 PM

Commissioners

Chairwoman

Jenni Prisk

Vice Chairwomen

Sherry Ludwig

Rupa Singh

District 1, Cox

Clarissa Reyes Falcon

Angela Harris

District 2, Jacob

Vacant

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District 3, D. Roberts

Rupa Singh

Maria McEneaney

District 4, R. Roberts

Rachel Cano

Jenni Prisk

District 5, Horn

Sherry Ludwig

Vacant

Members At-Large

Elva Chavez

Leanne Taylor

Staff Assistant

Rachel Weber

Student Intern

Tiffany Yang

Chair Jenni Prisk called the meeting to order at 5:04 PM

1. **Members Present:** Jenni Prisk (Chair), Sherry Ludwig (Vice Chair), Rupa Singh (Vice Chair), Rachel Cano, Angela Harris, Clarissa Reyes Falcon, Leanne Taylor, Tiffany Yang (Student Intern).
2. **Welcome to Visitors:** Elizabeth Knowles (ABA Immigration Justice Project, Executive Director), Suzie Ditmars (former Commissioner), Angelique Murray, Lodia Ruiz, Donna Kuge, Delia Salciado (Safe Kids International), Mollie Solorzano (former Commissioner), Diana Schmid, Kathy Brown, John Van Doorn, Cindy Dumas (Safe Kids International), Judge Salciado (Retired)
3. **February 4, 2015 Minutes:** Motion by Rachel Cano – Approve February Minutes, Motion 2nd: Sherry Ludwig– approved w/amendments
4. **Public Comments:**
 - Judge Salciado (Ret.):
 - Comments regarding instances of bias and unfairness she experiences from former supervising judges of the San Diego County Superior Court
 - Cindy Dumas:
 - Comments regarding bias against women among family law judges in San Diego, particularly with regard to custody, followed by request for the Commission to establish a committee, with the participation of Safe Kids International, to investigate bias, and advocate for fairness, in the judicial system
 - John Van Doorn:
 - Comments regarding his belief that divorce and custody proceedings should not focus on fathers or mothers, but on the best interests of children
5. **Strategic Initiative Subcommittee Committee Reports:**
 - Staff from District 3 is looking forward to meeting with the Commission to discuss its Commission’s initiatives
 - **Services to Homeless Women**
 - Sherry has names & resources to contact
 - Rick Braatz is no longer able to attend the June 3 Commission meeting, but Sherry has lined up another guest speaker to address this issue
 - **Human Trafficking**
 - Maria McEneaney unable to attend, but will provide update later. Angela Harris reported that Lincoln High School is hosting a Human Trafficking event today, indicating that this issue is being addressed from all sides

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- **Wraparound Services Domestic Violence**

- Clarissa Reyes Falcon reported that the subcommittee met on 2/19 and discussed the following issues as its focus:
- How to build on the 10/2014 Domestic Violence Event
- Facilitating contact between South Bay Community Services in South County and North County DV advocates to replicate wraparound services
- Planning Round Table or Special Meeting
- Committee will further explore what services are currently available

6. Website Updates:

- Tiffany Yang reported that the Women's Hall of Fame Event pictures (from March 1, 2015) have been posted to the website
- Rupa Singh's Blog on Women's History Month is also posted on the website – in order to post a blog on the website you have to be registered, and blogs must be approved by a commissioner
- Celebrating women of SD County: Rupa Singh and Tiffany Yang have posted information about women who have made significant contributions to San Diego County to celebrate local women during Women's History Month. There will be 31 posts—1 for each day of the month
 - Special thanks to Ashley Gardner of the SD Women's Museum for sharing her list of women nominated for the Hall of Fame as contributing to SD
 - Special thanks to Tiffany Yang for her research and collaboration on this project

7. Cities for the Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW):

- Sherry Ludwig reported that she will follow up via mail to the City Commission regarding the CEDAW taskforce

8. WHOF 2015:

- Very successful, 320 guests, great location, wonderful inductees, and inspiring comments by each award recipient as well as Judge McKeown and Supervisor Dave Roberts. Inspiring, one of the best yet in 14 years
- Feedback for Next Year:
 - Be clear on event timeline
 - Location – be more inclusive and have diverse program
- Special thanks to Jenni Prisk for co-chairing, and Maria McEneany for her excellent work with the silent auction. Every item except one sold, so Commission should be very proud of its work
- Dollar figures from the auction will be shared at a future meeting (once the numbers are tallied)

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9. Salute to Supervisors:

- Date: June 9th, after BOS Meeting, Room 402A
- Indigo Café will cater event
- Exclusive event for Commissioners and BOS
- Commissioners will pay for each of their Supervisors

10. Special Meeting (Feb. 23):

- Applied for \$18,000 in Community Enhancement (CE) and Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (NRP) grants from the County Board of Supervisors
- Should have response within a few months
- Grant money would be for next fiscal year (Jul 2015-Jun 2016)

11. ACCW Meeting in San Diego:

- Date: Friday, 6/26 (all day)
- Location: County Operations Center in Kearny Mesa
- Pre Meeting: request one page report from cities regarding what they are currently working on
- Subcommittee (to plan/further explore):
 - Rachel Cano, Angela Harris, Elizabeth Knowles
- Jenni Prisk paid NACW membership dues

12. New Business:

- 3/18 – International Women’s Day Breakfast at USD Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice
- SD Women’s week Event: 3/16 – 3/20
 - Days of event: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
 - Host: SD North County Chamber of Commerce
 - Supervisor Dave Roberts gives CSW 4 tickets to event
 - Commissioners will let Rupa Singh know what event/date they might like to attend
 - CSW SD would like to be “present” at future events
 - Supervisor Dave Roberts’ office asked Rupa Singh how to get involved with Lawyers Club
 - Rupa Singh advised speaking on
 - Human Trafficking
 - Pay equity – Tuesday, April 14th
- Commission Logo – Rachel Cano updated the history of the logo and its design; Leanne Taylor will send out survey to for thoughts regarding changing the logo
- As of 3/31 – Elva Chavez resigned, and Jenni Prisk sent her thanks from the Commission for her service. Elizabeth Knowles will fill vacancy
- Jenni Prisk will be absent for April meeting, Rupa Singh will chair

Meeting Concluded at 6:25 PM