

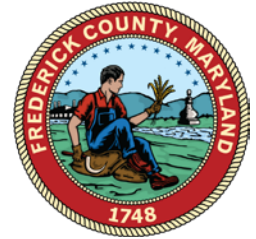
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Public Meeting Minutes

June 12th 2018

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

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Commissioners Present: Rosario Campos, Annie Jones, Lakshmi Darbha, Karen Czapanskiy, Tara Woodward, Shauna Mulcahy, Lois Jarman

Commissioners Absent: Constance Baptist, Nina Carr, Evelyn Stephenson, Kimba Green, Jessica Kent

Guests: Valerie Dougherty, Maura Page, Michele Demaris, Nicola van Kuilenburg

President Lois Jarman called the meeting to order at 7:03pm, a quorum was present.

I. Executive Committee Report

a. Commissioners, Volunteers and Guests introduced themselves.

b. Approval of meeting minutes for May 2018:

- i. The motion to vote to approve Apr 2018 meeting minutes was made by Karen and seconded by Annie. The motion passed unanimously.

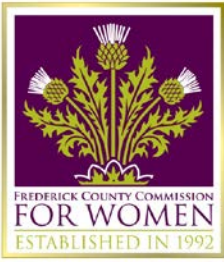
c. Guest Speaker: Nicola van Kuilenburg, speaking as a parent on behalf of transgender equality

- Nicola went through a detailed discussion on appropriate terminology and language to use when discussing LGBTQ individuals
- Nicola discussed policy issues facing transgender student (from her history in West Virginia and what she has encountered in Frederick County)
- Nicola shared about Policy 443 being passed in Frederick County Public Schools
 - The purpose of policy 443 is: Gender identity is a protected status in Frederick County Public Schools (FCPS). The purpose of this policy is to prevent discrimination, stigmatization, harassment, and bullying of students who are transgender or who are gender nonconforming and to create school cultures that are safe, welcoming, and affirming for all students. This policy is also designed to ensure that all students have the opportunity to express themselves and live authentically.
 - A video about policy 443 can be located here: <https://www.fcps.org/boe/policy-443>
- Nicola shared with the Commission to visit the Facebook page for “Support FCPS Trans Students”

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- o The mission of this group is: We are a group of trans students, family members, and allies, all working towards better, safe schools for trans students. Based in Frederick, MD. Trans student led.
- o This Facebook page shares information about upcoming events, legislation efforts, and ways to get involved to support FCPS Trans Students.

Old Business

- d. Outreach Committee report: Lakshmi and Rosario
June/July Events
 - i. June 30th: Immigrant Celebration Day – need volunteers to sign up for table space from 10-3; will send out an email for sign ups
- e. Human Trafficking Task Force Report: Nina and Annie (None)
- f. SheLeads Committee Report: Annie (None)
- g. Legislative Committee Report: Karen
Shared the MLAW (Maryland Legislative Agenda for Women) 2018 Final Report – this can be downloaded here:
<https://mdlegagendaforwomen.files.wordpress.com/2018/05/2018-mlaw-agenda-final-report.pdf>
- h. Recruiting Efforts: Commissioners need to actively seek out 4 new applicants. Suggestions from Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

II. New Business

Commissioner, Guest Announcements and Liaison Reports:

- a. Annual Planning Retreat is being held on Sunday, July 8th from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM at Cowork Frederick – potluck lunch
- b. Maura: Hood College Volunteer Fair – September 6th from 1:30-3:30
- c. Rosario Campos: Immigration Day – June 30th
- d. Lakshmi Darbha: In the Street, Sep 8, 2018 (registration needed)
- e. Lakshmi Darbha: Affair of the Heart rescheduled for June 22nd
- f. Lakshmi Darbha: United Way Kindness Coalition Mentorship Program to address bullying
- g. All Community events shared on CFW Facebook page

III. The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 pm.

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