

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

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Griffiths at 12:06 p.m.

Present:

Chair Kate Griffiths  
Vice-Chair Jessica Crouse  
Nalani Kaninau  
Mahie McPherson  
Leihuanani Bissen  
Kii Kahooohanohano

Excused:

Sharon Daniels

Present Ex-Officio, Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women:  
Stacey Moniz

Present Staff:

Jerrie Sheppard, Deputy Corporation Counsel  
Stephanie Chen, Deputy Corporation Counsel  
Darlene Endrina, Community Liaison  
Pili Nahooikaika, Administrative Assistant

**2. Public Testimony on Agenda Items**

There was no public testimony presented.

**3. Welcome New Committee Member, Mahie McPherson and New State Ex-Officio, Stacey Moniz**

Ex-Officio Moniz and Member McPherson acknowledged the Committee for their welcoming. Member McPherson offered her gratitude in behalf of the Molokai community and Ex-Officio Moniz expressed her appreciation in behalf of the Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women.

**4. Approval of Meeting Minutes of October 22, 2019**

Vice-Chair Crouse moved and Member Bissen seconded the motion to approve the meeting minutes of October 22, 2019. The motion carried unanimously.

**5. Budget Status for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021**

Member Kaninau proposed the purchase of reusable bags to be used as giveaways at committee community events. The committee discussed the bags to be purple in color and wear a phrase in 'olelo no'eau relating to "taking care of our women, taking care of our families". Member Kaho'ohanohano volunteered to research the phrase and report it back to the committee at the next meeting.

Member Kaninau volunteered to research the cost for 500-1000 bags and report the information back to the committee at the next meeting. Member Bissen suggested to order the bags from 4imprint.com. The committee will finalize the purchase and additional bag details at the next meeting.

#### **6. Discuss the Development of a Media Campaign Subcommittee for the Committee on the Status of Women**

Deputy Sheppard suggested to consider utilizing the committee's county webpage as a bulletin board for community events.

Ex-Officio Moniz offered to inquire with the State Commission on their laws for media campaigning. Deputy Sheppard suggested to create a Media Subcommittee and include Ex-Officio Moniz, and the Office of the Mayor Communication Team's Ryan Piros for information on current media laws and assistance in managing events on state and county Facebook pages. Member Bissen volunteered to chair the subcommittee.

#### **7. Report by Committee Member Kaninau on Planned Parenthood Presentation**

Member Kaninau reported birth control, STD/HIV screenings, and abortion as a few of the services provided by Planned Parenthood. She explained that the facility no longer offers its services free of charge due to Title X funding but that they do accept donations to assist with services.

#### **8. Subcommittee Reports**

- Website Coordination Subcommittee – Vice-Chair Crouse reported that she is awaiting response from Chuck Barrett, County of Maui Web Master to request the addition of the Women's Survey to the committee's webpage on the county website.
- Women's Survey Subcommittee – Nothing to report.
- Voter Registration Subcommittee – Nothing to report.
- Human Trafficking Subcommittee – Member Kaninau attended Ho'ola Na Pua's symposium campaign for a safer community relating to trafficking. She reported that the focus of the presentation was to put more energy into arresting perpetrators and establishing tougher consequences. Member Kaninau clarified that names of perpetrators are now disclosed and listed by district. Deputy Sheppard suggested bringing a speaker to Maui to discuss trafficking and to offer promotion and funds for their attendance. She suggested that the committee organize a presentation/training for board and commission members, non and for profit organizations, schools, etc.
- Women of Excellence Recognition Event Subcommittee – Chair Griffiths volunteered to research 100 year celebrations across the country relating to the Women's Vote Centennial. The subcommittee will meet prior to the next meeting to discuss lei, awards, applications, food, and certificates and report further at the next meeting.
- Domestic Violence Awareness Fair Subcommittee – Nothing to report.

#### **9. Agenda Setting**

There is no meeting scheduled for the month of December 2019.

#### **10. Announcements**

The next meeting is scheduled for January 21, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. in the Mayor's Conference Room.

**11. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 1:31 p.m.