

JUNE 24, 2019 MEETING MINUTES 4:35 PM



Mayor's Commission on the Status of Women

Commissioners Meeting called to order at 4:35PM

Donna Kuldau, CHAIR
Jaynelle Pemberton, VICE CHAIR
Patricia DeWitt, Commissioner
Anji Easterday, Commissioner
Sabrina Edwards, Commissioner – Excused
Ashlie Empleo, Commissioner
Shawna Grant, Commissioner
Demika Jackson, Commissioner
Lorna Matos, Commissioner – Excused
Tammy D. Taylor, Commissioner
Sheila Spivey, UNF – Ex-officio Member
Eileen Rodden, Women's Ctr – Ex-officio Member

Staff

Barbara Florio – Liaison
Julie Ann Riviera – MCSW Staff Support

Guest Attendees

Veronica Tutt is currently the Chair of ESGR, Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve, and President of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Jacksonville Chapter.
Lynn Shad is a staff person at Morgan Stanley and was part of the 1st Mayor's Commission on the Status of Women.
Catherine Burns, Assistant to Lynn Shad at Morgan Stanley and Chairperson of the Fresh Minds Junior League.

Approval of Minutes

April 22, 2019 minutes were reviewed and approved.
Motion to approve: Commissioner Anji Easterday
Motion seconded: Commissioner Ashlie Empleo

Approved Unanimously

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Chair Report

Chair Donna Kuldau reported the Commission 2019-2020 program selection is finalized. Annual retreat was in May and during the meeting Commissioners voted on Mental Wellness Relevant to Women as the New Year focus. The focus for the past two years had been Women's Equal Pay. The Commission created Committees and they will report progress on a monthly basis. Vice Chair Pemberton will chair July's meeting and in August there will be Commission elections with the new slate of officers beginning September.

Committee Reports

- **Governance** – Chair Kuldau reported the Committee will meet in July and discuss nominations.

- Advocacy and Education – Vice Chair Pemberton reported the Committee has not met. They will work on getting speakers for the meeting and will tap into Commissioner Grant's hospital contacts.
- Communication – Commissioner Grant reported they plan on creating a Women's Organizations database and have FSCJ students assist in its managing. They will solicit volunteers from several of the High School programs. The Committee would like to upload contacts on the MCSW website with 1-800 numbers and resources and have members promote the website. Initiate a red table style roundtable discussion with mental health professionals and have pictures and videos of the events. Create a hashtag for social media and a posting calendar for MCSW approval. Promote the Women Up event and have pre-selected professionals for the workshops. Create tracks for professionals and for the public with the possibility of professionals being able to receive CEU credits.
- Events – Commissioner Taylor reported they outlined how the Committee will do everything from sign in sheets to clean up.

Chair Kuldau reminded the Commission their goal is to raise awareness of the issue, highlight the services and the avenues for help available and advise the Mayor of what is going affecting the Women in Jacksonville. Speakers are to be geared toward the topic Women's Mental Wellness and the group focus needs to be narrowed down by August.

Vice Chair Pemberton stated Committees need to keep in mind what they will be reporting back to the Mayor, the goal and how they are measuring it. Communications will need to develop a draft schedule of a plan with milestones and goals.

Commissioner DeWitt indicated she would like to learn more of the topic before making a focused decision. Commissioner Jackson will email Liaison Florio information regarding Mental Wellness topics.

Liaison Florio indicated Mental Wellness may be tied to the past topic and the board may utilize advisory groups to contribute to some of the committees.

New Business

Liaison Florio reported the Governance Committee met and revised the By-Laws. Commissioners should review the by-laws and if they have any edits or issues they need to get them to the Liaison. Edits and changes will be considered by the Governance Committee and the final bylaws will be sent out with the July meeting board packet. The revised by-laws have been brought into alignment with the Executive Order. In the July meeting the Commission will take action on the by-laws.

Unfinished Business

Meeting Closure

Chair Kuldau thanked everyone for their help and continued support.

Meeting adjourned at 5:26PM



CERTIFICATION

Recorded and Transcribed by:

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Julie Ann Rivera
MCSW Staff Support

Submitted by:

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Barbara Florio
MCSW Board Liaison

Approved by:

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Donna Kuldau, Chair

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