



# Women's Commission

County of  
Santa Cruz

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## Meeting Minutes

Date: March 16, 2017  
Place: 701 Ocean Street, Room 510, Santa Cruz, CA  
Present: Sheila De Lany, Margaret Barr, Laura Cross, Anita Alvarez, Carole McPherson, Sonia Banovac, Bonnie Keet  
Absent: *Melanie Martinez*  
Excused: Marissa Fullum-Campbell, Maria Barranco  
Staff: Aimee Mangan, Coordinator and Angela Taylor, Intern  
Guests: None

1.0 Roll Call/ Introductions

2.0 Agenda Review

3.0 Approval of February Minutes:  
Not completed. Will be completed by April 20<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

4.0 Correspondence:  
Distributed.

5.0 Oral Communications:  
None.

6.0 Vacancies:  
None.

7.0 Report from Commissions Coordinator:  
Will be moving upstairs in approximately one month. Discussion about providing a safe space for women who come in with sensitive issues. Space is available downstairs in Commissions office if such a need arises or a meeting space is needed for subcommittees or work groups.

8.0 Reports from Committees

8.1 SOWAG (Status on Women and Girls) Report

8.1.1 Updating Healthcare Section:

- a.) Commissioner DeLany wants to make sure this receives attention.
- b.) Commissioner Barr willing to be part of a sub-committee.

8.1.2 Homelessness Section:

- a.) Intern Taylor provided update: six interviews completed to date and one focus group conducted.
- b.) Difficulty engaging South County agencies. Commissioners discussed importance of including this underserved and underrepresented area. Contacts, suggestions and support provided.
- c.) Sub-committee formed to support Intern in coding interviews: Commissioners DeLany, Alvarez and Coordinator signed up and meeting scheduled.
- d.) Suggestion to invite Robyn McKeen, Smart Solutions to Homelessness to speak about

Coordinated Care System at an upcoming Women's Commission. Intern Taylor will extend an invitation.

8.2 Trailblazers:

8.2.1 Event Format:

Commissioners provided Coordinator with suggestions to offer the Clerk of the Board.

8.2.2 Reception:

Commissioners signed up to solicit specific donations and take on related tasks.

8.2.3 Art Wall:

Commissioner Keet praised for engaging Art Wall display.

8.3 Public Awareness

8.3.1 Social Media: Facebook page updated with Art Wall Display photos by Commissioner Cross.

8.3.2 Brochure:

a.) Commissioner Cross given positive feedback for updating brochure. Minor revisions suggested.

b.) Commissioners asked to take brochure home and review it before next meeting for further refinement.

8.3.3 Commission History:

Commissioner McPherson working on scrapbook.

8.3.4 Exhibit Wall:

Completed.

9.0 New Business

9.1 Grants and other Opportunities:

Community Foundation of Santa Cruz has two windows of time to apply. Suggestion to possibly have a Commissioner, Coordinator and Intern apply for a grant in the future.

10.0 Announcements:

a.) Nexties Awards will be at the Rio on March 24<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Keet advocating that next year's Awards focus on a civil service innovator.

11.0 Adjournment at 7:44pm

Respectfully Submitted,  
Aimee Mangan, Commission Coordinator