

**COMMISSION FOR WOMEN
MEETING MINUTES**

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The Commission for Women convened for a regular meeting on Wednesday, October 9, 2019 at One Texas Center, 505 Barton Springs Road, in Austin, Texas.

Chair Austen called the Commission Meeting to order at 12:07 p.m.

Commissioners in Attendance:

Rebecca Austen, Chair
Flannery Bope, Vice Chair
Tanya Athar-Jogee
Rossana Barrios
Julia Cuba Lewis
Neva Fernandez
Juliana Gonzales
Dyana Limon-Mercado
Sarah Tober

Commissioners Absent:

Nancy Cárdenas Peña
Amanda Lewis

Staff in Attendance:

Vicky Nguyen, Human Resources Department
Bryan Dore, Human Resources Department
Rebecca Kennedy, Human Resources Department

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Ciji Wagner.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the regular meeting of September 11, 2019 were approved on Vice Chair Bope's motion, Commissioner Fernandez's second on a 7-0 vote. Commissioners Barrios and Tober were off the dais. Commissioners Cárdenas Peña and Lewis were absent.

The minutes from the regular meeting of September 11, 2019 were approved with changes on Commissioner Tober's motion, Commissioner Barrios' second on a 9-0 vote. Commissioners Cárdenas Peña and Lewis were absent.

2. OLD BUSINESS

a. Discussion and possible action regarding the following working groups:

i. Economic equity

Discussion was held. No action was taken.

ii. Sexual assault, violence prevention, and survivor experience

Discussion was held. No action was taken.

iii. Access to quality and affordable healthcare

The action to remove Commissioner Barrios from this working group was approved on Vice Chair Bope's motion, Commissioner Fernandez's second on a 9-0 vote. Commissioners Cárdenas Peña and Lewis were absent.

iv. Women's Hall of Fame

The action to add Commissioner Limon-Mercado to this working group was approved on Vice Chair Bope's motion, Commissioner Tober's second on a 9-0 vote. Commissioners Cárdenas Peña and Lewis were absent.

b. Discussion and possible action regarding updates from the Joint Inclusion Committee.

Discussion was held. No action was taken.

c. Discussion and possible action regarding the recommendation for the City of Austin FY2020 budget.

Discussion was held. No action was taken.

d. Discussion regarding changes to the Commission's bylaws and mission statement.

Discussion was held. No action was taken.

e. Updates, discussion, and possible action regarding adult entertainment club promotional wording.

Discussion was held. No action was taken.

3. BRIEFINGS

a. Presentation regarding a 2020 program partnership opportunity by Molly Alexander, Executive Director of the Downtown Austin Alliance Foundation.

Presentation was shown.

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. Discussion and possible action regarding a 2020 program partnership opportunity with the Downtown Austin Alliance Foundation.

Discussion was held. No action was taken.

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b. Discussion and possible action regarding future meeting dates/times/rooms for 2020.

The action to set the 2020 meeting schedule for the first Wednesday of each month at 12 p.m., with the January meeting being on the second Wednesday at 12 p.m., was approved on Vice Chair Bope's motion, Commissioner Barrios' second on a 9-0 vote. Commissioners Cárdenas Peña and Lewis were absent.

c. Discussion and possible action regarding public/private partnerships.

Discussion was held. No action was taken.

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Presentation from Austin Public Health regarding women's health.**
- b. A special called meeting was called by Vice Chair Bope for December 4, 2019 at 12 PM.**
- c. Presentation from CAN Network about their dashboard.**
- d. Presentation on SIMS Foundation.**
- e. Presentation from local Planned Parenthood.**

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Austen adjourned the meeting at 1:25 p.m. without objection.