



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION FOR
WOMEN
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 372
LOS ANGELES CA 90012**

Monday, June 11, 2012

10:00 AM

AUDIO LINK OF THE ENTIRE MEETING. (12-2813)

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Present: Vice President Bobbi Jean Tanberg, Commissioner Ruth V. Creary Ph.D., Commissioner Martha E. Escandón M.B.A., Commissioner Norma L. Gallegos, Commissioner Govine Ed.D., Commissioner Alice S. Petrossian, Commissioner Olivia G. Rodriguez and Commissioner Becky A. Shevlin

Absent: Commissioner Michelle Piñedo

Excused: Commissioner Reiko Duba, Commissioner Charlotte Lesser and Commissioner Veda E. Ward Ph.D.

Call to Order. (12-2487)

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Tanberg at 10:06 a.m.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Certificate of Appreciation Presentation by Vice President Bobbi Jean Tanberg. (12-2624)

Vice President Tanberg presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Rhonda Rangel, former staff member for the Commission. A certificate was available for past President Yolanda Becerra-Jones. However, she was not in attendance to receive her certificate.

2. Approval of Minutes from the meeting of May 14, 2012. (12-2494)

Commissioner Gallegos, requested that the Minutes for Item 9 of the May 14, 2012 meeting reflect a change of the event date to July 9, 2012.

After discussion, on motion of Commissioner Creary, Ph.D., seconded by Commissioner Shevlin, this item was approved as amended by the following vote:

- Ayes:** 6 - Vice President Bobbi Jean Tanberg, Commissioner Martha E. Escandón M.B.A., Commissioner Norma L. Gallegos, Commissioner Govine Ed.D., Commissioner Olivia G. Rodriguez and Commissioner Becky A. Shevlin
- Abstentions:** 1 - Commissioner Ruth V. Creary Ph.D.
- Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Alice S. Petrossian and Commissioner Michelle Piñedo
- Excused:** 3 - Commissioner Reiko Duba, Commissioner Charlotte Lesser and Commissioner Veda E. Ward Ph.D.

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3. Report from Ad-Hoc Nominating Committee Chair, Charlotte Lesser on the 2012-2014 Slate of Officers. (12-2342)
- Vice President Tanberg submitted the slate for the offices of President, Vice President and Treasurer.**

Following discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, the Slate of Officers was approved.

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4. Election and approval of the 2012-2014 Commission for Women Officers. (12-2343)
- Following discussion, on motion of Commissioner Olivia G. Rodriguez, seconded by Commissioner Ruth V. Creary, Ph.D., unanimously carried, (Commissioners Michelle Piñedo, Reiko Duba, Charlotte Lesser and Commissioner Veda Ward, Ph.D. being absent), the slate of office nominations was approved as submitted, with Commissioner Ward, Ph.D. for President; Commissioner Becky A. Shevlin for Vice President and Commissioner Martha E. Escandon, MBA for Treasurer.**

5. Approval of Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Commission for Women Meeting Calendar as submitted by staff. (12-2523)

Vice President Tanberg noted specific areas of the calendar that Commissioners may wish to pay special attention. During discussion, the Commission for Women retreat was proposed for August 2012. The retreat date will be determined at the July meeting.

After discussion, on motion of Commissioner Shevlin, seconded by Commissioner Govine, Ed.D., this item was approved.

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II. SET MATTERS

6. SET ITEM 10:45 A.M.

Presentation by Ellen Sanchez, Executive Director/CEO of Girls and Gangs, on girls in the Juvenile Justice System. (Continued from the meeting of April 9, 2012) Vice President Tanberg requests this item be taken off calendar. (12-1460)

This item was taken off calendar.

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III. REPORTS

7. Staff report on Commission member status of reappointments as requested by Commissioner Creary. (12-0634)

Emma De Jesus, Commission Services staff, reported the following:

- 1. She contacted the First and Third Supervisorial Districts regarding current vacancies on the Commission for Women Roster;**
- 2. Fourth District submitted Carolyn Aoki-Hyatt as a nominee for appointment to the Commission;**
- 3. As a result of amendment to the "Statement of Procedures, a quorum is established by having seven of the twelve Commissioners in attendance.**

During discussion staff explained the process pertaining to the reappointment of Commissioners, their term limits and the reason why it is necessary to waive term limits on certain Commissions.

8. Health Committee Update Report as submitted by Commissioner Creary. (Continued from the meeting of May 14, 2012.) (12-2133)

Commissioner Creary submitted her report for comments from Commission members. She added the Second District held their annual Health Education Project titled, "Women Health Project" on May 23, 2012 to her report.

She noted, she was the current Chair for the Health Committee. However, since the new President will need to appoint a new Chair for the Committee, there may not be another meeting for a while.

After discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, the item was received and filed.

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IV. DISCUSSIONS

9. Discussion of Executive Committee Criteria update on the use of additional funds not included in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Commission for Women Trust Fund budget. (Continued from meetings of 07/11/11, 08/08/11, 11/14/11, 01/09/12, 02/13/12, 04/09/12 and 5/14/12) (11-3206)

Emma De Jesus, Commission Services Staff, gave a description on the origin of the additional funds in the amount of \$31,578.92.

After discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, this item was continued to a possible Commission retreat in August 2012.

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10. Discussion on the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Commission for Women budget. (12-2530)

Emma De Jesus, Commission Services Staff, gave a description on the origin of the additional funds in the amount of \$31,578.92.

Vice President Bobbi Jean Tanberg directed staff to coordinate a meeting with the Commission's Treasurer and the Executive Office's fiscal services section to get a better understanding of the budget process; she also ask the Treasurer to be prepared to present an orientation on this matter at the next Commission meeting.

After discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, this item was continued to a possible Commission retreat in August 2012.

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V. MISCELLANEOUS

11. Announcements from Commissioners. (12-2626)

Commissioner Shevlin announced the Girls and Gangs Violence Intervention Training Program in the Los Angeles Area, Monrovia, Duarte and Arcadia. The attendees were trained as intervention workers in gang violence and have created a mediation team and the program will go through August 2012.

Commissioner Rodriguez thanked the Commission for Women for allocating the Domestic Violence Handbook in Spanish and English to seven (7) County Departments, Loyola Law Schools, and faithbased organizations. Vice President Tanberg requested staff provide a link from the Commission for Women website regarding the handbooks to the Domestic Violence Council.

Commissioner Creary, Ph.D. announced April as National Autism Awareness Month, Public Health Week from April 2 to 8, 2012 and Infant Immunization Week from April 21 to April 28, 2012.

Commissioner Escandon announced the Empowerment Congress Dialogue will be held on July 14, 2012 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Child Guidance Clinic which is located across from the Coliseum. It will present "solution to bridge mental health disparities". She attended the Leadership Tomorrow Workshop by the Quality and Productivity Commission on May 23, 2012. She also provided a reference link for use by the Commissioners (<http://qpc.co.la.ca.us>).

Commissioner Petrossian reminded Commissioners of the Commission for Women Scholarship Event next week. She will not be in attendance for the July meeting, she is going to Armenia to assist needy schools and villages and distribute school supplies to the children in need.

Commissioner Gallegos announced on July 28, 2012 the State of California Employment and Development Department along with Assemblyman Fuentes will collect items for the Third District Back to School event. The Back to School event for the distribution of school supplies will be held on August 11, 2012.

Vice President Tanberg asked Commissioners to submit items for discussion seven (7) days before the meeting. She also announced phone calls were made to the recipients to discuss the dress code. Emma De Jesus, staff reported that recipients should dress in business attire.

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Matters Not Posted

- 12.** Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Committee, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action arose subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (Continued from the meeting of April 9, 2012) (12-1280)

The following items were introduced for discussion and placed on the agenda for consideration at a future meeting.

- 12A.** Recommendation as requested by Commissioners Creary, Escandon and Rodriguez: Presentation by Sheriff Leroy Baca on the following:

1. Data on the ratio of men vs. women in the jails;
2. The status of women on early release from jail;
3. The realignment issue within the Sheriff's Department; and
4. The batterers' treatment program in Los Angeles County. (12-2847)

By common consent, there being no objection, the item was introduced for discussion and placed on a future agenda.

Public Comment

- 13.** Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (12-2489)

Genevieve Clavreul, a member of the public addressed the Commission.

Adjournment

- 14.** Adjournment for the meeting of Monday, June 11, 2012. (12-2491)

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.