



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION FOR
WOMEN**

**500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 372
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012
<http://LACCW.lacounty.gov>**

Monday, February 13, 2017

9:30 AM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (17-0918)

Attachments: [AUDIO](#)

Call to Order. (17-0519)

President Alice S. Petrossian called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.

Roll Call. (17-0520)

Roll Call was performed by staff.

Present: President Alice S. Petrossian, Vice President Ana Maria Garcia, Treasurer Nancy Cohen Ph.D., Commissioner Carolyn Aoki-Hyatt, Commissioner Maria Calix, Commissioner Dora de la Rosa,, Commissioner Karriann Farrell Hinds, Commissioner Gerda Govine Ed.D., Commissioner Barbara Kappos LCSW, Commissioner Lindsay Louie and Commissioner Becky A. Shevlin

Excused: Commissioner Irma Archuleta and Commissioner Imelda Padilla

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Approval of Minutes for the meeting of January 9, 2017. (17-0521)

On motion of Becky A. Shevlin, seconded by Vice President Ana Maria Garcia, this item was approved with the following vote:

Ayes: 9 - President Alice S. Petrossian, Vice President Ana Maria Garcia, Treasurer Nancy Cohen Ph.D., Commissioner Carolyn Aoki-Hyatt, Commissioner Dora de la Rosa,, Commissioner Karriann Farrell Hinds, Commissioner Gerda Govine Ed.D., Commissioner Barbara Kappos LCSW and Commissioner Becky A. Shevlin

Abstentions: 1 - Commissioner Lindsay Louie

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Maria Calix

Excused: 2 - Commissioner Irma Archuleta and Commissioner Imelda Padilla

Attachments: [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

2. Discussion and appropriate action to allocate funds to purchase lapel pins for distribution at the CW's Women of the Year Awards and Scholarship luncheon, scheduled to be held on Monday, March 13, 2017. (17-0522)

After a brief discussion, on motion of Commissioner Maria Calix, seconded by Commissioner Gerda Govine, Ed.D., unanimously carried, the CW approved allocating funds to purchase lapel pins for distribution at the March 13, 2017 Women of the Year Awards and Scholarship luncheon, in an amount not to exceed \$1,500.

3. Discussion and appropriate action regarding allocating funds from the undesignated fund account to purchase personalized pins, for the CW Commissioners to wear when representing the Commission at events. (17-0823)

On motion of Commissioner Becky A. Shevlin, seconded by Commissioner Gerda Govine, Ed.D., unanimously carried, the CW approved allocating funds from the CW undesignated fund account to purchased personalized for the CW Commissioners to wear to Commission events, in an amount not to exceed \$500.

II. REPORTS

4. President's Report. (17-0523)

President Petrossian reported that Fifth District Supervisor, Kathryn Barger has informed her that she will be the CW's liaison to the Women and Girls Initiative Council.

5. Executive Committee Report. (17-0524)

President Petrossian reported that the Executive Committee met and discussed the WOY luncheon and the meeting agenda. She also reported that Second District Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas confirmed that the Second District will make a \$5,000 donation and purchase the flowers for the WOY luncheon event.

6. Treasurer's Report. (17-0525)

Treasurer Cohen, Ph.D., gave a brief update on the Commission's finances. She reported that the Commission's budget is on track and looks good moving forward.

7. Staff Report. (17-0526)

Staff reported that the CW has received a \$3,000 sponsorship donation from Charles Drew University, and Farmers Insurance is considering making a \$2,000 donation as well. Staff also reported that President Petrossian and Commissioner Kappos have purchased ten tickets each for the WOY luncheon. Kaiser Permanente and Murad will provide promotional items for inclusion in the goodie bags; and the interns that the Commission requested are now onboard.

8. Education Committee Report. (17-0527)

There was no report presented.

9. Health Committee Report. (17-0528)

There was no report presented.

10. Public Relations and Social Media Committee Report. (17-0529)

There was no report presented.

11. Violence Against Women and Girls Committee Report. (17-0530)

Commissioner Kappos reported that she met with former CW Commissioner Olivia Rodriguez and discussed the March 3, 2017 Breakfast Briefing meeting. The Committee will focus on three topics, the Homeless Initiative, Immigration Issues and Funding. She also reported that a survey will be conducted following the meeting to find out the topics that the attendees would cover at the next Breakfast Briefing meeting.

12. Policy and Legislation Committee Report. (17-0531)

There was no report presented.

13. Women of the Year Committee Report. (17-0532)

Vice President Garcia reported that the WOY Committee will teleconference every Thursday at 10:00 a.m. to discuss sponsorship and how to increase ticket sales. The WOY Committee should discuss strategies on increasing sales at sponsorship at the August 2017 Retreat meeting.

14. Update on the Mount Saint Mary's University's Report on the Status of Women and Girls in Los Angeles County.

- Commissioner Nancy L. Cohen, Ph.D. (17-0829)

Treasurer, Cohen, Ph.D., reported that the MSMU report will be completed in time for the March 13, 2017 WOY luncheon. She also asked Commissioners to contact her if they are interested in volunteering assist with finalizing the MSMU report.

President Petrossian expressed her gratitude for Treasurer Cohen's hard work and dedication on this project.

15. Update on the Women and Girls Initiative Council. (17-0533)

President Petrossian reported that she was accepted an offer from Fifth District Supervisor Kathy Barger, to serve as a liaison/member of the Women and Girls Initiative Council.

III. DISCUSSIONS

16. Discussion and appropriate action regarding CW Commissioners attending the Association of California Commissions for Women Annual Conference in Santa Barbara, California. (17-0822)

Treasurer Cohen, Ph.D., reported that the ACCW conference is scheduled to be held on Saturday, April 1, 2017 in Santa Barbara, CA. Commissioners will submit a one page summary of the CW's successes and celebration for distribution at the conference. Commissioner Garcia and Treasurer Cohen, Ph.D., will do a presentation on violence, health and education as it pertains to women (Break-out group discussion).

17. Discussion and appropriate action regarding CW Commissioners attending the Mount Saint Mary's University 6th Annual Report on the Status of Women and Girls in California, scheduled to be held at the Skirball Cultural Center, Los Angeles, CA, on Thursday, March 23, 2017. (17-0824)

After a discussion on Commissioners attending the Mount Saint Mary's University 6th Annual Report on the Status of Women and Girls in California, President Petrossian, Vice President Garcia and Commissioners Kappos, Hinds and Calix stated that they plan on attending the Mount St. Mary's March 23, 2017 event.

18. Discussion and appropriate action regarding the CW supporting and potentially sponsoring the Mount Saint Mary's University's Ready to Run Women's Leadership training, scheduled to be held at the Mount Saint Mary's University's Doheny Campus, Los Angeles, CA, on Saturday, April 8, 2017, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000. (17-0825)

Commissioner Hinds provided a brief overview of the Mount Saint Mary's University Ready to Run Non Partisan Campaign Training for Women. She stated that the event is scheduled to be held on Saturday, April 8, 2017 At Mount Saint Mary's University Doheny Campus; the training session is intended to assists women who are interested in seeking appointment to elected office get familiar with the processes of and overcoming/ dealing with the challenges of being an elected official. Attendance is anticipated to be approximately 300.

She also stated that the training session is consistent with the Commission's effort in "Educating, Motivating and Inspiring Women", and asks that the CW become a sponsor of the event.

After discussion on the Ready to Run Training Session, on motion of Treasurer Nancy L. Cohen, Ph.D., seconded by Vice President Ana Maria Garcia, unanimously carried, the Commission approved \$1,000, to become a sponsor of the Mount Saint Mary's University Ready to Run Non Partisan Campaign Training for Women, from the CW undesignated fund.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

19. Commissioners update on meeting with their appointing supervisor of their staff. (17-0826)

President Petrossian encouraged all Commissioners to keep in contact with their appointing Supervisors

Matters Not Posted

- 20. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (17-0535)

There were no matters presented for a future agenda.

Public Comment

- 21. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (17-0536)

Dr. Genevieve Clavreul addressed the Commission.

Adjournment

- 22. Adjournment for the meeting of Monday, February 13, 2017. (17-0537)

There being no further business, President Petrossian adjourned the meeting of February 13, 2017 at 11:37 a.m.