

VENTURA COUNTY COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

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MINUTES
APRIL 15, 1989
CAMARILLO DAILY NEWS

Commission Members:

District 1

Lauren Anderson
Karen Flock
Katie Reeder

- I. The regular monthly meeting was called to order at 9:25 a.m. by Co-Chair Lauren Anderson.

District 2

Diane Doria
Anita Garaway
Susan H. Witting

- II. Commissioners Present:
Lauren Anderson, Ventura
Dot Engel, Thousand Oaks
Teresa Godinez, Moorpark
Terri Simonson, Ojai
Eliza Thomas, Oxnard
Susan Witting, Thousand Oaks
Anita Garaway, Thousand Oaks
- Commissioners Absent:
Laura Espinosa, Sta. Paula
Karen Flock, Ventura
Jean Harris, Oxnard
Naomi Kohl, Camarillo
Kathy Long, Camarillo
Shirley Jewett, Simi Vly.
Katie Reeder, Oxnard

District 3

Laura Espinosa
Naomi Kohl
Kathy Long

District 4

Dorothy J. Engel
Teresa Godinez

STAFF:
Bonnie Warrington, Adm. Aide

District 5

Jean Harris
Eliza Thomas

Guests:
Diane Doria, Consultant, Simi Valley Adult School's Single Parent Resource Faire

Commission Staff

Bonnie M. Warrington
Tiffiney B. Lewis

- III. M/S/P Godinez, Thomas, to approve the minutes of the March 11, 1989 Meeting, as printed.

Public Comment
Diane Doria presented an updated on the Resource Faire.

- V. Financial Report Dot Engel
Report (copy attached) submitted was accepted as printed.

- VI. Correspondence Report Susan Witting
Report was accepted as printed. Copy attached to official records.

- VII. Staff Report Bonnie Warrington
Report accepted as printed. Copy attached to official records.

- VIII. Education Task Force Terri Simonson
Salute to Women
Update on the status of the arrangements with Koranda-Berry (i.e. K-B will not be doing the solicitation, mailing, speaker arrangements, however will secure location, menus and bring to Commission for final approval).

Decision to change event from an evening banquet to Sunday brunch, October 29, at 11 a.m. at the Oxnard Hilton was approved. Executive Committee will provide liaison with contractor.

M/S/P Witting, Engel that Executive Committee will meet together with Koranda-Berry Enterprises in a transitional meeting to discuss specifics of contract, confirm any fee changes and any other details for the event.

M/S/P Engel, Witting to transfer leadership responsibility of Salute to Women event to Executive Committee of the Commission for Women.

M/S/P Simonson, Engel to change Salute to Women event to a Sunday brunch to be held October 29, 1989 starting 11 a.m.

M/S/P Engel, Thomas that the STWW event be held at the Oxnard Hilton, October 29, 1989.

RECOMMENDATION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: That each Commissioner be encouraged to take an active role in insuring the success of the event.

B. Child Care

Dot Engel

1. Reported on the Simi Valley Child Care Council: Doris Mechanick is serving as the Acting Chair, Bonnie Warrington Acting Secretary/Recorder. Next meeting will be held on April 27, from 3-5 p.m., Simi Valley Library.
2. Reported on the Ventura County Child Care Coordinating Council: Plans are moving forward for the Breakfast at the Tower Club, May 12 to bring together the Employer representatives from throughout the county to hear the presentation by Senator Gary Hart relative to SB 722/Employer Tax Incentives for child care provision. Reservations for the breakfast are to be made with Doris Mechanick.
3. Brief discussion relative to child care legislation was presented with copies of bills being provided for further study.

C. Women Helping Women

Staff reported that a few suggestions had come in to the office. Matter will be discussed further at the next meeting to allow Commissioners additional time to approve their input.

D. Domestic Violence

Teresa Godinez presented a brief report on the progress she had made relative to the "Cool It Tips". She will be making a presentation to School Board in Moorpark early in May. Further report at the next meeting. She is also securing permission from the publishers from which much of the material was derived for the brochure. Approval is expected by next meeting. Pending the approvals it is planned that the "tips" will go out to parent 4 times a year, prior to the issuance of report cards.

Teresa reported on her monitoring of the East County Shelter and need for some repairs in the facilities. Report will be forwarded in detail to Eleanor Evans, PSSA.

Anita Garaway will monitor the West County Shelter and report at the May Commission meeting.

Monitoring will continue throughout the year at quarterly intervals of the two shelters for battered women and their children.

E. Family Law Forum

Susan Witting, Chair

Forum will be held at the Enlisted Officers Club, Port Hueneme Construction Battalion Base, June 3, 1989.

Commissioners are urged to attend to assist with the registration details and other tasks that will need to be handled the day of the event.

IX. Old Business

Commissioners were asked to assist the staff in locating a suitable facility for the June meeting that can accommodate the meeting, and a pot luck luncheon.

Staff reminded Commissioners that their Annual Reports are due AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. Prepare details of mileage, hours, expenses, up-date on personal biography, committee/task force reports.

M/S/P Engel, Godinez that the Commission accept with extreme regret the resignation of Terri Simonson.

M/S/P Engel, Garaway to submit the name of Doris Mechanick for consideration for the Women Helping Women being given by the Ventura Soroptimists. Garaway will draft letter.

FORUM SUGGESTIONS RECEIVED:

Continue educational process of Child Care Task Force

Domestic Violence subject matter relating to how to avoid Child Abuse, services to battered women and victims of rape working with the existing county agencies who address these issues.

Follow up on recommendations being developed by the County wide Self-Esteem Task Force.

Forum to up-date community on efforts being made to provide affordable housing within every geographic area.

Medical Social Service Forum covering such topics as medical care available, Medi-care, Medi-cal, Interface referral services, long term care facilities/monitoring/pre-admission counseling services, planning for health care costs.

Educational Opportunities covering job training, high school equivalency exams, state loans/grants available, technical training and re-entry programs.

Financial Fitness forums to address how to invest, how to get a loan, your credit rating, stocks/money market accounts, bankruptcy and retirement planning.

Consumer Education forum covering such topics as automobile repair, home remodeling/repair, home solicitation and how to be an informed consumer.