

**1NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN**

**THURSDAY, July 6, 2023, 5:30 P.M.  
Hooker Conference Room and via Zoom**

**MINUTES**

**Present: Landry Culp, A'ame Joslin, Hannah Chudleigh, Ashley Hazelrig, Nicole Bennett (virtual), Kathleen Sobiech (MCWC Guest), Nicki Williamson (MCWC Guest), Debby Herbenick (virtual), Eliza Carey (virtual)**

**BCSW Goals:**

- Identify the needs of, resources for, and services available to women in order to improve opportunities for women in Bloomington.
- To stimulate and encourage legislation for the development of services that benefit women.
- To educate ourselves on federal, state and local issues as they relate to women and identify participation efforts to assure women's equity. Strategy will include issuing publications, materials, and research findings and educational opportunities for our community.
- To maintain a close liaison with other women's commissions and advocacy groups.

**Call to Order**

**5:38pm, Quorum verified**

**Request for Additional Agenda Items**

**For the Good of the Cause**

**Approval of Minutes – June minutes**

**Approved**

**Liaison Report**

- New Commissioner, Eliza Carey

**Updates**

- Communication
- Legislature
  - Indiana Supreme Court abortion ruling
    - Commission statement?
      - **Approved to create statement for press release, social media**
    - **Discussed looking for other organization to partner with in terms of supporting Hoosier Abortion Fund**
    - **A'ame also mentioned a possible collaboration for a documentary film screening, she will follow-up**
- Community Partnerships
  - Partnership with MCDVC on domestic violence campaign
    - Meeting on July 13<sup>th</sup> at 10am for a brainstorming session via Zoom
      - **Marissa will send the Zoom link to this meeting for any commissioner who is interested in joining**
  - Partnership with Safe and Civil City Program (SCCP) on Young Women's Leadership Summit
    - See handout
      - **SCCP is requesting the following help from BCSW:**

- Theme and Topic Selection - send your ideas to Marissa prior to the selection meeting on September 4<sup>th</sup>
- Speak Selection – will select speakers from a series of applicants on October 12<sup>th</sup>
- Provide support the day of the summit of November 9<sup>th</sup>

#### New Business

- Scholarship Request
  - Vote for approval
    - Dr. Gloria Howell requested scholarship funding to attend a leadership conference in Chicago, IL
    - Approval to award \$250 toward expenses
    - Commissioners would like to invite Dr. Howell to a future commission meeting to provide feedback on the conference
- August Event
  - Vendor updates
    - So far we have 21 registrants!
  - Volunteers needed
    - Marissa will need volunteers on the evening of Friday 8/25 and between 8am-1pm on Saturday 8/26
    - Landry will create a volunteer sign-up sheet
  - “Bloomington Women Throughout History”
    - video slideshow
      - Marissa asked the group to send her any recommendations for local Bloomington women who have contributed to Women’s history and growth locally.

#### Old Business

- MCCSC Racial Equity Policy

#### Reports from Commissioners

- Monroe County Women’s Commission Liaison
  - Select new commission liaison to attend monthly MCWC meetings in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday
- High School Liaisons

#### Public Input

#### Adjournment