

**Georgia Commission on Women
Full Committee Meeting
June 21, 2021**

Minutes

Present: via zoom: Tita Stewart, Julianna McConnell, Karla Jacobs, Sharon Baker, Michelle Nelson, Sally Barker, Jill Nelson. Visitors: Cheryl Moates, Janza Bonsu

- Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Chair Stewart.
- Pledge of allegiance cited by all.
- Review of Old Minutes: Minutes circulated. Commissioner Jacobs recommended acceptance as circulated. Commissioner McConnell seconded. Approved.
- Report of the Treasurer: Commissioner Jacobs shared the spread sheet of expenses. She reported we have \$15,952.23 remaining. Outstanding invoices: \$10,000 for UAPRN sponsorship and approximately \$400-500 for office printer, cartridges and supplies as well as expenses for GCW logo shirts for commissioners. Commissioner Jacobs stated all expenses should be submitted by the end of the month to assure payments from this year's budget.
- Budget Status: Commissioner Jacobs suggested we begin working on next year's budget with some changes in categories. She suggested a separate category designated for sponsorships.
- Review of Pillars, Report from Committee Chairs
Human Trafficking:
 1. Commissioner Jacobs reported from the human trafficking pillar as follows: She traveled to Columbus on June 3 to do training for hotel managers with about 25 in attendance for a very successful meeting. Participants from Alabama requested she develop training for hotel managers in their state.
 2. Money being designated for training in Savannah in the fall.
 3. Commissioner McConnell reported legislative group is waiting for priorities from all task forces before deciding legislation to follow and support.
 4. Commissioner Jacobs reported there is a CJCC statewide human trafficking task force with multiple disciplines participating. There are 9 work groups. 4 GCW commissioners serving on task forces.
 5. August 25th at noon there will be a GBI talk about online enticement of children.
 6. November 3 at noon the child advocacy centers of Georgia will hold a workshop on familial trafficking of children.
 7. There is also a Georgia Coalition to Combat Trafficking that is less than one year old that is focused on law enforcement. GPSTIK is re-tooling human trafficking training for all law enforcement personnel. It is hoped this training will be a required training.

Legislative:

1. Commissioner McConnell reported HB430 will be coming up that will offer a license for APRN's in the upcoming session. There are many reports and forms that must be completed for submission.

Marketing:

1. Name tags are in the office. GCW shirts for commissioners will be ordered. Two new tablecloths have been ordered for future trainings and conferences.
- New Business:
 - Upcoming Conferences – UAPRN. GCW will be a major sponsor. Commissioner Nelson is doing a site visit at the Marriot Evergreen hotel in Stone Mountain. The set up will be similar to the Wellness Summit. There will be 8 speakers for the day. There will be exhibitors on site. This will be an on site conference. There will be skills training as well. The conference is planned for October 9, 2021. There will be a gala that evening that will introduce all commissioners. Commissioner Nelson encouraged everyone to put this on their calendar and plan to attend.
 - Advisory Committee Discussion: This idea will continue to be developed.
 - Commissioner Seats (Expired/Resigned): Commissioners Jacobs and McConnell are continuing to discuss appointment for vacancies. Several commissioner's appointment terms have expired and several commissioners have elected not to return.
 - 2021-2022 Georgia Wellness Summit: Johnessa reported there were 535 participants registered for the summit. It was very professional and a huge success. She also reported that she now has a database of all attendees to expand our outreach.
 - Georgia Wellness Summit 2022: There was general agreement that the summit should be our annual signature event. This will be discussed at the August executive meeting.
 - Unfinished Business:
 - Commissioner Bios Request: Johnessa requested that ALL commissioners submit this information and also submit updates or new pictures.
 - Blog Schedule (June/July/August) Johnessa requested submissions of blogs.
 - Adjournment: Commissioner Stewart recommended adjournment at 8:18 p.m. Commissioner Baker recommended and Commissioner Nelson seconded. Meeting ended.