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**COMMISSION FOR WOMEN  
MINUTES**

Monday, May 23, 2022, 6:45 pm - Virtual

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Mary Hastler
2. **Attendance/Introductions:** Present: Mary Hastler, Chair; Jill Hamilton, Vice Chair; Kristi Halford, Alison Imhoff, Bonnie Miranda, Cathy Ohler; Stacey Rebbert; Mary Teddy Wray  
Absent: Roslyn Hannibal-Booker, Nafisa Multani, Robin Tomechko, Nancy Turner  
Guests: Robbin Scott, Warline Bryant  
Coordinator: Sylvia Bryant
3. **Approval of Minutes:**  
Jill Hamilton moved to approve the Minutes from the March 28<sup>th</sup> meeting and Cathy Ohler, seconded. Unanimous approval. The Commission did not meet in April; lacked quorum.
4. **Chairwoman's Report:** Chair Mary Hastler – The Commissioners were thanked for attending the Maryland Women's Commission Round Table discussion last week. Ms. Hastler will follow up with the requested information.
5. **Coordinator's Report:** Coordinator Sylvia Bryant – The County is sponsoring a tire drop-off day on, Friday, June 10<sup>th</sup>; will forward the flyer to the Commissioners to share. Harford Leadership Academy (HLA) is hosting its Volunteerism day at Fallston Volunteer Station on Carrs Mills Road, 8 a.m. to 12 noon, Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup>.
6. **Committee Updates:-**
  - A. Governance Committee – Chair Cathy Ohler- Bylaws updates – The current Bylaws will be edited and distributed to the Commissioners for review and discussion at the June meeting.

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- B. Membership Development Committee – Chair Joy Christmas – Robbin Scott is with us this evening and has submitted her application. This is the second Commission meeting that Robbin has attended.
- C. Women of Tomorrow – Chair Mary Teddy Wray
  - a. Event Report
  - b. Name Change – Ms. Bryant will send Ms. Hastler the proposed new names. Each Commissioner will be asked to vote for their top name. The County will research to ensure that the new name is available and not copyrighted.
- D. Community Conversations - Chair Roslyn Hannibal-Booker
  - a. Financial Literacy for Women – The April 26<sup>th</sup> date was cancelled and needs to be rescheduled.
  - b. Words that Hurt, Wednesday, September 21, 2022, 6:30pm
  - c. Human Trafficking – to be determined
- E. Maryland Commission for Women – Kristi Halford
  - a. Legislative Update – No new news to report.
  - b. Status of Women Report – Good information to review and to keep in mind for future discussion and planning.
  - c. Commissions for Women Roundtable – Three Harford Commissioners attended a portion of the meeting and Ms. Hastler will follow up with answers to the questions posed.
- 7. **Old Business:**
  - A. Benchmarking – Bonnie Miranda, Sylvia Bryant – The report and excel priority ranking sheet will be distributed to the Commissioners. Please review between now and the June meeting for discussion.
- 8. **New Business:** The Commission discussed the need to get the word out to encourage people to vote. The primary has been rescheduled for July 19<sup>th</sup>. We will reach out to the Harford County League of Women Voters to see if we can partner with them in the July 4<sup>th</sup> parades and more.
- 9. **Next Meeting:**  
Monday, June 27, 2022, 6:45pm via WebEx
- 10. **Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.