

Marin Women's Commission — Business Meeting Minutes Draft
Tuesday, May 28, 2024 – 6:00pm to 8:00pm
3501 Civic Center Dr., Room 410B, San Rafael, CA 94903

- I. Call to Order/Establish Quorum 6:09pm
 Present: Leslie Belingheri (LB), Aliyya Mattos (AM); Susannah Mrazek(SM), Ajouah Grass (AG), Gloria Castillo (GC); Caroline Vance Bruister (CVB); **Absent:** Maureen Broderick (MB), Katie Koyfman (KK), Erika Rosales-Shelfo (ER), Elizabeth Max (EM).
- II. Approval of Minutes for March 26, 2024
 Tabled
- III. Approval of Minutes for April 23, 2024
 Tabled
- IV. Approval of Agenda for May 28, 2024 **SM/AM/p**
- V. Open Time for Members of the Public to Speak on Items not on the Agenda
 No members of the public present
- VI. Welcome & Introduction of Commissioner Caroline Vance Bruister – D2
 CVB grew up in Marin County and attended Archie Williams High School. CVB has worked with the State and is interested in policy.
- VII. Budget Update: Leslie
 LB reviewed the current budget with the commission.
- VIII. 2025 MTGC – 1) Vote on 2025 Embassy Suites Contract 2) Vote Erin Lacey Contract: Aliyya
 Discussion regarding continuing to hold the Marin Teen Girl Conference at Embassy Suites.
 SM: Commented that Embassy Suites is convenient and close to bus and train transportation.
 LB: Commented that Embassy Suites events are turnkey operations.

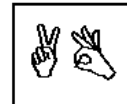
 Motion to hold Marin Teen Girl Conference on March 2, 2025 at Embassy Suites. **LB/SM/p**

 AM: Aliyya will chair the Marin Teen Girl Conference but may move in January.

 Motion to engage Erin Lacey for event support on an hourly basis not to exceed \$2000. **SM/LB/p**

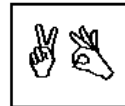
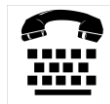
 SM: Suggests bringing in members of the public to volunteer for MTGC.
 AM: Suggests starting work on MTGC in August.
- IX. Election 2024-2025 MWC EC Slate of Officers - Vote: Ajouah & Erika
 AG: Tallied votes by commission: Chair – Leslie Belingheri; Vice-Chair – Susannah Mrazek;
 Secretary – Elizabeth Max; Treasurer – Open.

 Motion to elect slate as presented. **AM/AG/p**
- X. MWC Website Update: Liz
 LB: Reminds commissioners to review EM's email and let her know the websites that you like.



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- XI. Communication Comm Updates – Susannah, Ajouah, Katie
 SM: We will ramp up our social media for the 50th anniversary.
 When we meet for a tour with Damon Connelly. SM also suggested meeting with the Women’s caucus regarding 19 bills they are supporting.
 LB: Dr. Lucie at Dominican University is interested in doing something with the commission for the 50th anniversary.
 CVB: Volunteered to contact the Women’s caucus.
- XII. Legislative Comm Updates – Susannah, Ajouah, Katie
 Discussion Narcan vending machines in schools.
 AG: This will be a long term project. Narcan is currently administered by the schools.
 LB: Suggests AG write a letter and MWC can support going forward.
 AM: Suggests OD Free could lead the conversation with the Board of Education and MWC.
 SM: OD Free also works with Community Action Marin.
 AG: Ajouah does not have the capacity to take on the project with work obligations but will write a letter.
- XIII. Chair Update: 1) Committee to write new bylaw for adding At-Large Member - Vote 2) Form 700
 3) Possible Fall retreat – Sat, Sept 28?
 LB: Discussed adding an At-Large commissioner which will bring the commission up to 12 members. The Clerk is in favor. MWC will need an ad hoc committee to update the bylaws of LB can write and bring to the next meeting.
 SM: Crystal Martinez will help and walk us through it.
 AM: Volunteered to update the bylaws.
- Motion to appoint Aliyya Mattos to look into and revise the MWC bylaws to add an At-Large member.
CVB/AG/p
- LB: Reminded all commissioners that their Form 700s are due by June 21.
 September 28 is a tentative date for the Fall retreat. Leslie will send dates. Leslie requested that all Commissioners check their calendars.
- XIV. Guest Speaker: Kari Cordero, Executive Director of SANE-SART
 Kari Cordero provided a background on the SANE-SART program and MWC involvement.
 SM: How can the MWC support funding for SANE-SART.
 Kari: Kari will get data regarding funds needed.
 It would be helpful for the MWC to help SANE-SART get out of the pilot program and obtain a contract. SANE-SART runs out of money every year and the project must be renewed every year. The District Attorney is very helpful.
 Sex assault is still the number one most underreported crime.
 Most exams are for the 21 – 45 year old age group.
 Translators must be certified medical translators.
 LB: MWC to advocate to the BOS to roll out of pilot program into permanent funding. Is support needed for Domestic Violence funding?
 Kari: it is not in any budget that I am aware of. Helping Domestic Violence victims would give more purpose to the team.
 GC: Commented that there is also the immigration aspect to not reporting.
 Kari: Grateful Garments provides clothes for sexual assault victims at the hospital.
 Thank you cards would be appreciated by the team.
 SANE-SART would also like to be involved in the Marin Teen Girl Conference.
 LB: MWC could send cards and a care package to the team.



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XV. Open time for Commissioners + Q & A

SM: Suggests some type of volunteer work for the commission. MWC could volunteer to weed at Hal Brown Park.

XVI. Adjournment

7:58pm

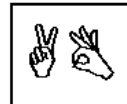
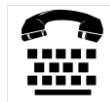
KEY DATES:

Regular Meetings: Last Meeting of the 2023-24 Term: Tues, June 25;

July Meeting Cancelled; First Meeting of 2024-25 term-Tues, Aug 27; Tues, Sept 24; Tues, Oct 22; Nov/Dec
TBD

Sat, Nov. 16: Fall Retreat, 9AM-2PM, Dominican University

Sun, March 2, 2025 - MTGC



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