

## COMMITTEE ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

Wednesday, December 17, 2008, 10:00 a.m.  
Kona Mayor's Office Conference Room

### PRESENT

Katie Nova, Chair  
Carol Kitaoka, Vice-Chair  
Charmaine Ka-ipo  
Andrea Mejia  
Dawn Pung  
Julie Mecklenburg, Corporation  
Counsel (ex-officio)

### EXCUSED

Ellen Takazawa, Secretary  
Nancy Kelly, Treasurer  
Kathleen Peters  
Mary Sherman  
Elena Cabatu, HSCSW Commissioner  
(ex-officio)

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:25 a.m.

### ROLL CALL

A quorum was present.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

C. Kitaoka moved to approve the agenda as submitted. A. Mejia seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Mejia moved to approve the November 21, 2008 minutes. C. Ka-ipo seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's report was circulated. C. Kitaoka suggested that CSW figure out how much money and what projects the committee has and determine how much the committee wants to give to each project. CSW agreed and suggested that N. Kelly prepare a report of the actual expenditures on each event last year. K. Nova will contact N. Kelly.

C. Kitaoka moved to accept the treasurer's report. A. Mejia seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

### STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

### CORRESPONDENCE

A. Michigan Women's Commission Newsletter

## REPORTS

### A. Education

#### 1. Urgent Services Directory

No report.

#### 2. First Female Booklet

A. Mejia provided the following quotes from Hawaii Printing Corporation:

\$45 per hour additional for set up or adjustment of file is required

250 booklets - \$750 plus tax

500 booklets - \$1,200 plus tax

1000 booklets - \$1,900 plus tax

lavender cover, white plain paper with black printing, 5.5 X 8.5 saddle stitched, 67 lb vellum paper

CSW suggested that A. Mejia email the quotes to N. Kelly to incorporate into her report.

#### 3. Essay Contest

C. Kitaoka reported that the essays will go out to judging the first week in January. She has found a variety of eight judges. One of the judges will be a fifth grade teacher from Konawaena Elementary School which will inspire them to hopefully participate next year.

The lunch cost at the Hapuna Beach Prince Hotel is \$23 plus tax and gratuity. The lunch will consist of pasta salad, toss greens, teriyaki chicken, rice, vegetables, ice cream with toppings, and fruit punch. Pizza will be excluded.

C. Kitaoka said she did not ask about special room rates for people who would like spend the night.

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

C. Ka-ipo reported that she and A. Mejia discussed the Women's Hall of Fame and decided that CSW needs to set a date. A. Mejia did some research and suggested Saturday, October 3, 2009 or Saturday, October 24, 2009.

C. Ka-ipo invited CSW members to take a look at the Naniloa Volcanoes Resort, Kilohana Room or Polynesian Room when the next meeting is held in Hilo. The menu will be a prime rib buffet of \$36.50 plus a side dish of chicken or fish for vegetarians. A special room rate of approximately \$99 per night will be provided for CSW's guests and members.

K. Nova indicated that CSW has not decided whether the event will be held in Hilo or not so she told C. Ka-ipo to be careful in making

arrangements. She felt that more CSW members need to be present in order to make a decision such as alternating the event every other year and having the event in Kona, Waikoloa, Waimea or Hilo. Secondly, another issue is providing ample notice to the honorees and their families. CSW agreed to consider all these factors and discuss it further at the next meeting.

5. Equal Pay  
Tabled.

B. Health

1. Women's Health Month  
Tabled.

C. Liaison

1. HSCSW  
Tabled.

2. Legislative Update  
Tabled.

D. Community Reports

A. Mejia announced the East Hawaii Coalition for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect Presents a Workshop on Treatment Issues in Child Sexual Abuse with Dr. Carol Plummer to be held on January 5, 2009, from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m., in the Aupuni Center conference room. Deadline for registration is December 29, 2008.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Teen Dating Violence Prevention Peer Education Conference

C. Kitaoka reported that she received an email last week from Dr. Jill Murray on the status of the conference. Basically, CSW needs to find more funding. She would like to target April 2009 for the conference.

K. Nova mentioned that she spoke to a member of the Soroptimist Club and CSW's proposal has been presented to the board. The board was very positive and the ideas are at the spending committee. K. Nova will follow up in January.

A. Mejia requested an outline/objective from C. Kitaoka because she knows a grant writer who is willing to help write a grant for Dr. J. Murray.

C. Kitaoka mentioned that she spoke to Sherry Bracken and she would be the person to make the video and she would also be the resource for that.

S. Bracken also offered to do radio spots ahead of time and radio spots with Dr. J. Murray.

B. Teens Internet Protection – A. Mejia

- A. Mejia reported that she shared information at the last meeting. The Attorney Generals Office provides training to adults as well as to the schools.  
K. Nova suggested that A. Mejia prepare a budget on her dream event.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

D. Pung announced that the UH Hilo Performing Arts Center will be presenting the Fifth Annual Girls' Day Diva Festival featuring the Society of Seven LV on Monday, March 2, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. Profits from this fundraising event will benefit the UH Hilo Performing Arts Center. There will be food sampling from women owned/operated businesses. Tickets are \$40 and can be ordered by phone or online.

A. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Friday, January 16, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. in the Department of Parks and Recreation conference room located in Hilo.

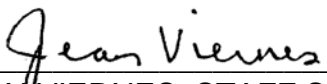
B. Schedules

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

  
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JEAN VIERNES, STAFF SECRETARY