



MePCSW Meeting Minutes

March 4, 2020 - 1:00 pm-3:00 pm
Nash School Building, Augusta

In Attendance: Darylen McQuirk Cote, Jennifer Wilkey

Participating Remotely: Rebecca Austin, Meredith Strang Burgess, Kate Elmes, Anne Gass, Samantha Lott Hale, Jill Randall

Absent: Susan Mackey Andrews, Amy Fried, Fatuma Hussein, Ruth Kermish-Allen, Muriel Mosher, Bonnie Porta

Welcome & Introductions

Approve February 6, 2020 meeting minutes

Motion to approve minutes by Anne, seconded by Sam, all in favor

Report Updates - The commission reviewed the draft report

Needs of underserved women - Ready

Retitle from New Maine Women to include broader coalition of less-represented communities. Conversation on how to ensure we're being inclusive and highlighting need for more data. Add line to intro about the lack of information and why we intentionally and symbolically included it as a short section. What Maine can do: commission and fund a study of needs

Education

Health

Place 2017 data in parking lot for now. Include mention of the opioid crisis. Focus on women's health, particularly in relation to pre and post-natal women and menopause.

Freedom from Violence - Rebecca and Jennifer will format and edit.

Economic security - Ready

Intro

Person in charge of each section pull out a key point and an action step for an executive summary. Add language to intro about recognizing and supporting self-identified women. Recommend reallocating an at-large seat for representation on commission. Jennifer will review timeline and keep to one page.

Conclusion - Keep as is for now.

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Action

- Rebecca will send an email asking for executive summary items by Tuesday.
- Anne will edit and condense all sections by March 9th. She will transfer long-term goals to the parking lot document
- Jennifer will review the timeline and format the report.

Proposed meeting schedule for 2020

Rebecca will send out a Doodle Poll.

Next meeting date

Week of March 16th. Rebecca will send out a Doodle Poll.

Adjourn at 3:02 pm