

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

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

**MINUTES**

**Present: Landry Culp, Hannah Chudleigh, Ashley Hazelrig, A'ame Joslin, Nicole Bennett (virtual), Prof. Megan McCool and IU students (Guests)**

**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**

**QUORUM**

**Request for Additional Agenda Items**

**For the Good of the Cause**

**Approval of Minutes – August minutes, no official September minutes**

**Approved**

**Liaison Report**

- Board and Commission Appreciation Event, Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 5:30-7:30pm, Waldron Arts Building
- Period Action Day, Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 11am-1pm, Downtown Library
- Bloomington Women in Leadership Luncheon: Combating Imposter Syndrome, Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 11:00am-1:00pm, Monroe Convention Center

**Updates**

- Communication
- Legislature
  - Bathroom letter update
    - No movement on this – recommend tabling until 2024
      - **Commissioners agreed to table until 2024**
- Community Partnerships
  - Partnership with MCDVC on domestic violence campaign
    - Drafts of poster series
  - Safe and Civil City Program on Young Women's Leadership Summit
    - Speaker updates
      - **Naomi Young, Shruti Rana, Manón Voice**
      - **Marisa Churchill, emcee**
    - Volunteer needs
      - **Not a lot of volunteers are needed, but any commissioner (or IU student guests) are welcome to attend.**

- Main volunteer need will be to help serve students lunch

#### New Business

- Vote on council appointed commissioner seat
  - approved
- Update on mayoral appointed commissioner seat
  - We should have a new mayoral appointed commissioner by November meeting
- WHM 2024 Planning
  - “Women Who Advocate for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion”
    - Keynote speaker ideas
      - Discussed inviting a local woman who already has a “call to action”
      - Commissioners discussed possibly doing a panel versus one keynote speaker
      - Concerns about a “DEI panel” being too redundant – there is a lot of DEI work being done already in the community, would need to be intentional on how ours could be different
  - New sponsorship levels and ticket prices
    - Vote on approval
      - Agreed to raise ticket prices to \$35/individual
        - ACTION ITEM: Need to decide on what price for a full table
      - Discussed adding a “ticket sponsorship” option
      - Commissioners agreed that sponsorship levels need increased
        - ACTION ITEM: This needs finalized at November meeting
  - Re-work nomination form
    - Goal is to open nominations be mid-December
      - Discussed wording nomination form to be more focused on DEI – should winners coincide with this year’s theme?
      - ACTION ITEM: This needs to be decided at November’s meeting
  - New date
    - Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>
- Commission picture for Board and Commission Appreciation Event

#### Old Business

- Youth Mental Health Services
  - Marissa will have a CFRD intern do some research regarding who is providing what in terms of mental health services for children under 10 years of age

#### Reports from Commissioners

- Monroe County Women’s Commission Liaison
- High School Liaisons

#### Public Input Adjournment