

AGENDA

SOMERVILLE COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, , 2009

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

50 Evergreen Avenue

Somerville, MA

617-625-6600

Commission's purpose is "to act as a centralizing force in the City of Somerville to ensure the equal status of women in educational, economic, political, health, legal, and social spheres including the provision of information, referrals and guidance... [and] to take any action considered appropriate by the SCW to ensure the equal status of women of every race, religion, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, national origin, ability, age and sexual orientation."

CALL TO ORDER

5 minutes

Roll Calls & Introductions

- | | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sonja Darai: Acting Executive Director, Somerville Commissions | <input type="checkbox"/> Michelle Albert: Commissioner |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Correen Demers: Co-Chairwoman | <input type="checkbox"/> Chien Chi : Commissioner |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nancy Bacci: Co-Chairwoman | <input type="checkbox"/> Alicia Byrd: Commissioner |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Keisha | <input type="checkbox"/> Christine Rafal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fabia | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> |

REGULAR BUSINESS

5 minutes

Approval of Agenda : _9/16/09_Regular Meeting
Approval of Minutes : _8/19/09_Regular Meeting

5 minutes

Announcements (Sonja):

Centro Presente Electoral Forum:

- Wed. Oct. 7th 6PM
- how to increase civic participation in the city and educate the community of Somerville about the next electoral process in the city.
- No sponsorship, point of interestf

Michelle and Sonja will attend

October 15th

Women in politics at the state house room B room/ Centro

Sonja will send out an announcement on the yahoo group.

15 minutes

Staff Update: Sonja Darai

- Director's report
- What other ways can we reach young women with TADA , other than SHS.

10 minutes	Addition of “Committee Reports” (nancy): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ How and when will we implement committees? ➤ Events ➤ Legislative 	Do we want to begin to think about how we want to divvy up these responsibilities? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Outreach: other agencies, community ➤ We’ll revisit in 2 months to check membership ➤ For the next meeting we will commit to areas of responsibility
------------	-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------

15 minutes	Review of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ No event to review 	
------------	-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	--

NEW BUSINESS

15 minutes	DV Workshop : Sonja <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ co-sponsor a workshop with the Mayor's Taskforce on Suicide Prevention and Mental Health on the intersection of mental illness and violence against ➤ Proposed Date: Mid-October (10/15) or Mid-November (11/17) <u>Time:</u> 5-7pm ➤ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Outreach ➤ <p>NANCY is on the committee. Name is “the Somerville committee on suicide prevention and mental health. Goal is to make connections with people. “making connections” is the yearlong theme.</p> <p>Victims of DV are at higher risk for suicide.what are the intersections of DV and mental health. “breaking the silence” is the goal (sim to DV)</p> <p>Suicide prevention walk – Public health awareness month – APRIL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Co sponsor puts our name • Outreach via list serve to reach people who need to be convincedthgis is an issue • Promote via social marketing (parking lot discuss) • There are information cards we could use
------------	--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------

10 minutes	RESPOND VIGIL: Michelle <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Date: 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Event Description ➤ Outreach
------------	------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------

10 minutes	SCW in Community: Michelle <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Who is going to do what? ➤ advertising 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ When to start? ➤ Who do we need to go through to get permissions
------------	---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------

10 minutes	Redesign of materials, new logo: Michelle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Michelle will begin work on this. What do you want to communicate?
------------	--------------------------------------------------	------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------

10 minutes	Strong Women Strong Girls Initiative: MICHELLE Present partnership opportunity.	
------------	-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	--

Additional Comments, Ideas, Suggestions

**FOLLOW UP
TASKS & NEXT
MEETING
AGENDA ITEMS**

ADJOURN: Next regular meeting Wednesday, October 21, 2009