

VENTURA COUNTY COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

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COMMISSION MEMBERS:

DISTRICT I Cindi Love Cecilia Fargo Diana Goodrow

DISTRICT II Janis Gardner Elizabeth Wagner Lyndsay Heitmann

DISTRICT III Rosalinda Figueroa Sharon Hillbrant Vacancy

<u>∠ISTRICT IV</u> Jan Lawrence Bonnie Warrington Cynthia Hollister

DISTRICT V Bea Gan Ina Howard Ruth Ann McAllister MINUTES September 4, 2004 Senior Nutrition Center 2220 Ventura Blvd. Camarillo, CA

1. Call to Order by Chairperson Goodrow at 9:30 a.m.

- 2. Roll Call
 - A Cindi Love
 - P Cecilia Fargo
 - P Diana Goodrow
 - P Janis Gardner
 - P Elizabeth Wagner
- A Jan Lawrence P Bonnie Warrington

P Lyndsay Heitmann

P Roslinda Figueroa

P Sharon Hillbrant

- P Cynthia Hollister
- P Bea Gan
- P Ina Howard
- P Ruth Ann McAllister
- 3. Reordering of Agenda: Reorder to discuss web page and business cards, then Item C.
- 4. Public Comment: None
- 5. Consent Calendar: Approval of July 31, 2004 minutes. No corrections. Minutes accepted.
- 6. Order of Business
 - 1. Treasurer's Report: Bank ending balance for July 31, 2004 was reported to be \$440.97.
 - Incoming Mail Report: (on file) presented by Commissioner Goodrow; September 23rd, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Ventura County Community Foundation Hanna Beth Jackson speaking.
 - Incoming Calls: Commissioner Goodrow returned all calls providing the information and/or referrals. Of note: Homeland Security – jobs available at the Oxnard Airport.

7.Old Business

- A. Web page: Commissioner Hollister reported that she was able to access the Commission website, but due to staffing changes and other issues at Ventura County, we have temporarily lost access. Commissioner Hollister is working with Joe Guokas at Ventura County IT to re-establish linking ability. There was preliminary discussion of items to be accomplished on the website, e.g., clean up links, contact information, post minutes and agenda, Action Alert, CEDAW, etc.
- B. Business Cards: Commissioner Hollister brought finished cards for all but Commissioners Wagner and Hillbrant, who needed to provide additional information, and will receive their cards at the October 2 Commission meeting.



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- C. Review of 7/31/04 Retreat Report and Goals: Commissioners agreed that the July 31 Retreat was very successful. We were able to identify our objectives for the year and set viable dates to reach those goals.
 - <u>Board of Supervisors Report</u>: Commissioner Gardner needs to review past minutes – Commissioner Hillbrant will provide those.
 - <u>Women's History Month</u>: NOW wants to do something on reproductive rights vote. Anyone who sees anything on Women's History Month on the web should bring it to the next Commission meeting.
 - Brainstormed ideas for possible theme for Women's Summit Status of Women
 - Possible projects: Scholarship for re-entry women, book fund-raiser, CalWorks continuing education
- D. 501c3: Resumes of all Commissioners have now been received. Discussed the items on the Community Partners proposal to get an idea of what would be required on our proposal. Also discussed, as an alternative, L.A. Commission for Women; Commissioner Fargo made a motion to go ahead and pursue application to Community Partners for a 'Friends of the Commission'. Commissioner Figueroa seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- E. ACCW Meeting on November 5 in Marin County. Commissions all over State are threatened; ACCW helps to see that we remain a political entity and promotes letter writing.
- F. First Five and NFL No attendance at any meetings over summer.
- G. Reproductive Rights Network (RRN): meeting in January
- 8. New Business:
 - A. Events in Santa Paula: (Commissioner Figueroa provided event information for: Friday, Sept. 17 – at Fillmore High School 4 one-hour workshops Saturday, Sept 18 – Fillmore – all day event – 8:00a.m. registration Saturday, Sept. 25 – at Fillmore Middle School – WEJP
 - B. Women's Forum in Ventura on October 23, 2004 from 9:00a.m. noon at the College United Methodist Church, Fellowship Room.

Theme: Women's Rights & Empowerment -

- Three speakers:
- Elahe Amani (Iran) on Women's Rights
- Ferial Massry Status of Women's rights in Afganistan
- Billie Heller National Chair for ratification of CEDAW (United Nations <u>C</u>onvention on the <u>E</u>limination of all forms of <u>D</u>escrimination <u>A</u>gainst <u>W</u>omen)
- 9. Commissioners Discussion and Announcements
 - A. NOW action group Will do two sign-holding functions re: "12 Days Left Till Election"
 - B. Deadline to register to vote: October 18, 2004
- 10. Checkout and Adjournment: 11:50 a.m.
- 11. Next meeting October 2, 2004 at 9:00a.m., 2220 Ventura Blvd., Camarillo, Ca

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- 12. Commissioners' Mileage/Hours/ Expense Report- June 2004
 - Jan Lawrence Diana Goodrow Elizabeth Wagner Bonnie Warrington Rosalinda Figueroa Bea Gan Sharon Hillbrant Cynthia Hollister Janis Gardner Lyndsay Heitmann Ruth Ann McAllister Cecilia Fargo Ina Howard

0/0/\$0 100/100/\$50 40/3/\$0 65/110/\$0 40/5/\$5 10/10/\$0 10/12/\$32 (business card stock) 10/10/\$5 27/10/\$5 20/5/\$0 60/12/\$45 (Cal-Works Planners for Women) 20/3/\$10

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Hollister