

Commission for Women MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING February 5, 2014

The Commission for Women convened in a regular meeting on February 5, 2014 at City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Room #2017 in Austin, Texas.

Chair Amy Welborn called the Board Meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Amy Welborn, Julia Aguilar, Julia Cuba, Rachael Torres, Marilyn Bostick

Staff in Attendance: Dolores Gonzalez, Sandra Adame

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

 Chair Amy Welborn asked commission members to review minutes from the meeting on December 4, 2013. Commissioner Aguilar moved to approve the December 4 minutes. Commissioner Torres seconded. Motion passed.

STAFF BRIEFING

 Locations for July- September meetings were discussed due to upgrades planned for Boards and Commissions Room in City Hall during that time. July- Sept. meetings will be in City Hall 2nd floor- Rm. 2017

NEW BUSINESS

- Discussion on what Austin Women's Commission can do to help local flood victims, especially women and children. Commissioner Torres reached out to local stores. Discussion on what kind of preparation stores and community organizations can do for future bad weather or other disastrous events. For store and other donation lists, ask them if they have women and children items such as, diapers, women's personal hygiene items, baby food, etc. Also, perhaps a Women helping Women event could be planned at city recreations centers such as Dove Springs. A sub-committee was created with Commissioners Torres and Bostick.
- Women in the Workplace is specific to women working at city. Commissioner Bostick brought up discussion about creating a mentorship program for women in the community.

OLD BUSINESS

- Annual Internal Review Commissioner Welborn has completed Annual Internal Review and will send copies to commissioners for review.
- Women's Hall of Fame Discussion about revising nomination form, possible PSA and other avenues for advertising. June 30 would be deadline for turning in nominations, with event in Sept. or October.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEM:

- Invite City Staff to speak about women to women mentorship
- Invite City Staff to speak about flood victims

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

ADJOURN: Commissioner Cuba moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:36pm, seconded by Commissioner Torres. Motion was approved without objection. Chair Welborn adjourned the meeting.