



CITY OF GLENDALE CALIFORNIA
COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

Regular Meeting
MINUTES
June 8, 2009

1. ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by Chair Devine.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Devine, Goodman Pillsbury, Ketefian, Lemelle, Malakian, Marucut,
Sowby, Walker (6:38 p.m.)

ABSENT: Manasserian

STAFF: Baboosian, Cordova, Haddad, Varpetian

The Agenda for the June 8, 2009 meeting was posted on the Bulletin Board outside of City Hall on or before June 5, 2009.

2. INTRODUCTIONS & PRESENTATIONS

A. Catherine Yeh, Filmmaker: "Should've, Could've, Would've."

Ms. Yeh is a producer with Kaiser Permanente Multi Media Communication Department. Ms. Yeh wrote, directed and filmed this short clip of three young melanoma survivors sharing their experiences, and educating viewers to avoid the mistakes that nearly cost the survivors their lives.

This short film has received the American Academy of Dermatology 2009 Gold Triangle Award and is endorsed by the Melanoma Education Foundation (www.skincheck.org).

B. Dr. J. Martinez, Kaiser Permanente Chief of Dermatology: "Safe Sunning, Summer & Your Skin"

Dr. Martinez was not able to attend the meeting for his presentation.

3. ORAL COMMENT

Elizabeth Sadlon

Herbert Molano

4. CONSENT ITEMS

A. Approval of the minutes of Regular Commission Meeting held on May 11, 2009.

Commissioner Walker requested that all comments be included in Commissioner/Staff Comment section of the Agenda.

Motion – Sowby

Second – Lemelle

6-0-0 (Manasserian absent)

5. BUSINESS AGENDA

A. Action Items

1. Consideration and Discussion on Criteria for CSW Endorsement and Sponsorship of Local Events

Staff will return with a draft application form to present to the Commission.

2. Consideration and Discussion regarding Sponsorship of Regular Self-Defense Trainings for Path Achieve Glendale Residents and Staff.

Commissioner Goodman-Pillsbury will not vote on this issue due to conflict of interest.

Motion to fund two sessions with criteria being at least 15 persons, staff not included, and PATH Achieve is allowed to recruit from other Glendale homeless organizations.

Motion – Sowby

Second – Lemelle

Unanimous Consensus

3. Consideration and Discussion regarding the Establishment of the Gem Student Scholarship/Award

Staff advised the Commission if they wanted to establish the Gem Student Award into perpetuity City Council approval is required due to distribution of public funds.

Interview panel will consist of Commissioner's Goodman Pillsbury and Sowby.

Motion to support a one year \$1,000 Gem Award for a high school senior from Glendale with criteria outlined by Commissioner Malakian and staff.

Motion – Goodman Pillsbury

Second - Sowby

Unanimous Consensus

4. CSW Master Calendar of Events

Staff recommends that this calendar reflect events that the Commission is producing.

Ms. Romelia Markerian, of the Armenian American Medical Association Ladies Auxiliary of California will speak in July.

Dr. Law, of Verdugo Hills Hospital will speak in July regarding Scleroderma Awareness Month

Add October 6, at Verdugo Hills Hospital Osteoporosis Seminar from 6-8p.m.

Motion to accept the calendar as presented

Motion – Walker

Second – Sowby

Unanimous Consensus

B. Reports—Information Only

1. Commissioner Walker: ACCW Quarterly Meeting Report

Meeting was attended by 15 Commissioners from eight different Commissions; the first part of the meeting was usual ACCW business. Congratulations to Commissioner

Lemelle who was elected treasurer of ACCW. The key note speakers; Ms. Lark,

representative from Speaker Bass' office and a speaker from Community Health Councils Incorporated, spoke regarding Community Coalitions.

2. Update on National Vigil for Hope

Staff read into the record that 50 attendees were present at the National Vigil for Hope event. Also, in attendance were the family members of Amber Dubois, a 14 year old teen that has been missing since February 13, 2009.

3. Update 2nd Annual Women @ the Table: How (and Why) to Get Appointed to a City Board or Commission

Staff read into the record that the event was successful with over 30 attendees at Alex Theater. A panel of distinguished speakers that included new elected Glendale City Councilmember Laura Friedman, GUSD Boardmember Christine Walters, and GCC Board of Trustees member Ann Ransford. Former CSW member Nayiri Nahabedian, who is now a GUSD Boardmember, moderated the event.

6. COMMISSIONER/STAFF COMMENTS

Commissioner's presented Ms. Haddad with flowers and a plaque thanking her for all of her hard work and dedication to the Commission on the Status of Women.

Ms. Baboosian was welcomed to the Commission.

Commissioner Ketefian felt that the meeting was productive and a lot of important issues were decided on.

Commissioner Lemelle informed the audience that she was invited on a tour of USS Princeton along with Governor Schwarzenegger's office.

Commissioner Sowby congratulated the Armenian American Medical Association Ladies Auxiliary of California on their new project "Glendale Healthy Women" that will support the non-insured and under-insured women of Glendale.

Commissioner Walker attended the inaugural performance of the first Filipino-American Symphony Orchestra. Well wishes to Chief Randy Adams on his upcoming retirement, and thanked him for his diligence to the community.

Commissioner Malakian attended the Women @ the Table event; she felt it was very inspiring.

Commissioner Maracut thanked Commissioner Malakian for her proposal regarding the Gem Student Award.

Ms. Haddad thanked the Commission and staff for the opportunity to be of service.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.