



Office of the County Administrator

**PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS / HUMAN RIGHTS SECTION**

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**Meeting Record**

<b>Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) Annual Planning Meeting</b>	<b>Date:</b> February 12, 2020 <b>Call to Order:</b> 6:05 PM
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**Attendees**

Doreen Albert	Dominique Burkhardt	Susan Buzzi	Toby Feuer
Gail Grahn	Juliet Hue	Jeanne Kacprzak	Nancy Metayer
Melissa Shiff			

**Members Absent**

Sandra Coracelin	Lauren Odman	Jasmen Rogers-Shaw	
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**Key Decisions**

1. Women: VOTE! Committee established

**Action Items**

	Description	Resource	Status
1.	Members to formulate ideas for action items relevant to 2020 focus areas and consider what recommendations should be made to the Commissioners (regarding legislative or other issues relevant to women).		
2.	Ms. Feuer to check on speaker for May meeting.		
3.	Chair Grahn and Board Coordinator Zurko to represent CSW at Brow County Sunset Review 2/27		
4.	All members and honorees who are able to attend Women's History Month presentation at the County Commission meeting 3/10		

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm and quorum was established.

**2. GUEST SPEAKER**

Ms. Grahn introduced Supervisor of Elections Peter Antonacci and gave some background information. Mr. Antonacci spoke for over an hour about the state of the elections process and addressed questions and concerns from Board Members. He also stressed the need for Spanish-speaking poll workers in November.

**3. ROLL CALL/ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion made by Ms. Feuer, second by Ms. Albert; unanimously carried

**4. APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

A motion to approve January 8 meeting minutes made by Ms. Feuer, second by Ms. Buzzi; unanimously carried.

## **5. CHAIR'S REPORT**

Ms. Grahn reported that on January 13 the Florida CSW had a statewide teleconference. If anyone would like further information, the website is [floridasuffrage.org](http://floridasuffrage.org). Also, there is a new marker for Amelia Earhart in Miami Dade County; however, it was noted that still only 6% of historical statues in the US are dedicated to women. Also noteworthy is Virginia's passage of the Equal Rights Amendment. Ms. Grahn suggested adding this to the legislative requests for the Commission.

## **6. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### CEDAW

Ms. Grahn reported that someone from the County Auditor's office has reached out to the contacts we provided; we should have more information by the next meeting.

### Communications

Ms. Feuer mentioned an exhibit by Cypress Bay High School students that focuses on human rights through art, which will be on display at the Weston Library.

### Women's Issues

Ms. Metayer reported that the Parental Consent Bill passed in the House and Senate. Also, the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual "Black Girls Day at the Capitol" will take place February 26-28 in Tallahassee, if anyone would like to sponsor a young girl to attend. This was an initiative she and Ms. Rogers-Shaw helped start 2 years ago. The Tammy Jackson Act unanimously passed the second House Committee; now we are waiting to have it voted for on the Floor. She spoke about many other Bills including feminine hygiene products in schools, child mortality, reproductive rights and contraception for sexual assault victims, minimum wage increase and paid family leave.

### Women: VOTE! Centennial Committee

Ms. Grahn requested input for membership, purpose, ideas for events etc. Ms. Kacprzak shared some ideas such as promotional materials and/or presentations for younger people in County Libraries. Also, seeing if any buildings could be lit in purple and gold, such as the Hard Rock guitar hotel- Ms. Feuer suggested Members speak to their respective City Managers about this. Ms. Grahn reiterated that Senator Rich had said that she wanted to work with us on something. Several members said they would be on the committee but did not want to be Chair. There were no objections to keeping the Committee name as is.

## **7. MEMBER REPORTS**

### Human Trafficking

Ms. Buzzi spoke the about the "Stop Sex Trafficking" campaign that was formed by the Miami State Attorney's Office in conjunction with being the host committee for the last Super Bowl. She helped place stickers in stores and restrooms in Miami Gardens near the stadium. They are also planning another Human Trafficking academy at St. Thomas University in July. She will also be presenting a piece she did at the February 25 Commission Meeting. A motion to include the CSW logo was made by Ms. Feuer, second by Ms. Burkhardt; all in favor. Ms. Feuer requested copies of the artwork- Ms. Buzzi said she would send out a PDF after the 25<sup>th</sup>.

Suggestions for Centennial

Ms. Kacprzak spoke about “Flat Stanley.” She had previously sent out information about using a “Flat Susan” to teach kids about Women’s rights.

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Women’s History Month nominees

As a reminder, the presentation will take place at the March 10<sup>th</sup> commission meeting. Mr. Zurko reported that the display and certificates are in process. Shelly Turetzky from OPC came up with an idea to leave the display up in April as well to promote the Census, then bring it back out in November for the election.

Sunset Review Panel

Scheduled for February 27.

Annual Report

Motion to Table made by Ms. Feuer, second by Ms. Hue; unanimously carried.

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

Equal Pay Day

Scheduled for the March 31 commission meeting.

Primary Focus Areas

As discussed in the January planning meeting, these include: 1) Women’s voting and possibly partnering with the League of Women Voters, 2) Census (April) and determining any obstacles to women participating and 3) Mental health/suicide prevention. Ms. Feuer had recommended Jackie Rosen as a speaker; will see if she can do this at the May meeting. Members shared initiatives such as outreach to high schools and voter registration cards given out to people getting driver’s licenses.

**10. ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

The Miami chapter of IGNITE National is requesting speakers for a panel scheduled for March 7 about public service/government- Ms. Metayer volunteered to participate.

Guest Ms. Averill Dorsett, the new Professional Standards/Human Rights Section manager, introduced herself to the Board.

Ms. Buzzi inquired about the attendance policy.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Feuer, second by Ms. Albert; unanimously carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.

**The next scheduled Board meeting will convene:**

**Wednesday, March 11, 2020, 6 PM  
Governmental Center, Room 301**

*If a Board member or other party would like more detailed information about the contents of these summarized minutes, a compact disc will be available by contacting the Human Rights Section, 954-357-7800.*