

ARLINGTON COUNTY  
COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN  
September 10, 2020 Meeting Minutes

**Meeting date/time:** September 10, 2020 at 7 pm      **Meeting location:** Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting  
**Minutes by:** Margaret Turlington      **Minutes approved:** January 14, 2021

<b><u>Commissioners</u></b>		<b><u>Present</u></b>	<b><u>Absent</u></b>
1.	Stephanie Dix Clifford (Chair)	X	
2.	Marguerete Luter (Vice Chair)	X	
3.	Caroline Romano	X	
4.	Sasha Whitney		X
5.	Margaret Turlington	X	
6.	Azadeh Meshkaty		X
7.	Xenia Ruiz		X
8.	Ingrid Vaicius	X	
9.	Emily Zimmerman		X
10.	Julia Tanner	X	
11.	Michelle Woolley		X
12.	Arbora Johnson	X	
<b>Total</b>		<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>
<b><u>County Liaison/Advisor</u></b>			
	Aruna Minhas	X	
<b><u>Student Commissioner</u></b>			
	Nehal Abouelnor		X

**Meeting called to order by/at:** Stephanie Clifford at 7:05 pm

**Previous minutes were:** January 9, 2020- Approved  
February 13, 2020- Approved  
February 23, 2020- Approved

**Guest(s):** None

**Chair/Vice Chair**

*Stephanie Clifford, Chair and Marguerete Luter, Vice Chair.*

1. Commissioner Turlington moved to adopt the minutes as presented. Commissioner Johnson seconded. Passed without objection.
2. Legislative priorities are probably the next task. Commissioner Tanner volunteer
3. We are requesting that the County's new diversity director attend an upcoming meeting.
4. Status of student commissioner.

**Forums and Special Events Department**

*Jill Caizzo, Caroline Romano, and Sasha Whitney, Event Coordinators*

**Research and Investigation Department**

*Azadeh Meshkaty and Sasha Whitney, Co-Directors*

**Public Relations Department**

*Emily Zimmerman, Director and Ingrid Vaicius, Deputy Director*

### **Women of Vision Committee**

*Julia Tanner, Chair*

*Committee: Caroline Romano, Jill Caiazza, Marguerete Luter, Emily Zimmerman, Ingrid Vaicius, Azadeh Meshkaty, Meg Turlington*

1. Committee met on Tuesday.
  - a. Highlight consideration of candidates who do not strictly fit a category.
  - b. Consideration of not soliciting sponsorships in light of changed format and how tight finances are.
2. Discussion of timeline.
  - a. The dates under consideration all had conflicts.
    - i. The biggest issue here is that it could not be livestreamed to the county's main stream.
    - ii. Do not want to conflict with Human Rights Awards.
3. Discussion regarding the value of the awards in light of issues.
4. Commissioner Turlington moved to forego the Women of Vision Awards this year. Commissioner Romano seconded.  
The motion passed unanimously.

### **Other New Business and Announcements**

**Meeting Adjourned at: 7:35 pm**