I. Call to order and establishment of quorum

Chair Newlight called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

Present: Nadine Newlight, Margaret Bruck, Lois Prey, Leanne Calandrella, Cecille Piros, and Paulette McFaul

Staff: Marian Feenstra (Mayor’s Senior Executive Assistant) 
Cindy Young (Mayor’s Executive Assistant) 
Emme Cabacungan (Administrative Assistant) 
Aulani Delatori (Administrative Assistant)

Other: Anna Mayeda 
(Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women Liaison)

II. Approve minutes from the February 17, 2009 meeting

Vice Chair Bruck moved to approve the February 17, 2009 Committee meeting minutes. Ms. Calandrella seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

III. Correspondence Received

- Outgoing Committee Members Memorandum from Mayor Tavares dated January 27, 2009

Chair Newlight, Ms. Calandrella, and Ms. Piros were each given certificates and letters from Mayor Tavares for volunteering on the Committee of Status of Women for terms ending March 31, 2009.

IV. Report from State Commission on the Status of Women
Representative Anna Mayeda

Ms. Mayeda reminded Committee of the Women’s History Month celebration on Tuesday, March 24, 2009 in Honolulu. It will be held at Washington Place. Women dealing with energy and environmental issues are being recognized.
V.  Kokua Project update

Chair Newlight inquired on the status of the Stress Cards. Ms. Feenstra informed the Committee that the Mayor has approved the Stress Cards.

VI.  "Honoring Women" submissions for The Maui News

Chair Newlight stated that the article that Valerie Simonson wrote for The Maui News submission did not have any facts included to put in the caption. Vice Chair Bruck had given Chair Newlight contact information for Ms. Simonson, which Chair Newlight never received. Chair Newlight offered to do the caption after her term on the Committee on the Status of Women expires.

VII.  Discussion on Women’s Health Fair 2009

- Determine venue

Chair Newlight informed the Committee that last meeting they were supposed to research information on Maui Community College (MCC) as an option for a venue for the Women’s Health Fair. Ms. McFaul contacted MCC to find out what was needed to have the fair at MCC. MCC would like a proposal from the Committee. The Committee would need to find a venue other than MCC if MCC had an event that conflicted with the scheduling of the Women’s Health Fair.

Ms. Prey inquired if the Committee would still be charging $250 for organizations to participate. Chair Newlight informed Ms. Prey that Queen Kaahumanu Center (QKC) charged $250, not the Committee. If the Women’s Health Fair is held at MCC there would be no charge to organizations participating. Ms. McFaul asked MCC if there was a fee to use MCC facilities and no fee was provided.

Ms. McFaul suggested that the Women’s Health Fair be part of the Swap Meet. Chair Newlight opposed the idea because it would cost a lot of money and the Swap Meet would not have enough tables.

Ms. Feenstra stated that the Committee does not pay for the use of QKC. Ms. Young explained that County had a license agreement with QKC for last year’s Women’s Health Fair.
Ms. Prey moved that the Committee hold the Women’s Health Fair at QKC. Ms. McFaul seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. McFaul suggested that the Committee subsidize the $250 payments that are required of for-profit corporations to participate in the Women’s Health Fair. Ms. Mayeda stated that Sharon Ferguson-Quick may be able to sponsor things directly related to the program. Committee decided not to pursue subsidizing the $250 payments.

Ms. Calandrella motioned to have the Women’s Health Fair on September 12, 2009. Ms. Prey seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Ms. Prey volunteered to call QKC to reserve September 12, 2009 for the Women’s Health Fair.

VIII. Chair and Vice Chair Nominations for 2009-2010 Commission Term

Chair Newlight nominated Ms. Prey for Chair. Ms. Piros seconded nomination. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Newlight nominated Ms. Bruck for Vice Chair. Ms. Calandrella seconded the nomination. The motion passed unanimously.

IX. Other Business

Chair Newlight moved to amend the agenda to include the Budget Review Subcommittee Report. Ms. McFaul seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. McFaul went over the Budget Review Subcommittee Report for the financial workshop event that the Committee wants to hold. The amount of money in the budget ($200) is sufficient to hold the event in April of this year. Ms. McFaul distributed drafts of the flyers for the event “Surviving the Financial Crisis”. The event is scheduled for April 28, 2009 at Maui Community College from 5:00-6:30 p.m. and is open to the public.

Ms. McFaul discussed the format for the event. There will be a panel of three people that will make a presentation in their areas of expertise. At the end of the panel discussion, audience members will be asked to complete a self-assessment form. Audience members will be free to ask questions to the panel members. Advertising for this event at no cost may include: word of mouth to local non-profit organizations, public service announcements for radio and print media, campus-wide
email at Maui Community College, fliers, and publicizing the event on the County website.

Ms. Calandrella volunteered to be the moderator for the event. Ms. McFaul will be handling the self-assessment form. Vice Chair Bruck will be handling the pupus and refreshments.

Ms. McFaul motioned to approve “Surviving the Financial Crisis” flyer with changes suggested during today's meeting. Vice Chair Bruck seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

X. Determine next meeting date and agenda

The next meeting is scheduled for April 21, 2009 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. The location is to be determined.

Items to be included on the agenda:

- Financial Forum
- Women’s Health Fair
- Kokua Card/Project
- Introduction of New Members
- Budget Review Subcommittee
- Report from State Commission Member
- Resource Guide
- Governor’s International Women’s Leadership Conference

XI. Adjournment

Vice Chair Bruck motioned to adjourn. Ms. Calandrella seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 1:24p.