



MEETING MINUTES Special Meeting

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

Friday, July 24, 2020
10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Via Zoom

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Commission on the
Status of Women

Civil and Human Rights
Commission

Human Relations
Commission

Transgender
Advisory Council

I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am and a quorum was reached at the same time, all commissioners were present with the exception of Commissioner Maryam Zar.

Commission President, Jackie Filla welcomed fellow commissioners and guests on the Zoom call.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

LACSW Meeting Minutes for February, 2020 were tabled for future meeting.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS & NON- AGENDA ITEMS

General Public Comments: There was no public comment submitted for this meeting.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

Commission Vice President, Nancy Perlman updated the commission on possible partnership with Mayor's Office Gender Equity team to screen "[And She Could Be Next](#)", a documentary film featuring various high profile women for Women's Equality Day on August 26, 2020. The board unanimously approved and passed the motion to partner with the Mayor's Equity team to assist in planning panel discussion

V. INFORMATION & DISCUSSION

- Veronica McDonald, Chief of Program Operations for HCIDLA, shared a PowerPoint Presentations highlighting vital demographic data captured in the Angeleno Card Program which provided emergency cash assistance to Los Angeles' neediest families, press [here](#) to access report findings.
- Joumana Silyan-Saba and Nicole Bryant from the Civil and Human Rights Department updated the commission on the status of the new Civil and Human Rights Commission. They highlighted the development of the structure that will support the work of the new commission in terms of upholding the new Civil and Human Right Ordinance.
- Commissioner Bernard-Gipson reported on her participation with the Mayor's African American Commissioner's meeting. She reported on the various guests that have addressed the all African American Commissioners on their regular meetings hosted by the Mayor. She reported that the group has heard from Congress Woman

Waters, Eric Holden Assembly Man representing Pasadena and various presentations that highlight the work of equity in the entertainment industry. She encouraged commissioners to share special events and initiatives with her so that she could share with all African American City Commissioners.

- Commissioner Filla updated the commission regarding the Mount Saint Mary's annual report on the "Status of Women and Girls" report originally scheduled to be out in March was postponed. She highlighted the fact that the report data is almost six years old. She urged the Commission to push to have a new report commissioned to get to more update numbers as the City continues to identify gender gaps. She reported that USC is creating a "Roadmap to recovery" as COVID continues to reveal gaps.
- Joumana Silyan-Saba with the Civil and Human Rights Department highlighted the intersectionality between ED27 (Racial Equity) and ED11 (Gender Equity) work that has appointed a racial equity liaison from every City department to establish and track measurable outcomes. Commissioner Filla urged fellow commissioners and staff to track motions and City initiatives that address the gender disparities currently in place.
- Commissioner Filla reported that voters would be deciding on the repeal of Prop 209, which she claims has been at the heart of some of the gender challenges faced by women throughout the state. Commissioner Filla believes that if this proposition is repealed it will have positive outcomes for Women and Girls as more resources will be carved out and free restrictions based on specific group.
- Commissioner Ana Dahan reported that she would be working on an updated version of the CSW's Communication Protocols at the boards August meeting.

VI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- No future agenda items were submitted

VII. NEXT BOARD MEETING AND EVENTS

- Friday, August 21, 2020 at 10:00 am Via Zoom

VIII. UPCOMING DEPARTMENT COMMISSION MEETINGS

- a. Civil and Human Rights Commission, Thursday, September 10, 2020, 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm
- b. Transgender Advisory Council, Thursday August 27, 2020, 6 pm – 8 pm, via Zoom
- c. Human Relations Commission, Wednesday, August 26 2020, 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm, via Zoom

IX. ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting was adjourned at 11:18 am

