

*St. Mary County
Commission for Women Minutes
March 20, 2006
Carter Building, 5:30pm*

Attendees: Maureen Johnson, Darlene Johnson, Marta Kelsey, Susan Wolf, and Andree Wells

Staff Liaison: Cynthia Brown, Division of Community Services

The meeting was convened at 5:40pm by Co-Chairperson Susan Wolf, who announced she will be out of town for next month's meeting. The April meeting will be lead by Co-Chair Marta Kelsey.

CFW Website – Submissions have been submitted to the County's Public Information Officer, who suggested a very small number of minor changes. The editing was completing and has been re-submitted to Cynthia Brown for approval.

Women's History Month Proclamation – Martha and Susan appeared before the County Commissioners on March 7 to accept a proclamation in honor of Women's History Month. The two members gave a brief summary of the CFW's current activities. Cynthia also attended for support.

CFW Budget – Susan contacted Health Connections and Cynthia contacted the MD State Police to make inquiries on how the CFW can support their efforts. More information to come in April.

By-laws – Susan will e-mail revised by-laws to members for review and comments.

High School Intern Pilot Program – Job descriptions are still needed from the businesses that will provide the internships. Maureen Johnson has a contact that is willing to provide Dress for Success guidance to participants.

Women's Fair – Maureen brought in materials from the Charles County Women's Fair for members to review. There is interest in doing a similar event specifically for St. Mary's County. Perhaps the College of Southern MD could be the location and women's organization within the county could assist/support the activity. CFW members are requested to submit to Susan and Marta the names of such organizations to be contacted.

CFW Retreat – There was a brief discussion on the need for a facilitator but one was not specifically identified. Possible locations mentioned were the Northern Sr. Center or the Community College.

Domestic Violence – Members voted to have Susan draft a letter to the County Commissioners requesting a CFW representative be appointed to the Domestic Violence Coordinating Council or at least be included in the upcoming discussions on public relations and community education.

Meeting adjourned 6:40pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cynthia Brown