



**Commission for Women
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
September 2, 2015**

The Commission for Women convened in a regular meeting on September 5, 2015 at Terrazas Library, 1105 Cesar Chavez, Austin, TX

Chair Julia Cuba Lewis called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Julia Cuba-Lewis, Karen Temborius, LaKisha Thigpen, Ana Defrates, Flannery Bope, Amanda Lewis, Ginny Lewis,

Staff in Attendance: Sandra Adame

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Commission members were asked to review minutes from the regular meeting on August 5, 2015. Commissioner Flannery Bope moved to approve the August 5 minutes. Commissioner Amanda Lewis seconded. Motion passed with no objection.

NEW BUSINESS

- Proposal to create community conversation on women and leadership - Two spokespersons for the Girl Scouts were present and discussed an initiative that would involve interviewing women from all spans of careers and create an awareness that women lead in jobs and personal roles and don't even realize it. A possibility they mentioned would be to have stories and videos with hashtag: #thisishowilead. The Girl Scouts group is planning meetings to start interviewing women in traditional leadership roles first. One of these meetings is planned to be held at Town Lake Center, and the commissioners were invited. A working group was formed for Women in Leadership initiative. This group consists of Flannery Bope, Karen Temborius, Amanda Lewis, and Ana Defrates
- Election of representative for the Joint Inclusion Committee- Commissioner Ginny Lewis motioned that Commissioner Amanda Lewis be the representative for the Joint Inclusion committee. Commissioner Flannery Bope seconded the motion. The motion passed with no objection.
- SB1191 and the demand for rape kits in Austin – Discussion about exams being solely done at Safe Place and the changes that are taking place. Commissioner Amanda Lewis works at Safe Place and will update later with more specific information. Flannery Bope voted to invite a representative from APD and/ or Safe Place to the Nov. meeting. Ana Defrates seconded. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

- Bylaws – Commissioner Flannery Bope motioned that the Bylaws pass with the template provided by the City Clerk's office. Commissioner Amanda Lewis seconded. Motion passed with no objection.

ADJOURN: Commissioner Flannery Bope moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:17 pm, seconded by Commissioner Amanda Lewis. Motion was approved without objection. Chair Julia Cuba-Lewis adjourned the meeting.

