

Commission on the Status of Women

Meeting Agenda

December 4th 2017 1:30 PM

Pasco County Utilities Administration Building

19420 Central Boulevard

Land O Lakes, FL 34637

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call/Sign In
- III. Public Comment

Citizens are given an opportunity to comment on any proposition coming before the Committee during Public Comment. The Committee also takes Public Comment on items to be placed on a future Commission on the Status of Women agenda.

IV. Approval of Minutes From Prior Meeting

V. Old Business:

a. Report to BCC on Progress and Topics for Consideration:
Johanna has placed the CSW Top Priorities and Progress presentation on the Board agenda for the **January 9, 2018 meeting in Dade City (11:30 am time certain)**.

i. Any PowerPoint presentation(s) would be due to Johanna by January 2.

ii. Name of presenters needed as well as estimated length of presentation.

iii. Each subcommittee Chair will be giving a brief report as to their progress in the last month.

b. Other Old Business:

Commissioner Starkey had discussed a special luncheon which is hosted by the State Commission on Status of Women each spring. She encouraged the Commission to consider participating. Johanna contacted the State Commission for further information on the event Commissioner Starkey mentioned and any other events.

i. The State Commission holds four quarterly meetings a year, and two large annual events.

ii. The first is a legislative event in Tallahassee called: the Women's Legislative Summit, scheduled to take place February 6-7. This is

when the luncheon Commissioner Starkey mentioned is held, and is also when the awards for the Women's History Essay Contest are presented.

- iii. The second event is the Florida Women's Hall of Fame dinner in September in conjunction with the Future of Florida Forum.
- c. Commissioner Starkey had also suggested that we reach out to the Hillsborough Commission to learn what areas/issues they are addressing. Johanna spoke with Beth Cardenas of Hillsborough County. She stated they have a "very robust and active" group of members.
 - i. Their commission has a 501c3 non-profit called the Friends of the Commission on Status of Women. They too meet monthly on the fourth Tuesday of every month from 11am-1pm at the County Center on E. Kennedy and are comprised of about 14-15 members.
 - ii. They hold two big events every year. In March they host the Women's Hall of Fame and in the fall a Fall Forum on a specific issue, for example: need for food, sexual assault, human trafficking. This year's event is on affordable housing.

VI. New Business

- a. The Commission's previous Meeting Agenda's have been posted on the Commission webpage. The web address is:
<http://www.pascocountyfl.net/index.aspx?nid=2662>
- b. The Florida Commission on the Status of Women is seeking entries for the **2018 Women's History Essay Contest** from students in grades 6-8 if you'd like to spread the word. Deadline for submission is: December 15, 2017. Info was emailed to the Commission and this information can also be placed on the Pasco CSW webpage if the Chair and board members approve?
- c. Other new business: Commissioner Starkey shared that the State Commission is currently seeking nominations for the **2018 Florida Women's Hall of Fame**. Further information on this event is available on their website and information on their legislative event in February will be added to their website soon. The web address is: <http://fcsw.net/>. This information can also be placed on the Pasco CSW webpage if the Chair and board members approve?

VII. Closing:

- a. Review of Assignments
- b. Agenda for Next Meeting. Please note, no meeting in January. Presentation to the BOCC is Tuesday, January 9, 2018, 11:30am (Time Certain) in Dade City. Next CSW meeting is: Monday, February 5, 2018. Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year!