



Frederick County Commission For Women

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Public Meeting Minutes

Mar 13th 2018

7:00 pm, Winchester Hall, Frederick MD 21701 (3rd Floor Conference Room)

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Commissioners Present: Rosario Campos, Annie Jones, Kimba Green, Lakshmi Darbha, Karen Czapanskiy, Evelyn Stephenson, Tara Woodward

Commissioners Absent: Lois Jarman, Constance Baptist, Nina Carr, Shauna Mulcahy, Jessica Kent

Guests: Valerie Dougherty, Lama Elbas, Amy Castle-Rogers, Neha Mahashreshti, Yiting Lin, Serena Shivsekar, Beth Mason, Ava Mason, Megan Wright, Kusum Jha, Ashish Pandit

Vice President Rosario Campos called the meeting to order at 7:05pm, a quorum was present.

I. Executive Committee Report

a. Commissioners, Volunteers and Guests introduced themselves.

b. Approval of meeting minutes for Dec 2017, Jan 2018, Feb 2018:

i. The motion to vote to approve December 2017 meeting minutes was made by Rosario and seconded by Karen. The motion passed unanimously.

ii. The motion to vote to approve January 2018 meeting minutes was made by Rosario and seconded by Karen. The motion passed unanimously.

iii. The motion to vote to approve February 2018 meeting minutes was made by Rosario and seconded by Karen. The motion passed unanimously with two abstentions.

c. Guest Speakers: SheLeads Students presenting their project progress

i. Sanjana Jha: Presentation, "Feminine Hygiene for Homeless Women (End period stigma)".

Goal:

-Supply approx. 150 women for 3 months a year

-Targeting Women in both shelters and street

-Create a survey and database to analyze the focus group

-utilize information to spread awareness in social media

-structure future programs and share with NGOs

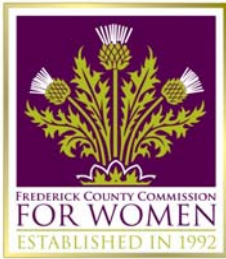
Donations accepted. Contact: sanjanajha2001@gmail.com

ii. SheLeads English Language Learner (ELL) Group (Megan, Eva, Sanjana, Vicoria): The ELL group is working on a survey at their Schools.

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- iii. SheLeads Human Trafficking Awareness (HTA) Group (Serena, Neha, Yiting): THE HTA group is working on social media campaign at School (video, chalk, lollipops)

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Old Business

- d. Outreach Committee report: Lakshmi and Rosario February/March events
 - i. Mar 3: Re-enactment of 1913 Suffrage march at from Keys stadium to Weinberg Center. (Lois, Rosario, Karen, Tara, Lakshmi)
The march was supported by FCCFW, also had a table at the Wienberg center. The program included a video on the original enactment.
 - ii. Mar 9: International Women's Day at ThermoFisher Scientific (Rosario, Kimba, Tara, Lakshmi)
FCCFW was invited by the Women Employee group at THERMOFISHER to share its activities with their group. FCCFW shared a presentation describing the Commission's mission and activities. There was lunch and discussion session. Post meeting note: Thermo Fisher donated 15 Science bags (kits) for an upcoming STEM program for girls (Lakshmi).
- e. Human Trafficking Task Force Report: Nina and Annie
 - i. The Final recommendations of the Human Trafficking Task force were be presented on Jan 23, 2018. A multidisciplinary meeting was planned with Nina Carr (Heartly House) and Jessica Fitzwater as part of the team.
- f. Legislative Committee Report: Karen
Karen shared a copy of Maryland Legislative Agenda for Women's issues for this year.
- g. Leadership Alliance Dinner & Marketing Committee Report: Kimba
LAD Sponsorship went well and there were total 49 registrants. (LAD Event date: Mar 22, 2018 6-9pm, Ceresville Mansion, Frederick, MD 21701)
- h. Recruiting Efforts:

II. New Business

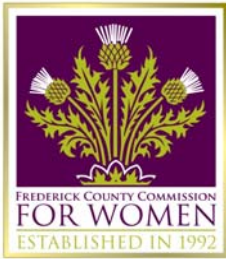
- a. Lakshmi New programs: Lakshmi is starting a new volunteer organization called "Aavane" that plans to turn non-profit in future. Initial programs include:

1. Mindful Yoga for Women (starting Apr 3)

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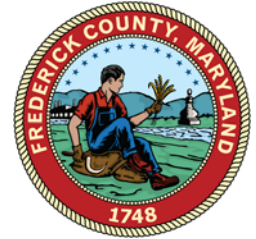
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2. STEM program for primarily girls

A proposal for collaboration with CFW was proposed on these programs. Members showed interest in the STEM program collaboration and a proposal will be presented at the next meeting.

- b. Commissioner, Guest Announcements and Liaison Reports:
 - i. All Community events shared on CFW Facebook page
- c. Nominations for 2018-19 officers: postponed to April meeting.

III. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

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