



Contra Costa Water District, 1331 Concord Avenue R ❖ Concord, CA 94520

Tuesday, August 21, 2012

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Carlyn Obringer

Chair

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Minutes

1. **Call to Order** (Obringer) 6:30pm

2. **Roll Call** (Obringer)

- a) Attendees: Erin Beable, Kerri Ryer, Dana Wellington, Sean Duckworth, Carlyn Obringer, Phyllis Gordon, Marie McDonald, Julianna Hynes, Judy Carney.
- b) Absent: Nati Flores, Argentina Davila-Luevano, Cecilia Valdes, Joan Conley, Nimfa Games.
- c) Guests: Mari Belle, Kathy Reed, Mara Gold.

3. **Public Comment** (Obringer) 6:35pm

- a) Guests introduced themselves and Commissioner Hynes explained the new membership process.

4. **Chair's Report** (Obringer) 6:40pm

- a) Community Events:
 - i) John Muir event was a success, commissioners made suggestions to improve our presence in the future.
 - ii) Friday the 24th is The Santa Clara Commissions Pay Equity Event.
 - iii) Summer booth in Oakley on July 1st
- b) Brown Act Training
 - i) Commissioners Duckworth, Wellington, and Carney need to complete the training as soon as possible.
 - ii) Commissioners McDonald, Hynes, Gordon, Obringer, and Ryer acknowledged that they have completed the training.
- c) AACW meeting
 - i) Commissioner Gordon spoke about the success of the ACCW meeting that the commission held in Pittsburg June 30th; and Speaker Pérez support of the California Commission on the Status of Women.
- d) NACW conference
 - i) Commissioner Gordon attended the conference to represent the Contra Costa Commission for Women. Commissioner Gordon gave feedback from the conference. The Contra Costa Commission for Women will be co-hosting the NACW 2013 conference in San Jose around the third week of July.
- e) Breastfeeding
 - i) Topic was removed from discussion.
- f) Election of the position of Vice Chair

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i) Elections were held to elect an interim Vice Chair to fill the vacancy. Nominations were accepted for Vice Chair. Chair Commissioner Obringer nominated Commissioner Duckworth, and no other nominations were made. Commissioner McDonald put forth motion to close nominations and Commissioner Gordon seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. By acclamations Commissioner Duckworth was elected to the position of Vice Chair.

g) Miscellaneous

i) Chair Commissioner Obringer spoke about possibly holding an informal social activity sometime in October on a Sunday afternoon.

ii) Chair Commissioner Obringer sent an electronic copy of the By Laws to all commissioners. All commissioners are expected to have reviewed them prior to the September meeting.

5. Approval of June Minutes (Obringer) 7:20 pm

a) Commissioner McDonald made a motion to approve the June minutes as written, Commissioner Wellington seconded. Commissioners pass motion to approve June minutes with no abstentions.

6. Committee Reports:

a. CCCW Website/Newsletter (Duckworth)

i. Commissioner Duckworth reported on the status of the website updating and the newsletter. Commissioner Duckworth requests commissioners contribute to the newsletter. In addition, Commissioner Duckworth requests that all commissioners submit an individual headshot and biographical blurb, of no more than 250 words, before the September meeting.

b. Membership (Hynes/McDonald)

i. Status on New Commissioner Appointments: Sean Duckworth was reappointed to the Commission.

ii. New Commissioner Recruitment: please bring a guest to the next meeting.

iii. Attendance Report: Commissioners Gamez and Commissioner Vice Chair Peterson resigned. Commissioner Hynes will contact Commissioners Conley, and Valdez.

c. Legislative Committee (Duckworth)

i. Commissioner Duckworth announced that the Committee needs new members. Please review job description in the By Laws and contact Commissioner Duckworth via email if interested in joining the committee.

d. Public Relations Committee (Flores)

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i. Commissioner Flores will work on writing an editorial on the commission's events and projects, and work to identify a topic for each month's newsletter.

e. Girl-on-girl violence (McDonald/Obringer)

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Vice Chair

i. Commissioner McDonald is completing the transcription of the Girl-on-Girl bullying forum. Chair Commissioner Obringer will follow up with Superintendent Joseph Ovick on a standard ordinance for CCC.

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Treasurer

f. Bone Health (Gordon/Flores)

i. Commissioner Gordon indicated that she is waiting for materials that were promised to her for the event. Chair Commissioner Obringer suggested that the commission contact John Muir to co-sponsor the event. Chair Commissioner Obringer and Commissioner Beable will contact John Muir.

Kerri Ryer

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g. Women Veterans (Obringer)

i. Chair Commissioner Obringer spoke about her meeting with Nathan Johnson

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the Veterans Services Officer for Contra Costa County. Guest Mara Gold also spoke about her knowledge of women veteran's affairs. The Commission will continue to pursue multiple avenues to assist women veterans in Contra Costa County.

h. Equal Pay/Financial Literacy (Beable/Hynes)

i. Commissioner Hynes spoke about the Contra Costa Commission for Women

possibly adopting the San Francisco Commission for Women's Gender Equality Principles. In

addition, the committee plans to host round table panel discussion events in the future. Furthermore, Commissioner Hynes has contacted Ann Lehman Policy Director of San Francisco Department on the Status of Women and the Commission hopes to welcome her attendance at our September meeting.

7. Announcements

a) Commissioner Gordon spoke about the commission's free storage space and scheduled a cleaning day for Saturday October 6th at 8am to 11am.

b) Commissioner Gordon spoke about the little black dress event auction held for Community Violent Solutions.

c) Commissioner Hynes spoke about the documentary *Very Young Girls* a product of Origination Gems in New York, and girl empowerment mentoring services.

8. Adjournment (Obringer) 8:00 pm.

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a) Commissioner McDonald put forth motion to adjourn, commissioner Wellington seconded, and motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

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Dates to Remember
Next Commission meeting: September 18, 2012, 6:30-8:30

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