

MEETING MINUTES
ST. MARY'S COUNTY COMMISSION FOR WOMEN
MONDAY – JUNE 8, 2015
ROOM 14 * POTOMAC BUILDING
LEONARDTOWN, MARYLAND

CALL TO ORDER – The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m. (This is a recorded meeting)

ROLL CALL – Members present were Marta Kelsey – Chair, Elizabeth Servello – Vice Chair, Mary Ludwig, Katie Werner – Secretary, Norma Pipkin, Joanna Colvin, Makeba Atkins, Melissa Farren, and Diane Danaher. Stephanie Figeroux was excused. Department of Aging and Human Services staff member present was Amber Hebert – Human Services Office Manager.

OTHER ATTENDEES – Tamara Cherry-Clarke.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Motion to approve the May 11, 2015 minutes with amendments was made by Ms. Colvin and seconded by Ms. Farren, the motion passed.

BUDGET REPORT –

Account	Budget	Balance
Office Supplies	\$0	\$0
Printing	\$0	\$0
Supplies & Materials	\$168.00	\$0
Food	\$300.00	\$150.16
Other Contract Services	\$3,856.00	\$48.40
Copier Services	\$0	\$0
Conferences & Conventions	\$0	\$0
Awards	\$176.00	\$.50
Total	\$4500.00	\$199.06

- The budget amendment request will be presented to the Commissioners on June 16, 2015 moving funds to pay the scholarship fund and purchase giveaways.

DISCUSSION OF OLD BUSINESS –

- Emergency Toiletries Collection Update – Ms. Servello brought the toiletries to the meeting and commission members worked to fill the bags, Ms. Kelsey will deliver the bags for victims of domestic violence to the hospital.
- Retreat Update – Ms. Atkins is working to finalize the retreat agenda, the retreat will be at the Dorsey Law Firm on July 18, 2015 beginning at 8:30 a.m. in Leonardtown, Maryland.
- Commission Historian – Ms. Cherry-Clarke volunteered to be the Commission Historian and will give an update at the retreat.

DISCUSSION OF NEW BUSINESS –

- Family Violence Coordinating Council – The next FVCC meeting will be held July 22, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. in Room 14 of the Potomac Building. Ms. Ludwig will attend the July meeting.

- Wage Gap – The commission discussed reviewing the issue of wage gap within St. Mary’s County compared to the national average during the upcoming year. Ms. Kelsey suggested having Ms. Robin Finnacom attend a commission meeting to present information regarding this topic.
- Election 2015/2016 – Ms. Kelsey stated elections are coming up in July at the retreat. Members should send nominations to Ms. Kelsey for the Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary.
- St. Mary’s County Public Schools – Ms. Pipkin met with Mr. Wyant with the St. Mary’s Public Schools to discuss partnering again with the commission. Ms. Pipkin will keep the commission apprised of the outcome.
- August Meeting – Ms. Farren made a motion to cancel the August 10, 2015 meeting and Ms. Servello seconded, the motion passed.

NEXT MEETING – July 18, 2015, annual retreat and planning session at the Dorsey Law Firm in Leonardtown, Maryland at 8:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT –

- Ms. Werner made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 p.m. and Ms. Ludwig seconded, the motion passed.