

JANUARY 27, 2020

MEETING MINUTES 4:30 PM



Mayor's Commission on the Status of Women

Commissioners Meeting called to order at 4:33 PM

Jaynelle Pemberton, CHAIR
Patricia DeWitt, Commissioner
Ashlie Empleo, Commissioner
Shawna Grant, Commissioner
Demika Jackson, Commissioner
Lorna Matos, Commissioner
Tammy D. Taylor, Commissioner - **excused**
Sheila Spivey, UNF – Ex-officio Member - **excused**
Eileen Rodden, Women's Ctr – Ex-officio Member

Staff

Nicole Spradley – MCSW Staff Support

Guest Attendees

Approval of Minutes

December 9, 2019 minutes were reviewed and approved.

Motion to approve: Commissioner Matos

Motion seconded: Commissioner Grant

Public Comments

No public comment cards.

Guest Speaker

Judge Karen Cole discussed the importance of understanding and recognizing mental health in the judicial system. She spoke about meeting a Judge in Miami that implemented a program that was so successful that it led to closing one of the jails. Locally, the Duval County Behavioral Health Consortium was formed to discuss gaps in care. There are two comprehensive health facilities in Duval County that offer services at no cost and take walk ins.

Chair Report

Chair Pemberton presented Judge Cole with the Rosie award. Immediate Past MCSW Chair Donna Kuldau shared comments and accolades about Judge Cole and the Rosie Award.

Chair Pemberton reported that MCSW can set up a LinkedIn page.

Committee Reports

- **Governance** – Chair Grant reported that the Governance Committee met in January. Commissioner Taylor will now serve as 1st Vice Chair and Commissioner Jackson has been asked to serve as 2nd Vice Chair.

- Advocacy and Education – A joint Advocacy and Education and Events Committee meeting will be held on Friday, February 21st at 4pm at the Women’s Center of Jacksonville.
- Communications –The Communications Committee did not meet in January as intended. The next meeting has been scheduled for Monday, February 24th at 3:30pm on the 8th Floor of the Ed Ball Bldg. Commissioner Grant has been posting material on the social media page. Liaison Florio asked that Commissioners send all social media content to her or Nicole Spradley and not directly to Commissioner Grant.
- Events – The Events Committee did not meet in January as intended. Chair Pemberton recommended hosting another Courageous Communications event in March. Commissioner Rodden offered to reserve space at the Urban League office.

New Business

Chair Pemberton reminded Commissioners that the annual report is due to the Mayor in April or May. She asked the Committees to focus on organizing the Courageous Communication events and set goals that can be implemented in the annual report. Commissioner Grant will have a draft report prepared for the next Commission meeting.

Liaison Florio will email a copy of last year’s annual report to the Commissioners.

Commissioner Rodden will provide Nicole Spradley with the details for an event at the Hyatt on August 18th celebrating the 100th anniversary of women’s right to vote.

Unfinished Business

None.

Meeting adjourned at 5:28 PM

CERTIFICATION

Recorded and Transcribed by:

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Submitted by:

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Barbara Florio
MCSW Board Liaison

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Ashlie Empleo, Secretary

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