

## COMMITTEE ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

Friday, July 18, 2008, 10:00 a.m.  
Aupuni Center Conference Room

### PRESENT

Dawn Pung, Chair  
Carol Kitaoka, Vice-Chair  
Ellen Takazawa, Secretary  
Nancy Kelly, Treasurer  
Katie Nova  
Kathleen Peters  
Elena Cabatu, HSCSW Commissioner  
(ex-officio)  
Julie Mecklenburg, Corporation Counsel  
(ex-officio)

### EXCUSED

Charmaine Ka-ipo  
Andrea Mejia

### ABSENT

Janet Coburn

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

### ROLL CALL

A quorum was present.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

N. Kelly moved to approve the agenda as submitted. K. Peters seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

N. Kelly moved to approve the June 20, 2008 minutes. K. Peters seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's report was circulated.

N. Kelly reviewed the expenditure status report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008. Discussion was held about the allocation for the teen dating violence/equal pay radio advertisement because it should have been two separate allocations and not a combined radio spot.

N. Kelly reported that CSW has not received any funding from the county council yet. Councilmember Brenda Ford has requested a budget request from CSW so C. Kitaoka submitted a proposal because B. Ford would like to support some of the committee's activities. Last year, the council members had \$300,000 in their contingency fund and this year they have \$100,000 and only \$50,000 can be spent up to December.

K. Peters suggested that CSW email council members B. Ford and E. Naeole the PSA saying the committee ran out of funds and if someone could fund the teen dating violence PSA.

E. Takazawa said that under D. Pung's directive after the last meeting, she asked E. Naeole for funding for the Women and Family Wellness Day. E. Naeole is very supportive of the event, but she would like CSW to write her a letter about it. She suggested that CSW appear individually before the County Council and solicit all the council members for funding.

E. Takazawa moved to accept the treasurer's report. K. Peters seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

#### STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

A. Copy of letter to J. Coburn regarding her resignation from CSW

#### REPORTS

##### A. Education

##### 1. Urgent Services Directory

E. Takazawa reported that she has last year's directory to be dropped off at the Pahala Hospital, North Hawaii Hospital, and Hamakua Infirmary.

##### 2. First Female Booklet

Tabled.

##### 3. Essay Contest

C. Kitaoka reported that the initial packet will be mailed out to the schools in August. If funding will not be received from the county council, the essay contest budget will be scaled back. The prizes will be less and CSW will only pay for the winner, "real woman," and the teacher. The parents will be charged for their lunch.

##### 4. Mentoring

K. Nova moved to eliminate mentoring from the agenda until CSW decides to bring it back. E. Takazawa seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

##### 5. Hawaii County Women's Hall of Fame

N. Kelly reported that the press release and last year's winners were featured the other day in the Hawaii Tribune Herald. K. Peters offered to forward the press release and photo to West Hawaii Today.

N. Kelly suggested that J. Viernes email the nomination form to CSW members and they can distribute it to women's organizations. She asked that J. Viernes add on the deadline date of August 14, 2008 on the nomination form.

N. Kelly reported that C. Ka-ipo is asking CSW to approve funding for Melveen Leed to perform at the Women's Hall of Fame. N. Kelly moved to approve funding for M. Leed which shall include roundtrip airfare, hotel, and a stipend of \$1,000. Secondly, funding for the soundman shall include hotel, dinner, and \$300 for the sound system. K. Peters seconded the motion. CSW needs to approve the sound system again if the fee is more than \$300. The motion was passed.

N. Kelly moved to approve funding for Jade Moon which shall include roundtrip airfare, hotel, meals, and rental car. A possible stipend will be approved later if requested. K. Peters seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

6. Equal Pay

E. Cabatu reported that the radio ad ran in East and West Hawaii. K. Peters suggested that CSW email the ad to council members B. Ford and E. Naeole showing what CSW has been doing.

B. Health

1. Women's Health Month

E. Cabatu reported that Angela Thomas from the Good Beginnings Alliance is spreading the word about the Women and Family Wellness Day scheduled for Saturday, September 13, 2008. Organizations who will be participating will be asked to bring their own tent.

The Hilo Medical Center Foundation will put on a jumping castle for the kids and they charge \$1 to make money for the foundation. She wondered if it was okay to fundraise at a state/county event since the foundation is not a co-sponsor of the event. She will check with the foundation whether they want to be a co-sponsor of the event.

E. Cabatu said that she is waiting to hear if any funding will be received from the county council. N. Kelly suggested that CSW might consider doing a presentation before the Human Services Committee on what the committee has accomplished in the past year. D. Pung offered to help with this effort by submitting a letter with pertinent information on each activity.

C. Liaison

1. HSCSW

E. Cabatu reported that she did not attend the last Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women (HSCSW) meeting. She sent a report to the HSCSW on what CSW was doing here.

2. Legislative Update

No report.

D. Community Reports

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Teen Dating Violence Prevention Peer Education Conference

CSW discussed the distribution of the books. N. Kelly said that the intention was to distribute it to the schools with assistance from CSW members.

C. Kitaoka said that she would like to have the conference, but CSW needs to see if any funds will be received from the council. She would like to disseminate the books at the conference and CSW will know whether we are going to have the conference in the next few months.

C. Kitaoka reported that she prepared a budget proposal and summary on the teen dating violence, essay contest, and the women's hall of fame and dropped it off at B. Ford's office and A. Pilago's office. She also emailed it to E. Naeole's office.

B. Teens Internet Protection – K. Nova

Tabled.

C. Questionable Member Status

J. Mecklenburg referred to the bylaws which state "if a member of the committee shall be absent unexcused from three (3) consecutive committee meetings, the Chairperson of the committee shall request the Mayor to ask for the resignation of said member." D. Pung will send a letter to the Mayor with a copy of the letter sent to J. Coburn.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Election of Officers

D. Pung asked for nominations from the floor. N. Kelly moved to accept the slate of officers. K. Peters seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

B. 2008 International Women's Leadership Conference – Wednesday, September 24, 2008, Sheraton Waikiki Hotel and Resort

After some discussion, K. Peters moved that CSW send K. Nova and A. Mejia to the conference and the committee will pay for airfare, registration, and taxi.

CSW may not have to pay for registration for K. Nova if she gets invited by the HSCSW. N. Kelly seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, August 14, 2008, at 10:00 a.m. in the Waimea Civic Center conference room.

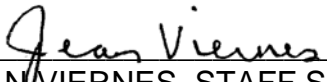
B. Schedules

N. Kelly may not be able to attend the August meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

  
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JEANVIERNES, STAFF SECRETARY