

COUNTY OF KAUAI
Minutes of Meeting
OPEN SESSION

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| Board/Committee: | | Committee on the Status of Women | | Meeting Date | November 15, 2023 | |
| Location | Boards and Commissions Conference Room with video remote access and audio connection by Microsoft Teams. | | | Start of Meeting: 5:00 p.m. | | End of Meeting: 5:46 p.m. |
| Present | Chair Darcie Yukimura. Treasurer Sara Miura. Secretary Regina Carvalho. Member: Emma White. Hawai‘i State Commission on the Status of Women (HSCSW) Commissioner Edith Ignacio Neumiller. Deputy County Attorney Stephen Hall. Office of Boards and Commissions: Administrator Ellen Ching and Commission Support Clerk Sandra Muragin. | | | | | |
| Excused | Vice Chair Nicole Cristobal, Member Angela Hoover, and Member Monica Kawakami | | | | | |
| Absent | | | | | | |

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| Call To Order Roll Call | Chair Yukimura called the open session meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Commission Support Clerk Sandra Muragin verified attendance; Member Hoover was excused. Member Kawakami was excused. Member White replied here. Secretary Carvalho replied present. Treasurer Miura replied present. Vice Chair Cristobal was excused. Chair Yukimura replied present. Commissioner Ignacio Neumiller replied here. Deputy County Attorney Hall replied here. Administrator Ching replied here. Support Clerk Muragin replied here. | Quorum established with four members present. |
| Approval of Agenda | | Ms. White moved to approve the agenda as circulated. Secretary Carvalho seconded the motion. Motion carried 4:0. |

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| Public Testimony | Chair Yukimura acknowledged two audience members and asked if either wanted to testify or introduce themselves, both women declined. Chair Yukimura asked if there was anyone online, Ms. Muragin replied none. | |
| Approval of Meeting Minutes | a) Open Session Minutes of September 20, 2023 Administrator Ellen Ching asked if anyone in the audience wanted to testify on the minutes, both declined. Ms. White requested corrections on page 5, lei's to lei and page 7, Mehta to Meta. | Treasurer Miura moved to approve the September 20, 2023 minutes with the following amendments; page 5 lei's to lei and page 7 Mehta to Meta. Ms. White seconded the motion. Motion carried 4:0. |
| Business | <u>CSW 2023-03</u> <u>Missing Murdered Native Hawaiian Women and Girls Task Force.</u> a) Vice Chair Nicole Cristobal to share MMNHWG Report dated November 15, 2023. b) Discussion and possible decision-making on other related matters. Administrator Ellen Ching asked if anyone in the audience wanted to testify on this agenda item, both declined. | Ms. White moved to receive the Missing Murdered Native Hawaiian Women and Girls Task Force Report dated November 15, 2023. Secretary Carvalho seconded the motion. Motion carried 4:0. |
| | <u>CSW 2023-06</u> <u>Recap 2023-2024 Period Products Event</u> a) Member Hoover to share the Period Products Report dated November 15, 2023 b) Discussion and possible decision-making on other related matters Administrator Ellen Ching asked if anyone in the audience wanted to testify on this agenda item, both declined. | Ms. White moved to receive the Period Products Report dated November 15, 2023. Treasurer Miura seconded the motion. Motion carried 4:0. |
| | <u>CSW 2023-16</u> <u>Recap 2023 Breast Cancer Awareness Event.</u> a) Secretary Carvalho to share the Breast Cancer Awareness Report dated November 15, 2023 b) Discussion and possible decision-making on other related matters Secretary Carvalho shared that the event went very well but would have liked if more county workers were involved. | |

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| | <p>Ms. Ching explained that the \$60 deficit was caused by a \$200 invoice being charged against a budget balance of only \$140. She said the committee would need to decide where the \$60 would be charged too.</p> <p>Deputy County Attorney Stephen Hall asked if anyone in the audience wanted to testify on this agenda item, both declined.</p> <p>Treasurer Miura recommended the committee use State Grant Funds to cover the \$60 deficit.</p> | <p>Ms. White moved to use State Grant funds to cover the \$60 deficit. Treasurer Miura seconded the motion. Motion carried 4:0.</p> |
| | <p><u>CSW 2023-20 Gender Equity and Equality Event</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Permitted Interaction Group to share Gender Equity and Equality Event Report dated November 15, 2023. b) Discussion and possible decision-making on other related matters <p>Deputy County Attorney Stephen Hall asked if anyone in the audience wanted to testify on this agenda item, both declined.</p> <p>Chair Yukimura explained the committee would need to make a motion to approve, amend or decline the recommendation made by the PIG at the last meeting.</p> <p>Ms. White announced she should recuse herself from voting on the motion. DCA Hall replied since the committee had the exact quorum and needed Ms. White's vote to take action there was a rule of necessity which allowed her to vote.</p> | <p>Treasurer Miura moved to approve the recommendation from the Permitted Interaction Groups to partner with YWCA to conduct a women's conference with the Kaua'i</p> |

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| | | Committee on the Status of Women as a major sponsor. Secretary Carvalho seconded the motion. Motion carried 4:0. |
| | <p><u>CSW 2023-21 Domestic Violence Awareness</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Member White to share Domestic Violence Report dated November 15, 2023. b) Discussion and possible decision-making on other related matters. <p>Ms. White said part of the budget was used for a radio campaign on KONG Radio FM 93.5 and they also broadcasted their campaign message on Hō'ike Kaua'i Community Television free of charge. She said the remaining balance would be used to print material to use throughout the year. Commissioner Ignacio Neumiller requested Ms. White update them on the print campaign.</p> | |
| | <p><u>CSW 2023-22 Women's History Month Event</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Discussion and decision-making on selecting another member to lead this event. b) Discussion and possible decision-making on other related matters. <p>Secretary Carvalho shared that throughout the years CSW has held various events during women's history month. They have recognized women in the community, radio announcements of famous women and most recently essay contest.</p> <p>Chair Yukimura asked if anyone wanted to chair this event and if not to defer it to the next meeting.</p> | Secretary Carvalho moved to defer discussions on Women's History Month Event to the next meeting. Ms. White seconded the motion. Motion carried 4:0. |
| | <p><u>CSW 2023-25 2024 Meeting Schedule.</u></p> <p>Chair Yukimura asked if anyone in the audience wanted to testify on this agenda item, both declined.</p> | Ms. White moved to receive the 2024 meeting schedule. Ms. Carvalho seconded the motion. Motion carried 4:0. |

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| State Commission Report | <p><u>CSW 2023-26</u> <u>Update from the Hawai'i State Commission on the Status of Women (HSCSW) Commissioner Edie Ignacio Neumiller.</u></p> <p>Commissioner Ignacio Neumiller said there were 17 applications for the Executive Director position, and they selected the top five applicants. The 2024 NACW (National Association of Commissions for Women) convention would be held in Boston July 24-28, 2024.</p> <p>Ms. White asked if all five applicants were from O'ahu. Commissioner Ignacio Neumiller replied yes.</p> <p>Chair Yukimura asked if there was an interim executive director or who was taking care of the office. Commissioner Ignacio Neumiller replied they were short on staff but there was another person in the office taking care of business.</p> | |
| Announcements | <p>Next Scheduled Meeting: Wednesday, January 17, 2024, 5:00 p.m., Boards and Commissions Conference Room.</p> <p>Preview of agenda topics for the January 17, 2024 meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Election of Officers for Calendar Year 2024 • Missing Murdered Native Hawaiian Women and Girls Task Force • Gender Equity and Equality Event • Domestic Violence Awareness • Women's History Month Event • Denim Day, April 24, 2024 • Sexual Assault and Child Abuse Awareness month, April • 2024 NACW convention <p>Ms. White stated 2024 was an election year and asked if they could do a voter registration drive for women or an initiative for women to get out and vote. DCA Hall replied he would research and get back to the committee on his findings at the next meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homelessness for women – Houseless Coordinator speaker | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• HSCSW Legislative priorities• Legislative bill process – Patricia Wistinghausen speaker | |
| Adjournment | | With no objections, Chair Yukimura adjourned the meeting at 5:46 p.m. |

Submitted by: _____ Reviewed and Approved by: _____
Sandra M. Muragin, Commission Support Clerk Darcie Yukimura, Chair

- () Approved as circulated.
() Approved with amendments. See _____ meeting minutes.