



## City of Doral Commission on the Status Women Minutes

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**Thursday, February 26, 2015**

8401 N.W. 53<sup>RD</sup> TERRACE  
DORAL, FL 33166

### 1. Call to Order / Roll Call of Members

Meeting was called to order @ 6:03 p.m. In attendance:

Marisela Boria	Present
Alejandra Moreno	Present
Mary Taboada	Present – via phone
Ana Maria Arizaleta	Present
Tina Floyd Fenandez	Present

Also present were:

Maggie Santos – City Liason  
Bulmara Suarez  
Alvaro Giraldo  
Ruth Giraldo  
Susana Larrea  
Luimar Garza  
Marcela Gallego

### Agenda/Order of Business

#### a. Approval of Minutes

Alejandra made a motion to approve minutes for the November 18<sup>th</sup> regular board meeting, Ana Maria seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Alejandra made a motion to approve minutes for the December 9<sup>th</sup> regular board meeting, Tina seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously

**b. Election of Officers**

The board unanimously voted the following officer appointments:

Chair: Alejandra Moreno  
Vice Chair: Ana Arizaleta  
Secretary: Tina Floyd

**c. Meeting Schedule for 2015**

Alejandra informed the board that Karina requested to change our regularly scheduled meetings to the second Thursday of the month. The new schedule was approved unanimously.

**d. Finalize Coordination for meeting with Women's Organizations**

This item was postponed for next regular meeting.

**e. Review of Upcoming Events**

- At the invitation of the City, the following board members will be attending the Executive Women's Day at the Cadillac PGA Tournament at Trump Doral on 3/12/2015: Alejandra Moreno, Ana Maria Arizaleta, Marisela Boria and Tina Floyd
- The following board members will be attending the MCSQ Breakfast at Miami City Hall on 3/12/15: Ana Maria Arizaleta and Marisela Boria (Alejandra will forward invite to Karina so that it can be distributed to all board members)
- Women's Day at the Capitol in Tallahassee on 3/24/15  
Tina made a motion to request support for the board's attendance to this event in the next City Council meeting (March 18). Ana seconded the motion, and all were in favor (motion passed).  
A budget was discussed and agreed to as follows:  
The following board members will be attending this event: Ana Maria Arizaleta, Mary Taboada and Alejandra Moreno (Tina Floyd and Marisela Boria cannot attend).  
The estimated budget that was suggested was:

○ Transportation (gas or bus)	\$300
○ Meals	\$150
○ Lodge	<u>\$150</u>
○ Total	\$600

It was also agreed to include the minutes from our 12/3/2014 "Conversation with Florida Women and Families" in the agenda package to City Council and to request marketing material (if available) related with the City of Doral for that event.

**f. Women on 20's Campaign**

Alejandra presented the Women on 20's Campaign – initiative to replace Andrew Jackson's face on the 20 dollar bill. She made a motion to promote the initiative on the Women of Doral facebook page, Ana Maria seconded and it was passed unanimously. She also requested confirmation from Maggie if we were allowed to continue posting on the facebook page now that all reference to the Commission and the City of Doral was removed – Maggie confirmed that this was the case.

**g. The Envelope's Please Initiative**

Alejandra presented the documentation that was forwarded from the Miami-Dade Commission on Women regarding this initiative from Greater Miami & The Beaches Hotel Association and their request to support this initiative: request all hotels in the area, in particular the Trump National Doral to encourage hotel guests to tip the housekeepers who clean their rooms by leaving marked envelopes in the hotel rooms as a polite reminder to hotel guests.

Alejandra made a motion to add this request to the City Council report, Tina seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. It was agreed to include the resolution from Miami-Dade County (**Resolution R940-14**) in the package to Council as well as a copy of the email from the Miami-Dade Commission.

**i. Stewards of Children Training**

Tina made a motion to present again (second Time) to City Council in the next meeting the recommendation to engage all Parks & Recreation volunteers (as well as any staff/board members) that have contact with children in the Kristie House training "Stewards of Children". The motion was seconded by Marisela and approved unanimously. It was also agreed to have Maggie confirm the number of books in City Hall that are available for this training (the only additional disbursement would be the \$600 for the trainer).

**j. Review Event Calendar for 2015**

This item was postponed for next regular meeting.

Alejandra recommended to engage Ivonne Perez from the Florida Department of Agriculture as a speaker for any future events – she emailed offering to present information about scams and fraudulent schemes to the community.

**k. Discussion open to the public**

Alvaro Giraldo from "Libres para amar", Christian Ministry located in Doral addressed the board and offered a workshop focusing in family with biblical bases to promote standard family values to the City of Doral. He was directed to speak with the Faith Advisory Board – which would be more appropriate in promoting this organization's services but we also encouraged them to register with our directory – when we have the meeting with Women's organizations. They left their card so that we may contact them with our invitation to this meeting.

Luimar Garza from the "Bookends and Bridges Foundation" located in Doral also addressed the board mentioning her concern with the way that some pastors and council members had expressed themselves during the October Council meeting and the use of degrading wording as it relates to women's roles. We acknowledged her concerns but indicated that this board's objectives do not include within its scope censuring of public comments made at any City Council meeting. She also shared with us her idea of having an all-women's choir sing at this year's 4<sup>th</sup> of July event. We agreed to support this initiative if such a group can be assembled. We also encouraged Miss Garza to register

her foundation with our directory and will also contact her with our invitation to our meeting with Women's organizations.

**I. Future Meeting Date**  
Thursday March 12, 2015

Respectfully Submitted,

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TINA FLOYD FERNANDEZ, Advisory Board Secretary


Motion to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2015 Commission on the Status of Women Meeting made by Alejandro M and seconded by Ana Mena.

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