



**Oklahoma Commission on the Status of Women
Regular Meeting
Stillwater Library, Stillwater, Oklahoma**

Date: November 18, 2010

Commission Members Present: Rita Aragon, Fern Bowling, Patti Bryant, Malaska Elyazgi, Deena Fisher, Lou Kohlman, Joyce Martin, Jennifer Paustenbaugh, Peggy Thompson, Mary Walker and Adeline Yerkes

Commissioner Members Excused: Rep. Lee Denney, Catherine Haynes, Joyce Horton Sanders, Ashley Kehl, Rebecca Kennedy, Denise Kinzie, Debbie Leftwich, Valaska Littlefield, Debbie Leftwich, Carolyn McLarty, Bernice Mitchell, Chriss Morris, Patti Presley, Pam Peterson, Nancy Rothman, Devon Shannon, Holly Shelton, Nancy Smith

Commissioner Members Absent: Valerie Thompson

Advisory Committee Members present: Claudean Reynolds, Heather Simon, Carol Fincher

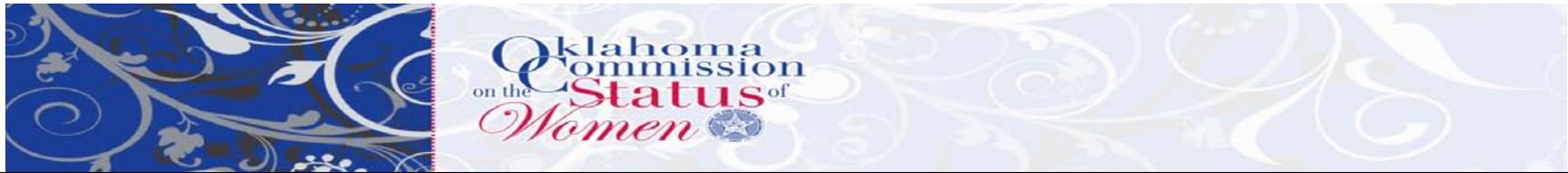
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Roll Call and Minutes of October 28, 2010	Roll call conducted with a quorum present. Call to review and approve the minutes of the October 28, 2010 Commission General Meeting. Changes to the minutes include: under the agenda item, August 26 minutes should be changed to September 23 minutes; under President's report the word differed should be changed to deferred, under the date for December meeting the date of the 8 th should be changed to 9 th , and Malaska has been a 40 year resident not 30 years.	Jennifer Paustenbaugh moved approval of minutes. Motion seconded by Deena Fisher. Motion approved by Commission Members.
History Moment	The History Moment was given by Jennifer Pastenbaugh and Deena Fisher. Angie Debo was born in Kansas and then moved to Oklahoma during the land run of 1898 as a young girl of 9. Her family settled outside of Marshall, Oklahoma. She graduated from the 8 th grade and when to school to become a certified territorial educator. She returned to college at the age of 23 and graduated from University of Oklahoma with a degree in history but was unable to find employment due to her gender. She furthered her education receiving a PhD in international studies from the University Of Chicago and at the same time being employed by the West Texas College. Her only way to be admitted for higher education was to be	Commission members recommended that an Angie Debo lecture be developed in conjunction with the Kate Barnard Award Luncheon.



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	<p>employed or be of male gender. Her history dissertation garnered recognition. She was an Indian rights activist and wrote the works “still the water’s run.” Her last book was Geronimo published in 1976 at the age of 86 years. In 1984 she was inducted into the Oklahoma Commission on Women’s Hall of Fame and 1986 she was honored by the American Historical Society. She was employed by Oklahoma State University from 1947 -1955. OSU is the repository for her papers. As a young girl, her mother took her to her Kate Barnard speak and she remain her hero and inspired her workings and writings.</p> <p>She will be honored today by Stillwater with the dedication of a statute at the Stillwater Library. Bob Darcy, former Commissioner, headed the committee to honor her. To promote the occasion forward, OSU and Stillwater have been sponsoring educational venues. Dr Shelia Johnson, lifelong learning class has held a class on Angie Debo.</p> <p>In 1988 PBS made a documentary of her life, this documentary has been revised and upgrade to a cdrom. OSU has purchased 3,000 copies to be disseminated to every Oklahoma library and school district.</p>	
Financial Report	No financial report available – Mary Walker will be meeting with Marilyn Capps shortly to receive a final budget and current financial status report.	
Reports	<p>Mary Walker, Chair – announced a new commissioner, Risha Grant, she replaces Lyn Hester and was appointed this week by the Governor. She owns a PR and Advertising Firm and is editor of the Xposure Magazine. She will be attending the December meeting.</p> <p>Vice-Chair: Joyce Martin reported that the December 9th <i>Board Retreat</i> will be held in Tulsa at Michael V’s. The restaurant will offer a buffet and assorted dessert menu.</p> <p>The <i>Oklahoma Women’s Hall of Fame</i> committee met this am prior to the Commission meeting. The Hall of Fame will be April 7 at the Oklahoma History Museum. The Program will be from 3-5 with a reception following from 5-6. The press releases have gone out to the major media outlets and Mary Walker was interviewed by Fox News on Friday, November 12th. The</p>	<p>Commission members recommended having a money tree. The monies would go to organization assisting women incarcerated so that the women can purchase a gift for child/children. Jennifer Pastenbaugh will get the information on an organization and email</p> <p>Commission members please RSVP for the Board retreat.</p>



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	<p>website contains the nomination form. Committee members have delegated responsibilities on key elements so there will be no meeting prior to the December Board retreat as all reporting will be done through emails and conference calls.</p> <p>Secretary: Executive Committee requested that Secretary develop a grant application for National Women’s Health which is May. The application extends the work of the health committee and the previous work on bone health. Application is for \$2500. This grant rfa is issued through the US Office on Women’s Health.</p> <p>Advisory Council: Nomination forms were distributed and Fern can also provide by email. She encouraged nominations. Claudean Reynolds, Latasha Wilson, Heather Simon and Carol Fincher were present today as Advisory Council Members.</p> <p>NACW Representative: - no report</p>	<p>We need the availability of the Commission Name tags. The new Commissioner including Peggy Thompson need name tags as well as Joyce Martin and the Advisory council members.</p>
<p>Unfinished/Ongoing Business</p>	<p>Kate Barnard – Jennifer Paustenbaugh reported the date will be February 24, 2011. They are in process of reserving the Blue Room at the Capital for the event with the luncheon to follow. There is a large committee working on the event. The Group recommends partnering with OSU to extend and promote their efforts in interviewing, photographing and developing biographies on the past and present inductees. The committee recommends extending the invitation list to women tribal leaders. The deadline for nominations is January 7. Jennifer distributed the nomination format.</p>	<p>Rita and Joyce \$1200 partner with OSU fro luncheon. Blue Room Capital</p>
<p>Committee Reports</p>	<p>A. Incarceration – Rebecca Kennedy/Adeline Yerkes/Peggy Thompson – The Incarceration Committee is in the process of disseminating the action plan. There is a group involving Rep Chris Steele and members of the “Count the Cost “ Coalition involved in developing legislation to implement parts of the action plan and to be able to garner federal grant dollars.</p> <p>B. Health – no chair to date and no report</p> <p>C. Leadership – Denise Kinzie and Devon Shannon – no report</p> <p>D. Appointments Project – Sheryl Lovelady -Adeline Yerkes - promoted the nomination process, Rita Aragon related that there will be a</p>	



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	<p>press release and possibly a press conference on Monday promoting the event. The deadline is December. Website for nomination process is http://www.ou.edu/carlalbertcenter/leadership/tap.html</p> <p>E. Legislative Committee – Valaska Littlefield – no report</p> <p>F. Communications – Ashley Kehl/Devon Shannon/Nancy Smith – no report</p>	
Other Business	None reported.	
Announcements	None	
Board Retreat Summary		Group recommended tabling due to lack of members present – to be focus of December Board Retreat
Adjournment and Next Meeting	Next meeting is December 9, 2010 and will be the Board Retreat.	Fern Bowling moved to adjourn the meeting. Deena Fisher seconded the motion. Motion approved by Commission members.