

**COMMITTEE ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN
KALANA O MAUI, MAYOR'S CONFERENCE ROOM
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2019
MINUTES**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Griffiths at 12:01 p.m.

Present: Chair Kate Griffiths
Vice Chair Lois Prey
Dee Hamby
Jessica Crouse
Nalani Kaninau
Sharon Daniels

Excused: Leslie Wilkins, Ex-Officio
Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women
Ki'i Kaho'ohanohano

Staff: Jerrie Sheppard, Deputy Corporation Counsel
Darlene Endrina, Community Liaison
Pili Naho'oikaika, Administrative Assistant

2. Public Testimony

Leslie Matthews announced an event called Sister to Sister Pop Up Brunch. She explained that it will held on March 30, 2019 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Saigon Café and that it's a free event and everyone is welcome. The brunch will focus on enforcing women empowerment during Women's History Month. She asked that those interested RSVP at Eventbrite.com.

Stephanie Garcia and Felicity Powers of Ho'omau Maui introduced a newly established program accommodating girls between the ages of 11 and 17 who require therapy and or group therapy on eating disorders, substance abuse, physical abuse, etc. They explained that their program would be open to 10-15 attendees and run for six weeks during the summer at a housing facility monitored by them. The program fee is \$500 inclusive to attend. Ms. Garcia and Ms. Powers requested financial assistance of \$2,000 from the Committee on the Status of Women to assist with the start of their summer program.

Stacey Moniz of the Maui Farm explained its program stating that they are a farm-based educational facility assisting families to attain self-sufficient living. Ms. Moniz requested financial assistance of \$1,500 from the Committee on the Status of Women to assist with the growth of their job training program.

3. Approval of Minutes

This Committee deferred this agenda item to the next meeting.

Deputy Corporation Counsel Sheppard explained that the new law does not require board, committee or commission members to officially approve their meeting minutes however a draft of the minutes must be posted online within 40 days of the last scheduled meeting.

4. State Ex-Officio Report

Ex-Officio Wilkins was not present to provide a report.

5. Report and Discuss Chair Griffiths January 30, 2019 Meeting with Mayor Victorino

Chair Griffiths noted that the following staff attended the Mayor's meeting: Ralph Thomas (Equal Employment Opportunity Officer), Gladys Baisa (Community Liaison), Darlene Endrina (Community Liaison), Terry Vencl (Community Liaison), and Mayor Victorino.

Chair Griffiths confirmed that Mayor Victorino accepted the budget proposal of \$7,300.

6. Report and Discuss January 28, 2019 Hawaii Initiative to End Girls' Incarceration Meeting

The Committee did not have anything to report on this agenda item.

7. Discuss Birthing Legislation, SB 1033 and HB 433

The Committee deferred this agenda item to the next meeting.

8. Discuss Sponsorship Opportunities to Help Support and Empower Women in Our Community:

- A) **The Maui Farm**
- B) **Ho'omau Maui**
- C) **Sister to Sister Pop Up Brunch**

At the advisory of Deputy Corporation Counsel Sheppard, the Committee agreed to form a subcommittee to discuss further.

Member Crouse moved and Vice Chair seconded the motion to create the Funding Proposal Subcommittee for the purpose of creating parameters for funding proposal requests. The motion carried. The subcommittee members include Members Crouse, Hamby, and Kaninau. The subcommittee agreed to provide the Committee with a draft criteria and application at the next meeting.

D) Indigenous Birthkeepers Gathering Community Day

The Committee deferred discussion on this agenda item to the next meeting.

9. Committee on the Status of Women Survey – A Women's Issues Survey to Better Advocate for the Rights of Women in Maui County

Member Hamby explained that she ordered 75 survey copies with FedEx and requested assistance with pick-up and payment. Member Daniels offered to pick-up the surveys and bring them to the next meeting.

10. Discuss Current Fiscal Year 2019 Budget and Budget for Fiscal Year 2020

Chair Griffiths and Ms. Nahooikaika reported that the committee has \$6,000 in available funds and an additional \$1,323.76 from carryover funds.

11. Calendar of Events

The Committee did not have anything to report on this agenda item.

12. Determine Next Meeting Date and Set Agenda

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. in the Mayor's Conference Room.

Agenda items to include:

Subcommittee Review –

1. Funding Proposal
2. Women Survey
3. Women of Excellence
4. Domestic Violence
5. Self Defense
6. Web Page
7. Feasibility

13. Adjourn

Chair Griffiths moved and Member Hamby seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 1:57 p.m.