



Contra Costa
County
Commission for
Women

March Commission Meeting

Gayle B. Uilkema Memorial Boardroom, County Connection

2477 Arnold Industrial Way, Concord

March 20, 2018

MINUTES

Present: Joey Smith, Argentina Davila-Luevano, Phyllis Gordon, Kirsten Upshaw, Lanita Mims, Patricia Ramirez, Lauren Babb

Absent: Deborah Son

Guest: Ellie Lank

1. Call to Order and Roll Call 7:02 pm

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

2. Public Comment 7:03 pm

Ellie Lank applied to join the commission with Supervisor Anderson. Supervisor Anderson recommended she attend, learn and observe the women's commission.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes from February 2018 7:10 pm

Action: Approve with minor change of spelling to Argentina's last name on the February, 2018 minutes.

Motion: Argentina Davila-Luevano

Second: Lanita Mims

Consent: Unanimous

Abstained: None

4. Old Business 7:15 pm

A. Internal Operations Committee (IOC) Update

- Kirsten reported that a meeting with Candace Anderson was rescheduled to tomorrow, Wednesday, March 21, 2018. Phyllis and Kirsten will attend the meeting.
- Our new contact person at the county is Susan Smith.
- The focus of the meeting will be where Commission is headed and to clarify that it was the membership focusing on growth and not whole commission.

5. Seminars for 2018 7:30 pm

A. #Me Too - Action Items

- Dates - Phyllis is waiting to hear back from DVC to see if room is available June 13 or 14.
- Spirit sponsors - Phyllis will spear head. Spirit sponsors are sponsors in spirit and not money. ie., Tim Grayson, 100 Black Men, Rotary, Kiwanis
- Kirsten will contact Evodio Walle with Hispanic Chamber to ask them to participate as spirit sponsors.
- The following will be contacted to ask for their ability to participate as potential panelists; Joey will contact Bisa French, Phyllis will contact Cynthia Peterson, Phyllis will reach out to Deborah Toth for Lorena Huerta's contact information.

B. Women candidate forum -

- Venue - Lauren will reach out to Concord Health & Human Services Building Community Building.
- Phyllis will contact League of Women Voters, Lauren recommended talking to Young Dem's, Joey will connect BWOPA (Black Women Organized for Political Action), African American Caucus, and CDP (California Democratic Party).
- There was a discussion as to whether the forum should be panel style, questions prepared in advance, a women only forum or women and men forum.

6. Committee Reports 7:51 pm

A. *Action: CCCCW 2018 Elections*

- Kirsten Upshaw - Chair
- Argentina Davila-Luevano - Vice Chair
- Patricia Ramirez - Secretary (Back up is Lauren Babb)
- Joey Smith - Fiscal Agent

Motion: Lanita Mims

Second: Patricia Ramirez

Consent: Unanimous

B. Membership -

- Phyllis will reach out to Deborah Cowan since she was approved by the Board of Supervisors to see if she would like to join the Women's Commission.
- Deborah Son resigned from the Commission due to moving out of the county.

7. Announcement and Upcoming Community Events 8:00 pm

- ACCW 2018 Winter Meeting, March 23 & 24, 2018 8:30am – 3:30pm, Hotel Petaluma, 205 Kentucky Street, Petaluma, California 94952

- ACCW Reception on March 23, 2018 6:00-8:00 pm at Petaluma Historical Museum, 20 Fourth Street, Petaluma (Corner of 4th and B Street)
- Phyllis Gordon will be speaking regarding Equal Means Equal at the Cal State Hayward East Bay the the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute on May 9, 2018 at 2 pm. She would like some of the commissioners to attend in support.
- NACW National Conference will be held August 1 - 4, 2018 at the Millennium Biltmore Hotel in LA. The Friends will pay for the Commissioner's registration and room.
- Equal Pay day is 4/10/2018. Phyllis will make cookie with a chocolate bite and take to the Board of Supervisors.
- STS Academy Fundraiser Taste of the Bayou at Church of the Good Shepherd - April 21, 2018, 3200 Harbor Street, Pittsburg, CA.
- March 24, 2018 - March for our Lives, Richmond from 11 am - 2 pm
- March 24, 2018 - Hidden Figures Happy Hour, 44 Restaurant, Berkeley from 6:30 pm - 10 pm
- April 21, 2018 - 19th Annual Madam CJ Walker Luncheon and Awards, San Francisco Marriott, 8:30 am - 4 pm, prices vary
- April 21,2018 - DPCCC Annual Fundraiser, Roosevelt Awards Dinner, Crowne Plaza, 6 pm - 9:30 pm, \$100 pp

8. Adjournment

Action: Adjourn Meeting

Motion: Joey Smith

Second: Phyllis Gordon

Consent: Unanimous

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm