

Solano Commission for Women and Girls

AGENDA

January 19, 2023, 6:00 PM
601 Texas Street Fairfield, CA 94533
Conference Room B



Solano Commission
For Women And Girls

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MISSION

The mission of the Solano Commission for Women and Girls is to improve the economic status, health and social welfare, and overall quality of life for women and girls in Solano County.

CALL TO ORDER, WELCOME & ROLL CALL

6:00 p.m.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

This is your opportunity to address the Commission on matters not listed on the agenda, but within the subject matter jurisdiction of the SCWG. Please limit your comments to three minutes.

1. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda, Approval of the Agenda
2. Approval of the November 17th, 2022 SCWG Meeting Minutes

REGULAR CALENDAR

3. Treasurers Report – **Informational**
 - a. Friends of the Commission update and upcoming meeting on January 31st
4. Women’s History Month 2023/Solano Women of the Year Events and activities
 - a. Selection Committee and timeline
 - b. Application distribution
 - c. Subcommittee meeting scheduled
5. Set Commission Priorities for 2023 – **Planning**
 - a. Review of the mission and purpose of Commission
6. Meet your Mentor/ Commission Sister
 - a. Team building exercises
7. Items for Consideration on February Agenda and speaker suggestions
8. Closing Thoughts and Commissioner Comments

8 p.m. ADJOURN - Next Meeting is February 16th



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CALL TO ORDER, WELCOME & ROLL CALL 6:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Mary Henderson
Sullina Sanchez
Jennifer Hamilton
Jacqui Nguyen
Miki Paul
Pat Nicodemus
Patricia Kohn
Dr. Tiffani Thomas
Edith Thomas
Sofia Cruz
Andrea Lemos

Executive Committee

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| Solano County, District 1 | |
| Solano County, District 3 | |
| Solano County, District 4 | Chair |
| Solano County, District 5 | Secretary |
| City of Benicia | |
| City of Dixon | Co-Chair |
| City of Rio Vista | Treasurer |
| City of Suisun | Co-Chair |
| City of Vacaville | |
| City of Vallejo | |
| Solano County Office of Education | Membership |

Absent:

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| Ana Petero | Solano County, District 2 |
| Rechelle Nettles | City of Fairfield |
| Bonika Gudeta | Youth Commissioner |

Guests:

Frances McCullough – Friends of the SCWG
Kimberlee Staking (volunteer)

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Michelle Coleman resigned from the At-large position.

1. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda, Approval of the Agenda
2. Approval of the October 20th, 2022 SCWG Meeting Minutes **REGULAR CALENDAR**
3. Treasurer's Report – **Commissioner Kohn**
4. Friends of the Solano Commission for Women and Girls Report – Chair Hamilton

Chair Hamilton explained and shared that there is an opportunity for a member of the SCWG to come on board with "Friends." Discussion about the purpose of the Friends and explaining why it was important to have the Friends which is a fundraising arm of the SCWG. Also, SCWG has drafted a press release for distribution to local press to announce the "Friends" to the community.

5. Women's History Month 2023 Solano Women of the Year Application
 - a. Selection Committee and timeline - Chair Hamilton said she would like to leave it to the Selection Committee to decide how many honorees will be selected.
 - b. Application for review and approval – Unanimous approval of the application. Commissioner Thomas made a motion to move forward with the application. Commissioner Cruz made a motion to second. A question is asked for clarification if the honoree/nominee's past history or current history. Dr. McCullough suggests offering a theme "National Women's History Alliance" which is a local group based in Santa Rosa. Suggestion also made that the Selection Committee remains anonymous. Also, a suggestion was made that Commissioners cannot nominate friends and Commissioners cannot be nominated. The October Anniversary event is an opportunity to nominate current and past Commissioners. Unanimous approval of the application.

6. Work Group Discussions: **Information, Planning**

Chair Hamilton shared that Commissioners be on the lookout for an email if there is an interest being on the Planning Committee for the March event.

a. **Birth Justice Event (Henderson):** meeting every two weeks and going well. Discussion about dynamic panelists. Virtual event: Friday, May 5 an in-person event is Saturday, May 6. The change in dates is to accommodate Mother's Day event. Still seeking a venue for an in-person. Suggestion for venue: Solano County Library and Chair Lemos says she'll check this venue. Attendees: expectation of 100. Chair Hamilton also suggested the Solano County Events Center and the advantage is that this venue is free and can hold 250 attendees. Commissioner Henderson says discussion was made to have a letter from the "Friends" seeking donations. Virtual topics (May 5): Education, Health Equity, Doula Program, Expertise Panel, and Post-partum support. In-person event (May 6): Planning a Baby Shower. Commissioner Cruz will be creating a Save the Date for the 2023 event. Next meeting is scheduled Tuesday, December 6 from 6-7PM, virtual platform. Commissioner Nettles send the emails. Chair Hamilton made a request for everyone to be invited to the Planning Committee and suggested to use the Calendar invite feature.

b. **Public Safety (fentanyl/ opioid)** - Speaker coming in 2023 and more information to come.

c. **Legislative** – Chair Hamilton shared the Packet of Legislation for legislative advocacy. SCWG is an advisory for the County so we can only advocate for legislative that is relevant to Solano County. Chair Hamilton and Co-Chair Nicodemus will work to share the way on how to track state legislation.

d. **Set our Priorities for 2023 – Survey** – Chair Hamilton would like to reassess the Commission's priorities. She handed out a Priorities and Assessment Survey. Pick 3 topics and submit to Chair Hamilton at tonight's meeting.

e. **Set recurring meetings and shared calendar for working groups in 2023**

7. Meet your Mentor/Commission Sister – Chair Hamilton would like for Commissioners to consider pairing up with a mentor/mentee relationship.

8. Items for Consideration on December Agenda – Chair Hamilton says she will release the results of the Priorities Survey for 2023 and the Commission will vote on the 2023 Priorities. The potluck will end the final Commission meeting of the Year. Request for all Commissioners to bring a food item to share. Two positions remain open – At-Large and Youth Member.

9. Closing Thoughts and Commissioner Comments – Round robin on what Commissioners are grateful for.

ADJOURN – 7:47PM

Next Meeting is December 15th – Holiday Potluck after Commission Business

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Solano Commission for Women and Girls 2023
Priorities and Assessment Survey

Please choose your top three priorities for the SCWG for 2023, labeling them 1,2,3:

_____ Civic Engagement – political representation

_____ Child Abuse

_____ Domestic Violence

_____ Disabilities

_____ Women’s Health Issues and Outcomes

_____ Mental Health

_____ Poverty/Homelessness

_____ Legislative Advocacy

_____ Other: _____

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How much time do you have to give to SCWG outside of monthly commission meetings? (hours per week or month)

Are you interested with volunteering to help with our March events for Women’s History Month 2023? Yes Or No

Name: _____