

**AGENDA**  
**Seattle Women's Commission**  
*Monday, April 17th, 2023, 5:30 –7:30 p.m.*

Website: <https://www.seattle.gov/womenscommission>

Facilitators: T. Yasu, S. Liu

Note taker: M. Stone

Timekeeper:

Attendance: Kyla Evans, Sarah Liu, Jema Turk, Rebecca Bryant, Krystal Guerrero\*, Rachel Morowitz, Vinati Mamidala, Theresa Faltesek-Gibbons, Abriel Johnny

Absent: Marcia Wright-Soika, Jamilah Williams, Tana Yasu, Whitney Nakamura

Staff: Tracy Myers, Meredith Stone

Guests:

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1LeLk0\\_715dE4IO56C7ngyng-gU7CUM5Rq3fWpx7xNZE/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1LeLk0_715dE4IO56C7ngyng-gU7CUM5Rq3fWpx7xNZE/edit?usp=sharing)

Time	Topic	Lead
5:30	<p>Welcome to SWC Monthly Meeting</p> <p>Land/ Labor Acknowledgment:</p> <p>We are currently occupying the unceded lands of many First Peoples; Coast Salish people, Muckleshoot, Suquamish, Stillaguamish, and Duwamish. We acknowledge and thank local First Nations for their centuries of land stewardship that long predates the arrival of European settlers. We remind you to be aware of the spaces you occupy locally, that these lands were stolen from First People in the name of white settler colonialism and that you seek ways to continue your education and give back to local Indigenous communities.</p> <p>Duwamish Tribe's website            ***</p> <p>“We must acknowledge that much of what we know of this country today, including its culture, economic growth, and development throughout history and across time, has been made possible by the labor of enslaved Africans and their ascendants who suffered the horror of the transatlantic trafficking of their people, chattel slavery, and Jim Crow. We are indebted to their labor and their sacrifice, and we must acknowledge the tremors of that violence throughout the generations and the resulting impact that can still be felt and witnessed today.”            Dr. Terah “TJ” Stewart)</p>	S. Liu

	<p>Introductions/ Roll Call</p> <p>Approve minutes for Mar meeting</p> <p><b>-Commissioner Evans motions, Commissioner Bryant 2nds, all approve, motion passes</b></p> <p>Approve Agenda for Apr meeting</p> <p><b>-Commissioner Liu motions, Commissioner Evans 2nds, all approve, motion passes</b></p>	
5:40	<p>Notetaker Process</p> <p>Co-Chairs for Next Term (Starting July 2nd)</p> <p>- Right now staff are taking minutes, the commission used to have a secretary role, or commissioners can take turns taking minutes.</p> <p><b>ACTION: Co-chairs will discuss and will send proposal to commission</b></p> <p>Co-Chairs</p> <p>-New co-chairs up for vote to start in July.</p> <p><b>ACTION: Consider co-chair nominations, vote to occur at June meeting</b></p>	T. Yasu
5:45	Public Comment	-
5:50	<p>King County's Women Advisory Board</p> <p>-KC WAB was unable to attend tonight. Will come to May 15<sup>th</sup> meeting</p> <p><b>ACTION: Co-chairs will schedule KC WAB for the May meeting</b></p>	M. Stone
6:25	Break	
6:35	<p>Subcommittee Report-out</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Subcommittee Updates on <a href="#">2022-2023 SWC Initiatives</a></li> </ul>	Subcommittee Chairs

- **Housing Access**
  - OED data on housing instability, looking for data during covid along gender lines
  - Can this translate into policy/recovery aid?
  - Housing levy. How can the commission get involved? Council is meeting later this week about it.
  - Thinking about putting together an event to convene those doing work in the community around this. Event could be at community centers (not City Hall). City has some info on community engagement:  
<https://www.seattle.gov/documents/Departments/Housing/Footer%20Pages/Housing%20Levy/2023%20Seattle%20Housing%20Levy%20Community%20Engagement%20Report.pdf>

**ACTION: Commissioner Bryant will be in touch with staff on next steps**

- **Affordable Childcare**
  - Workplan is complete. Will do a couple of blog posts, one highlights Seattle Human Services Coalition, wants commission to connect more with the coalition. Wage equity report has recommendations to get to wage equity especially with childcare workers.
  - Housing blog post, is trying to connect with Nicole. Commissioner Wright-Soika has this connection.
  - Getting word out about resources that are available. Want to do this over social media.

**ACTION: Commissioner Evans will be in touch with staff regarding blog posts**

- **MMIW Day of Remembrance 5/5**
  - Want to support MMIW event already being planned by community. March is on

	<p>May 6. Idea to redirect SAAM funds (\$500) to community event/march.</p> <p>-Discussion on supporting community event vs. holding our own. Propose to reduce commission-organized events in order to support more community-led efforts.</p> <p><b>MOTION: Commissioner Liu moves that the commission sponsors the May 6 MMIW for up to \$500. Kyla 2nds, all in support, motion passes</b></p> <p><b>ACTION: Staff will reach out to Commissioner Johnny to arrange sponsor payment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Working on workplan</li> <li>-Commissioner Johnny is co-chair of this sub-committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Communications</li> </ul> </li> <li>-No updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Outreach and Recruitment</li> </ul> </li> <li>-Commission wants help with recruitment efforts. Commissions staff is working on updating press releases, social media posts, blog posts, etc.</li> </ul> <p><b>ACTION: Staff will reach out to Commissioner Nakamura to get status/capacity details.</b></p>	
7:00	<p>Commissioner Handbook Group Agreement</p> <p>-Discussed handbook. Commissioner Mamidala suggests going over section at a time during monthly meetings.</p> <p>-Group Agreement: reviewed, discussed revising, no current revisions</p> <p><b>ACTION: Co-chairs will pick one topic from Handbook (or bylaws) to discuss in-depth at May meeting</b></p>	S. Liu

7:20	Seattle Office of Civil Rights Updates/ Report	M. Stone, T. Myers
7:30	Adjourned	