



MINUTES

MAYOR'S COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (MCSW)

Monthly Meeting – Tuesday, June 4, 2013 – 12:00 Noon

Lawton City Hall 212 SW 9th Street, Lawton, OK 73501

Members Present: Christi Chamber, Rebecca McKeown, Alice Comb, Lucy Laird, Dr. Chearlene Glover Johnson, Ph.D., Patsy Hackworth, Ellouise Love,

Absent: Amy Ewing-Holmstrom; Edwina Riddick, Katie Noffske, Jenny Clement

I. CALL TO ORDER. The meeting was not called to order due to the lack of a quorum present. No action taken on any item.

II. Consider approval of May 7, 2013 meeting of the MCSW minutes. Minutes approved.

III. REPORTS:

A. CHAIRPERSON:

- Christi Chambers welcomed members to the meeting.
- Clarification needed on absentees and quorum.
- MCSW cannot continue meetings without having a quorum.
- Two names were submitted to City Council for approval. Cheryl Hankins, Jennifer Ellis.

B. FIRST VICE CHAIRPERSON: - Chearlene will have to wait until August to contact Dr. Johari. Cameron is out for summer.

C. SECOND VICE CHAIRPERSON – VACANT

D. TREASURER – Money (\$2400.00) is reimbursed by the city. All money left in account disappears at the end of June each year. Need to research the Purchase Order system to get items paid.

E. PARLIAMENTARIAN – Rebecca McKeown asked what constitutes a legitimate reason for being absent. Definition of an unexcused absent is when the member does not notify MCSW she will be absent. MCSW needs dedicated women in the organization that want to come to meetings.

- F. MEMBERSHIP – Two new members should be approved shortly. We should ask councilmen if they know anyone wanting to become a member. Which ward has vacancies? What about Fort Sill’s representative. McDaniel?

- G. PUBLICITY - No Report

- H. EDUCATION – No Report

- I. HISTORIAN – No Report

- J. OUTSTANDING CITIZEN – Will be awarded at June 11 at City Council Meeting. Donna Campos-Barahona is the recipient.

- K. DISCUSSION BY MEMBERS – What is our goal/mission/initiative(s)?
 - Educate women on employment, violence, crime. Education is inclusive. Give clothing for success on interviews/jobs. Secure speakers for educating women. Ellouise was aware of clothing give-a-way to women being released from prison. Will see it she can get more information. Consider making a resource manual for women in the community.

 - Health Care: Educate on obesity, nutrition, and wellness. CCMH has information on walking programs, racing, walking trails, hiking. PT with Marines is a positive force in the community.

 - Violence: Safety and security; self-awareness of crimes happening to you. Meet with Neighborhood watch in your community. Lucy invited members to her Neighborhood Watch meeting the last Thursday of the month at Almor West School at 6:00 p.m. MCMW could have citizens meet with Chief of police; have a city-wide Neighborhood Watch

 - Take our projects to City Council. Partner with other organizations. Ask question, “How can we do it better?” Maybe have a September meeting with Council in the banquet room.

IV. **OLD BUSINESS:**

- V. NEW BUSINESS: Girl Rising Movie. We were asked by the Mayor to help with this event and partner up with CCMH. MCMW needs more information to see what we as a group can do with this world-wide problem. A showing is scheduled June 26, at the Cache Road Theater. More information will follow from Christie.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Next MCSW Meeting: Noon, July 2, 2013 at City Hall, Room 202A.

VII. ADJOURNMENT 1:00 p.m.

Ellouise Love
Acting Secretary, MCWS