

HAWAI'I STATE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2022, 12:00 PM –1:30 PM
Public Meeting Minutes
HYBRID: VIRTUAL VIA ZOOM & IN-PERSON MEETING

IN PERSON: Leiopapa A. Kamehameha Building, 235 S. Beretania Street, Conf Room 405, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

VIRTUAL: Via Zoom. If you would like to participate virtually, please register in advance:
<https://tinyurl.com/3w3c2487>

Members Present: Edie Ignacio-Neumiller, Kaua'i Commissioner (Ignacio-Neumiller); Terri Ann Motosue, O'ahu Commissioner (Motosue); Marisa Adaro, O'ahu Commissioner (Adaro); Jennifer Stotter, Hawaii Commissioner (Stotter)

Public:

Staff: Khara Jabola-Carolus (Jabola-Carolus), Velasquez, Keila (Velasquez)

I. Public Notice, Call to Order (1 minute – 12:10p-12:11p)

A. 12:10 p.m. Quorum Declared

II. Review and approval of minutes (1 minute - 12:12-12:13p)

A. MOTION to accept minutes from JUNE 3, 2022 by Terri Ann Motosue , seconded by Marisa Adaro – ALL IN FAVOR, ADOPTED

III. PUBLIC COMMENT (1 minute - 12:14p - 12:15p)

A. No public comments today.

IV. REPORTS (21 minutes) (12:16-12:37p)

A. Executive Director's Report

1. New Secretary

a) Keila Velasquez

2. Budget

a) Balance \$4,000 for the remainder of the quarter, may change due balancing accounts during secretary transition. Overall, we have about \$20,000 remainder.

3. Hawai'i Abortion Collective

a) August 31 Abortion Guide Launch

(1) Successful launch. First guide ever created on abortion rights in Hawai'i.

b) Neighbor Island Outreach and Leadership

(1) Kaua'i

(a) Newly formed abortion access working group, Ignacio-Neumiller is part of this group.

(b) Torn over whether to address abortion stigma or just focus on policy advocacy. Kaua'i had a planned parenthood clinic and was funded by the legislature for 2 years, funding ended and the clinic closed due to political opposition from local community. Telltale lesson in need to organize community, not just policy.

- (c) Certified midwife who is the president of The National College of Midwifery, offering to partner with HSCSW to fly to Kaua'i and offer 2-day free training, available the week of November 15th.
 - (2) Moloka'i - December 1
 - (a) Possible event with the faith community.
 - (3) Jabola-carolus went over the collective voting results on Hawai'i Abortion Collective policy priorities.
 - (a) Top pick was funding a Statewide abortion access coordinator-train an army of nurses; travel for OB's to travel from Oahu to the neighbor islands; County navigators/coordinators for the neighbor islands.
- c) Accessibility Funding Request
 - (a) Request for funding to produce dissemination materials like brochure of guide and to translate guide into different languages that can fit in a brochure. Materials has been approved to be placed in libraries and we continue to do outreach to community health clinics. Motosue, Adaro, Ignacio-Neumiller, and Stotter agree.
 - (b) **Motosue Motioned to approve \$3,000 for the Hawaii Abortion Collective guide to be created into brochure, translated in various languages and be distributed Statewide, seconded by Adaro – ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.**
- 4. MMNHWG Taskforce
 - a) Report will be released on December 14th.
 - b) Secured a grant from the Urban Indian Health Institute for continued work possible for the principal investigator to continue research for the 2nd phase.
 - c) A lot of public interest when the report is released. Jabola-Carolus will be available for presentations.
 - d) Stotter asked what the report is expected to cover. Jabola-Carolus responded with quantitative data and the 2nd phase will be qualitative research trying to fill in the gaps and answer questions by what wasn't answered and building recommendations.
- 5. Proposed 2023 State Legislation
 - a) Women's Legislative Caucus
 - (1) Women's Legislative will incorporate Women's Coalition bills with their slate of bills that they vote on, which will happen in December and WLC package will be announced in January at the YWCA breakfast.
 - b) Women's Coalition
 - (1) October 5th is when the women's coalition will vote on their package and will be given to the Women's Legislative Caucus.
 - c) Of interest
 - (1) None
- B. State Commissioners' Reports and Updates (7 Minutes)
 - 1. Edie Ignacio-Neumiller, Kaua'i Commissioner (3 Minutes) (12:38p - 12:41p)
 - a) NACW recap and list of speakers

- (1) 20-25 speakers presented; some items that were discussed (resolution and action items summary) were advocating for safe health care; Nevada passed the equal rights amendment and the gun control, collaborating with legislature, the US senate and will be doing it on the city level, Approved for the Directors for one-year term, Approved – Vice President, Kitty Asberry to serve a two-year term, Strategic plan to be revisited, resource & Development Committee – to do fundraising (501c3), want to increase membership the next two years, website will be improved, Patricia Wistinghausen appointed by the Board as Associate Director and assigned to work on the NACW Newsletter
- (2) Next 3 years of possible NACW conference locations: 2023 – Boston, Massachusetts (to be confirmed); 2024 – Oklahoma (to be confirmed); 2025 – Baltimore (to be confirmed)
- b) KCCSOW October Breast Cancer Awareness Month
- c) KCCSOW October period product donations to homeless wahine
- 2. Terri Ann Motosue, O’ahu Commissioner (2 Minutes) (12:42 -12:44p)
 - a) Recap of Inaugural Women’s Conference
 - (1) Motosue described tremendous success of inaugural conference and recognized Jabola-Carolus for being the moderator for the conference.
 - (2) Topics that were covered: county commission reports, current status of women in Hawaii recap, keynote appearance by U.S. Senator Mazie Hirono, anti-racism in women's advocacy talk, a panel on emerging trends covering abortion, workers rights, and MMIWG, and legislative policy today and tomorrow.

V. Announcements (1 minute) (12:45p – 12:46p)

- A. Ignacio-Neumiller for the 16 days of activism, missing and murder indigenous women. Zonta club Kaua’i will be partnering with Kaua’i Society of Artist, they will be hanging red dresses at the window or at the gallery from 11/25-12/10. Nikki Cristobal will be speaking about what the red dress project is about and Igancio-Neumiller will be speaking about Zonta international

VI. Adjournment (<1 minute) (12:46p)– MOTION TO ADJOURN EARLY by Motosue , seconded by Stotter, ALL IN FAVOR, ADOPTED - ADJOURNED 12:46 p.m.