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Parisa Ijadi-Maghsoodi Melinda Vásquez District 5,
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(Vacant)

Members At Large
Dr. Rebecca Boyce
Nadia Farjood
Sheryl MalloryJohnson

Staff Assistant
Cristina Garcia

**MINUTES** 

February 3, 2023

Virtual Meeting 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Chair Ijadi-Maghsoodi: Meeting was called to order at 12:08PM

## Commissioner Roll Call:

# Members Present Remotely:

Chair: Parisa Ijadi-Maghsoodi – District 4, Fletcher Vice Chair: Deja Cabrera – District 1, Vargas Vice Chair: Melinda Vásquez – District 4, Fletcher

Members Present In-person: Leah Goodwin – District 1, Vargas

Vice Chair: Nadia Farjood – Member At-Large

#### **Members Absent:**

Sherry Ludwig – District 5, Desmond Dr. Rebecca Boyce – Member At-Large Sheryl Mallory-Johnson – Member At-Large

## **Approval of Minutes:**

January 2023 – Commissioner Goodwin made a motion to approve the January 2023 meeting minutes. Commissioner Vásquez seconded the motion. Motion passed with all Commissioners present voting in favor of the motion.

#### **Public Comments**:

None

#### **Business:**

- 1. Presentation regarding MOXIE Theatre
  - Jennifer Thorn shared a PowerPoint Presentation regarding MOXIE Theatre, which was founded 18 years ago. MOXIE Theatre promotes women and has had a partnership with the Commission in the past. MOXIE Theatre would like to partner with the Commission.
- 2. Strategic Planning and Evaluation of Commission Activities summary
  - Chair Ijadi-Maghsoodi shared information regarding the Strategic Planning and Evaluation of Commission Activities session held on January 22, 2023.
     In attendance were Commissioners Ijadi-Maghsoodi, Farjood, Zamora, Cabrera, Dr. Boyce, Ludwig, Vásquez, and Goodwin. There were four parts to the meeting, including a brainstorming session on actions Commissioners would like to see the Commission accomplish this year.
- 3. 2023 assignments for Commission Activities
  - Chair Ijadi-Maghsoodi shared that based on the Strategic Planning and Evaluation of Commissioner Activities session, and given the current composition of the Commission, the Executive Committee proposes having three Committees to accomplish the work ahead:
    - 1) Civic Engagement, including work currently conducted by this Committee as well as *Know Your Rights* work, dissemination of information, and outreach (Chair: Vice Chair Cabrera; Members: Vice Chair Vásquez, Commissioner Goodwin);
    - 2) Policy, including CEDAW work and policy-based work discussed at the Strategic Planning Session (Chair: Vice Chair Farjood; Members: Commissioners Dr. Boyce and Ludwig); and
    - 3) Governance, including work updating the by-laws, recruitment, grants, and administrative-related work internally and externally (Chaired by Vice Chair Vásquez, but on pause until new Commissioners appointed).
  - The Chairs of each committee will decide a date and time of committee meetings and will provide committee reports monthly to be included in regular Commission meeting agendas.
  - Chair Ijadi-Maghsoodi stated the motion to ratify committee assignments and unless there were objections, the motion would be approved. The motion passed unanimously by all Commissioners present with no objections.
- 4. Committee Reports
  - CEDAW:
    - Chair Ijadi-Maghsoodi provided two updates that were not included in the CEDAW Committee's written report: (1) the Office of Equality and Racial Justice (OERJ) cancelled meetings for the gender equity working group. The next meeting will be in May. (2) Regarding the CEDAW request for proposal – the Committee has been in communication with the OERJ since the last update and regarding their last set of input and feedback.
  - Homelessness:
    - No additional updates.

- Human Trafficking:
  - No additional updates.
- Civic Engagement (formerly Marking Public Relations):
  - Commissioner Cabrera created a flyer with the Commission logo and all the meeting dates, times, and room numbers and shared it on Facebook and Twitter. There is a flyer circulating that transwomen are women because of the situation surrounding the Santee YMCA incident. On Wednesday, Commissioners Cabrera and Farjood attended the 2023 State of San Diego County Address from Supervisor Vargas who mentioned her focus will be on homelessness, the youth, and work equality. Commissioner Cabrera served an official role at this event.

### 5. Initiative Updates and Liaison Reports

- Women's Hall of Fame Commissioner Vásquez shared they met the weekend of Martin Luther King, Jr week. There is a new category: Advocates for Equality and the inductee is Planned Parenthood.
- Association of California Commissions for Women (ACCW) Commissioner Dr. Boyce is the liaison for this initiative. Due to her absence, this will be added to next month's agenda.
- Resources from the "CCSWG & Local Commission Convening: Blueprint for Women's Economic Recovery" conference Chair Ijadi-Maghsoodi shared the conference was held remotely on January 19<sup>th</sup> for local Commissions and she sent the PowerPoint with the agenda packet. She shared that (1) CCSWG will be developing a Handbook on the Creation and Operation of Commissions on Women and Girls and will be reaching out in the spring to invite assistance with this project, (2) phase II grant funding is available through the CCSWG, the deadline to apply is 2/17/23, and (3) CEDAW legislation has been proposed at the state level.
  - Commissioner Vásquez made a motion to have a special meeting on February 12<sup>th</sup> to discuss applying for the phase II grant funding. Commissioner Farjood seconded the motion. Commissioner Vásquez made a motion to amend the main motion to include the 5pm meeting time. Commissioner Cabrera seconded the amended motion. The amendment passed with all Commissioners present voting in favor of the amendment. Commissioner Farjood made a motion to amend the amended motion to include that the meeting be held virtually via Zoom for a 1-hour duration. Commissioner Vásquez seconded the amendment. The amendment to the amended motion passed with all commissioners present voting in favor. The amended motion passed with all Commissioners present voting in favor of the amended motion.

### 6. Commissioner Announcements

- Chair Ijadi-Maghsoodi encourages recruitment and shared there was a webinar conducted and posted by Supervisor Lawson-Remer's office that provides an overview of the process and a slide specific to the CCSWG.
- Commissioner Vásquez asks that all of the members reach out to other organizations who are supportive of women's rights to see if they are interest in applying for the grant funding.
- Staff Assistant Cristina shared she has received a notice regarding the Code of Ethics training. Anyone who has not completed it or the certificate

of completion is over 2 years old will need to complete the 2-hour training. She will be reaching out to those who need to complete it. Also, there is a new website for Boards, Commissions, and Committees (BCC's). She will be sharing that information with the Commission so that it can be shared with anyone who is interested in applying for the CSWG.

 Commissioner Cabrera shared February is Black History Month and March 11<sup>th</sup> is the HIV Women's Conference. There are 1.1 million people who have HIV and 23% are women. Transgender Day of Remembrance is in March and April 7<sup>th</sup> is Transgender Day of Empowerment.

**2023 Regular Meetings (1st Friday of every month):** February 12th (special meeting), March 3rd, April 7th, May 5th, June 2nd, July 7th, August 4th, September 1st, October 6th, November 3rd, December 1st

#### **ADJOURN:**

a. There be no further business, this meeting is closed at 1:15pm.

**NOTE:** The Commission on the Status of Women and Girls jurisdiction is established by action of the Board of Supervisors as follows: The Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego declares that it is the policy of the County to take action to identify needs and problems of women in the County that are affected by public policy decisions; and furthermore, to eliminate the practice of discrimination and prejudice on the basis of sex within the County. In order to promote this policy and to provide an open forum for discussion and action, there is hereby established a San Diego County Commission on the Status of Women in the Chief Administrative Office. County Code of Administrative Ordinances, Section 85