



County Connection, 2477 Arnold Industrial Way, Concord, CA 94520

Tuesday, December 16, 2014

7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

DRAFT Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Public Comment: None

Julianna Hynes
Chair

Joey Smith
Vice Chair

Kathi Reed
Co-Secretary

Kirsten Upshaw
Co-Secretary

Commissioners
Joey Smith

District I
Vacant

District II
Dana Wellington

District III
Vacant

District IV
Kirsten Upshaw

District V

Attendance:

Commissioners Present:

Julianna Hynes

Joey Smith

Deborah Wood-Campbell

Dana Wellington

Iris Wong

Phyllis Gordon

Argentina Davila-Luevano

Kirsten Upshaw

Jr. Commissioner Joi Hynes-Akil

Commissioners Absent:

Kathi Reed

AT-LARGE MEMBERS
Argentina Davila-Luevano

Phyllis Gordon
Julianna Hynes

Kathi Reed
Deborah Wood-Campbell

This was a special recruiting “Meet and Greet” held at Supervisor Federal Glover’s Martinez Office, located at:

651 Pine Street

Martinez, Ca. 94553

Attendees: Liliana Gonzalez, Tracy Ward, Evelina Villa, Rebecca Loboschefskey, Stephanie Wakefield, Suzette Adkins, Marilyn Cunningham, Frances Palacios and Stacey Howard.

Motion to approve: 1st-Iris Wong, 2nd-Joey Smith, No abstentions, no discussion.

b. Brown Act Training for 2015.

1. Phyllis has recommended that we watch it together, so that everyone can sign off.
2. Further discussion will be had at the February Meeting.

Women's Policy Summit: Pathways to Policy:

- a. Dana met potential Women's Commission applicant, Rebecca Loboschfsky at the summit.
- b. Iris Wong attended the summit, as well as, Liliana Gonzalez who is also a potential Women's Commission applicant.
- c. Rebecca Loboschfsky and Phyllis Gordon discussed the policies they learned about, including FMLA and Human Trafficking
- d. CEDAW was also discussed.
 1. S.F. County and Pittsburg have endorsed the idea of CEDAW but now they are working on implementation.
- e. Iris discussed the Pathways to Policy.

Women's Commission Capacity:

- a. Julianna discussed the number of "At-large" seats available.
- b. The Commission has 25 seats available .
- c. 20 at-large, 5 appointed, 1 alternate.
- d. Currently, we have 9 commissioners and will discuss our goals to fill these open seats next year.

Strategic Planning Session:

Julianna would like to track where we are in our goals that were laid out at the Board retreat:

- a. Panel discussions fall under WIL
 1. We have had three since 2013 that have been very successful.

Chairs Report:

- a. The budget was sent out for approval.

- b. March 26 is our scheduled webinar on “Networking”.
 - c. Cookie project-Phyllis discussed the importance of the cookie project.
1. Currently, Hillview Jr. High, Pittsburg High School and Liberty High School are on board to participate.
 2. Potential applicants; Rebecca Lobeschefsky would like to talk to California High School and Evelina Villa has a contact at Mount Diablo Unified.

2015-2017 Long Term Goals:

- a. We are surveying women in the county.
1. Phyllis has suggested working a booth at the Farmers Market.
 - b. The idea of the “meet and greet” was birthed out of our strategic planning session.
 - c. Our next goal is implementing interns to help the commission.

Hall of Fame 2016: Honoring women in the county

- a. We will begin discussion at the February meeting.
- b. Argentina recommends sending the fund-raising letter next month or as soon as possible.

Nomination Committee:

- a. The voting process will begin next month.
1. Joey, Iris and Julianna will work on the nomination committee.

Approval of the December minutes as amended:

Motion to approve: Phyllis
2nd-Argentina
Abstained-Iris

Marketing for our next webinar:

- a. Begin the creation of the flyer for the next webinar: “Building your Network”
1. Kirsten will know by next week, the availability of the speaker, Christine Hueber.
 - b. For our May panel discussion, D.D. Felton is not going to be pursued.
 - c. Phyllis has confirmed three speakers and the commission feels that having three speakers works best for the discussion panel.

East Bay Women’s Conference:

- a. Phyllis is going to see if Erin Beable will give us a corner of her table to promote the commission.

Update on the Cookie Project:

- a. Dana’s contact is no longer there at San Ramon High School.
- b. Deborah has not been able to work on the Acalanes School District.
- c. Argentina has made contact with the Vice-Principal of Antioch High

School.

- d. Kirsten has spoken to contacts at MDHS and The Saklan School but has not been given the green light.
- e. Joey is working on Richmond High and Kennedy.

Women's Equity Luncheon:

- a. April 11th is the date for the Women's Equity Luncheon
- b. Discussions will begin next month.

Public Relations:

- a. Deborah's last blitz was for tonight's "Meet and Greet" recruitment meeting.
- b. She has issued the press release announcing Iris Wong as the District IV representative.

Newsletter:

- a. Iris' information is now online.
- b. Potential commission applicant Rebecca Loboschefskey, and Commissioner Iris Wong, have volunteered to help with the social media.

Partnerships:

- a. Sister to Sister-Kirsten and Phyllis met with Valarie Burgess and learned how the commission can help.
 - 1. Act as a sounding board.
 - 2. Promote the group.
 - b. Phyllis explained the importance of partnering with other women's organizations.
 - c. Get Real Academy-Phyllis:
 - 1. Has collaborated with Soroptimist.
 - 2. Topics include: How to be safe/Date Rape.
 - 3. Facilitated mock interviews.
 - d. She's All That-Deborah:
 - 1. She is distributing fliers.
 - 2. 5th-8th grade girls and their parents are included.
 - 3. Self-esteem workshops are facilitated.
 - 4. Cyber bullying is discussed.
 - 5. Domestic Violence is discussed.

Membership Committee:

- a. Phyllis explained the application process to all of the potential commissioners.
- b. IO committee-Applications for the commission go to the Supervisors.
- c. Phyllis presents potential applicants to the Supervisors.
 - 1. Meeting attendees seriously interested in applying:

Rebecca Loboschefskey
Tracy Ward
Stacey Howard
Marilyn Cunningham
Frances Palacios

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Plus/Delta:

Phyllis felt the “Meet and Greet” was a success.

Rebecca enjoyed feeling connected.

Stacey enjoyed the collaboration.

Frances liked the diversity of the group.

Minutes taken and submitted by Commissioner Kirsten Upshaw, District V

The minutes were amended and resubmitted Commissioner Kirsten Upshaw, District V