

Status of Women Thursday, October 26, 2017 5:30 p.m. City Hall, 71 Main St. W., Room 193

Present: Denise Christopherson, Janice Lukas, Katie Hood, Laura Cattari, Doreen Ssenabulya Miracle Chukwu, Zenaida Roque Cruz, Yulena Wan

Regrets: Micaela Corcoran, Marie Robbins, Alexandra MacLean

Absent: Matthew Green, Aidan Johnson, Donna Skelly, Katherine Kalinowski

Also Present: Nadia Olivieri (Staff Liaison), Betsy Pocop (Staff Liaison).

Guests: Brianna Bharath, McMaster University Student (observer)

Co-Chair: Laura Cattari

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Co-Chair Laura Cattari welcomed everyone to the meeting. Round table introduction made for the benefit of our guest. Guest advised of her reason for attending.

1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

(D. Ssensabulya/ M. Chukwu)

That the Status of Women Committee agenda of September 27, 2017 be accepted as presented. **CARRIED**

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None Declared

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(Z. Roque Cruz/ J. Lukas)

That the Status of Women Committee approves the minutes June 22, 2017 as presented. **CARRIED**

(M. Chukwu/ D. Ssensabulya)

That the Status of Women Committee approves the minutes of September 28, 2017 as presented. **CARRIED**

4. CONSENT ITEMS- None

5. PRESNETATIONS - None

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6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 6.1.1. Any additional feedback on the Equity Lens Tool Kit (due by Friday October 27, 2017) email staff with any further feedback.
- 6.1.2. Member feedback on Elect More Women 2017 Conference: Several members attended/volunteered. The Young Women Advisory Committee contributed to the success of the conference. Those in attendance appreciated the open conversation on the challenges faced by women in politics. Future topics of interest: networking, public Speaking, how to guide for campaigning, leadership training and more of the same delivered.

At this conference, women registrants were asked to donate a fee. Registration fees collected summed to \$1,200.00. The funds collect will offset the amount budgeted by SWC (up to \$3000.00). Based on the final account receivable, SWC will pay \$1,152,54 of the conference costs. Formal account receivable report will be presented at November's meeting.

- 6.1.3. Member feedback on other relevant events/conferences -n/a
- 4. **NOTICES OF MOTION -**None
- **5. MOTIONS** to follow below.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

6.1. 2018 Budget Planning

Members reviewed 2017 Budget and agreed to proceed with the same budget for 2018.

Motion: 2018 Budget Approval

(Y. Wan/ Z. Roque Cruz)

That the 2018 Status of Women Committee budget submission in the amount of \$3500.00 be received. **CARRIED**

6.1.1.2017 To Date Budget Expenditures including Elect More Women budget expenditure

Motion: 2017 Expenditure

(Y. Wan/ Z. Roque Cruz)

That the Elect More Women Conference sponsorship of \$1,152. 54 be received and noted against the remaining 2017 Status of Women Committee available budget funds. **CARRIED**

Members are to return with suggestions for the meaningful use of \sim \$1000.00 in available 2017 budget funds.

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- 6.2. Work Plan Discussion -deferred
 - 6.2.1.Child Care Policy
 - 6.2.2.Gender Equity Budget Conference
- 6.3. Feedback on Child Care request process notification of childcare needs to be email by Staff to Andrea Davies (YWCA)
- 6.4. Feedback on parking request process

As per J. Lukas process working well.

NB: If you have Accessible Parking Permit you are free to park in any Municipal Parking Lot for 12 hours.

6.5. Review of Committee Member Status

Motion: Resignations accepted

(D. Christopherson/K. Hood)

That the Status of Women Committee agrees to the resignation of Micaela Corcoran. **CARRIED**

(D. Ssensabulya/Z. Roque Cruz)

That the Status of Women Committee agrees to the resignation of Alexandra MacLean. **CARRIED**

- 6.6. Information Sharing (relevant to SWC activities)
 - 6.6.1. Women of Distinction Award open for nominations. Some history for the award was provided. Nominations are due by November 6, 2017 8:00 am. Some history for the award was provided. SWC can consider purchasing tickets for members to attend the event in March 2018.
 - 6.6.2.Level Up November 7, 2017. Longitudinal study results on Women Leaders. Results of the study will be presented at the event.
 - 6.6.3.Ignite the Spark November 11, 2017 Local Union sponsored event on how to get elected into the Union
 - 6.6.4. December 28, 2017 SWC meeting.

Motion: Meeting Cancelation

(M. Chukwu/K. Hood)

That the Status of Women Committee meeting scheduled for December 28, 2017 be canceled. **CARRIED**

7. ADJOURNMENT

(Z. Roque Cruz/ Y. Wan)

That the Status of Women Committee meeting be adjourned at 6:40pm. **CARRIED**

NEXT MEETING

Thursday, November 23rd, 2017 5:30 p.m. – Room 193, City Hall

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Time: 6:40pm