



Alameda County Commission on the Status of Women Meeting Minutes



Wednesday, February 14, 2024 @ 6:30-7:30 PM

The mission of the Alameda County Commission on the Status of Women (COSW) is to represent the women of Alameda County in maximizing social equality and parity for women of all ages in such areas as housing, employment, health services, child care, elder care, education, transportation, credit, legal rights, and community services.

| COMMISSION MEMBERS | |
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| Nina Senn, Chair - PRESENT | Conference of Mayors |
| Vacant, Vice Chair | TBD |
| Aida Sizova, Secretary - PRESENT | District 3 |
| Vacant, Treasurer | TBD |
| Shanta Franco-Clausen, Member at Large - PRESENT | District 2 |
| Orly Amey - PRESENT | District 1 |
| Guadalupe Angulo - ABSENT | District 2 |
| Khilynn Fowler - PRESENT | District 3 |
| Patricia M. Castro - PRESENT | District 3 |
| Carlotta Brown - ABSENT | District 4 |
| Kathryn Lybarger - PRESENT | District 5 |
| Susan Burgess-Lent - PRESENT | District 5 |
| Vacant | District 1 |
| Vacant | District 1 |
| Vacant | District 2 |
| Vacant | District 4 |
| Vacant | District 4 |
| Vacant | District 5 |
| Vacant | Human Relations Commission |

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| Item No. | Topics |
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| 1. | <p>Call to Order & Welcome Community Agreements Review Transitions</p> <p>Chair Senn called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m., acknowledged the existence of the COSW's Community Agreements, and shared that Erin Scott has resigned from the commission.</p> |
| 2. | <p>Approval of Minutes</p> <p>Chair Senn motioned to approve the minutes from the January 10, 2024 Regular Meeting. Commissioner Burgess-Lent seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.</p> <p>Chair Senn motioned to approve the minutes from the November 8, 2023 Regular Meeting. Commissioner Burgess-Lent seconded the motion. The votes were as follows, and the motion passed:</p> <p>Senn: Yes Sizova: Yes Franco-Clausen: Yes Amey: Yes Fowler: Yes Castro: Abstain Lybarger: Yes Burgess-Lent: Yes</p> <p>Chair Senn motioned to approve the minutes from the October 11, 2023 Regular Meeting. Commissioner Amey seconded the motion. The votes were as followed, and the motion passed:</p> <p>Senn: Yes Sizova: Yes Franco-Clausen: Yes Amey: Yes Fowler: Yes Castro: Abstain Lybarger: Abstain Burgess-Lent: Abstain</p> <p>Chair Senn motioned to approve the minutes from the August 24, 2023 Special Meeting. Commissioner Burgess-Lent seconded the motion. The votes were as follows, and the motion passed:</p> <p>Senn: Yes Sizova: Yes Franco-Clausen: Yes Amey: Yes Fowler: Abstain Castro: Abstain</p> |

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| | <p>Lybarger: Abstain Burgess-Lent: Abstain</p> <p>The notes from the March 8, 2023 Retreat were not able to be located at this time.</p> |
| <p>3.</p> | <p>Commissioner Announcements and Updates</p> <p>Commissioners voted on new interim officer(s) who wil serve through the June COSW election: Orly Amey – Vice Chair; Kathryn Lybarger – Treasurer. Chair Senn motioned to approve the nominees, and Commissioner Burgess-Lent seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>Chair Senn shared timing of COSW events for Q1 and Q2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ COSW presentation to the Social Services Committee – February 26 ○ Women’s History Month – March 8 (DEI) ○ COSW Retreat – March 23 ○ WHOF 2024 – May 2024 ○ Legislative Breakfast – TBD ○ Nominations – May ○ Recess in August, December <p>Chair Senn reminded commissioners about the Commissioner Orientation and that commissioners must be an active member of at least one committee.</p> |
| <p>4.</p> | <p>Grant Implementation - Reminder</p> <p>Chair Senn reminded the commission of the CCSW grant’s \$19K balance snd that a Grant Spend down extension was approved through 6/30/24</p> |
| <p>5.</p> | <p>Treasurer Report and Budget Request to BOS for funding to start Alameda County Office of Women’s Policy</p> <p>There was no update.</p> |
| <p>6.</p> | <p>Updates from Policy and Advocacy Subcommittee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● CEDAW Ordinance Update by Supervisor Tam’s staff <p>Chair Senn shared that the Policy and Advocacy Committee is absent a Committee Chair and that the COSW will continue to collaborate with Supervisor Tam’s office about advancing a countywide CEDAW ordinance</p> |
| <p>7.</p> | <p>COSW March 2024 Retreat</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Prep <p>Commissioner Franco-Clausen shared planning/coordination updates about the March retreat.</p> |

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| 8. | Agenda Building and Follow-up: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Follow-up SSC Meeting, CEDAW Ordinance & Budget• Orientation• Vacancies (COSW) & Recruitment• 2024 Planning, e.g., collaboration on SSA legislative breakfast and WHOF• Timing of Guest speakers |
| 9. | Public Comment There were no comments from the public. |
| 10. | Adjournment Chair Senn adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m. |