**Call to Order and Roll Call:**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Edith Thomas at 6:03PM. Acknowledgment of the Land of Solano County honoring Cahuilla Doche Winton Nation. Reviewed the Mission, breathing practice, brief discussion on the spirit of the Commission.

**Members Present:                               Executive Committee**

Mary Henderson Solano County, District 1

Ana Petero                          Solano County, District 2

Sullina Sanchez Solano County, District 3

Jacqui Nguyen Solano County, District 5                           Secretary

Gayle Vaughan City of Benicia

Pat Nicodemus City of Dixon                                              Treasurer

Patty Kohn City of Rio Vista

Tiffani Thomas City of Suisun                                            Co-Chair

Edith Thomas City of Vacaville                                         Chair

Sofia Cruz City of Vallejo  
Andrea Lemos Solano County Office of Education           Membership

Akon Walker                         Member at Large

Sidonie Seltzer                     Youth Member at Large

**Absent**:

Jennifer Hamilton  Solano County, District 4

Rechelle Nettles  City of Fairfield

Julianna Biggs Youth Member at Large

**Guests:**

Kimberlee Staking

Dr. Frances McCullough

Helena

1. **Approval of Agenda**

Commissioner Vaughn called for point of order to approve the agenda. Commissioner Vaughn moved and Commissioner Walker seconded the motion to approve 01.20.2022 agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

1. **Approval of Previous Minutes**

Commissioner Vaughn requested to correct the spelling of Commissioner Loomas’ name. Commissioner Lemos moved and Commissioner Nicodemus seconded the minutes. Commissioners Vaughn, Seltzer, and Petero abstained as they didn’t attend December’s meeting.

**Regular Calendar**

1. Chair Thomas delivered remarks regarding Commissioner Nettles’ resignation as Secretary and requested the board to thank Commissioner Nettles for her service.

Commissioner Petero moved to vote on Commissioner Nguyen as Secretary and Commissioner Vaughn seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

1. Chair Thomas explained AB 361& requested approval to meet via Zoom on February 17th, 2022. Commissioner Loomas moved and Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

1. Chair Thomas shared that the Solano County Friends of the Commission has an EIN and is ready to be the financial agent for the Commission. Chair Thomas will meet with former Commissioner Kelly to discuss the details. Commissioner Thomas thanked Dr. McCullough for the work the founders did to create the Commission. Dr. McCullough reported that they finishing the bylaws
2. Commissioner Nicodemus provided a Treasurers Report update: $1,739.09 with an increase of $0.08.

1. CA Commission of the Status of Women & Girls Recovery Response Grant RFP has been issued and was emailed to all Commissioners. Chair Thomas and Commissioner Loomas participated in the Technical Meeting. Concepts and plans are being developed. There is a work group meeting for Commissioners to participate in the development. The grant is due February 3, 2022. There are 5 categories: Capacity Building, Communications, Community Engagement, Direct Service, and Re-granting.

1. Working Groups Status Update**:**

Birth Justice Work Group: Commissioner Thomas provided an update on the January work group. The brainstorming session was productive and is planned for May.

Violence Against Women & Girls: Commissioner Vaughn provided an update on the January work-group. The short-term goal is the launch of the Angel Shot Project (national program.) Goal is to have the filers in place by March 17, 2022. Projects on hold: Working with the Family Justice Center & training for law enforcement re: handling of domestic abuse and funding the House of Hope. Board of Supervisors issued a Resolution on National Slavery and Human Trafficking Month.

Houslessness didn’t have an official meeting. Chair Thomas attended Vacaville City Council Meeting. They are currently holding the planning for housing for the next 20 years. Oak Grove low income Senior Housing project was also approved with Eden Housing.

Women’s History Month:  Commissioner Patero shared that the work group has been meeting on Saturdays at 11am. Events will be held Wednesday evenings in March.

Themes include Women & Health, Women in Community Action, Women in Business, and Women in Fine Arts. Chair Thomas is seeking nominations for women to participate in the program. The nomination information should include: category for the program, name, ethnicity, youth or senior and a little about their incredible story.

1. Commissioners that were nominated by County Supervisors will connect to discuss CEDAW. They plan to connect on Friday, January 11th 5-6pm. Links of detailed info has been emailed to various Commissioners.

Commissioner Cruz will send out a doodle poll to organize a date and time for our SCWG Commissioner retreat

1. We have yet to locate a photographer for Commissioner and group pictures. Commissioner Sanchez and Commissioner Lemos offered to locate a professional photographer. Need to get this and our website updated and organized asap.

A few Commissioners shared about their meetings or plans to meet with their Mentors.

1. Trainings have been scheduled for the Brown Act and AB 1234. Commissioner Lemos asked that when those trainings were completed they send in signed training verifications in.

Adjourned: Chair Thomas adjourned at 8:15PM.