

Minutes  
MORRIS COUNTY WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD  
May 15, 2014  
Board Room, Morris View Healthcare Center  
540 West Hanover Ave., Morris Township

**Members present:** Pam Bennett-Santoro, Edith Frank, Sibi Saenz-Williams, Michele Roers, Deirdre Wheatley-Liss, Ginny Lyttle, Patricia O'Dowd-Donohue

**Absent:** Carole Harper, Tina Liu Jen, Elaine Muller, Patti Page, Aida Visakay, Connie Ward

**Staff:** Frank Pinto, present

**Guest:** Christine Marion, Morris County Planning Director

**Freeholder Kathy DeFilippo also present for beginning of meeting**

Guest Speaker Christine Marion addressed the committee from 5:30-6:05pm

The meeting was called to order at 6:05pm by Chair, Pam Bennett-Santoro

**Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Law**

Chair Pam Bennett-Santoro advised that in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting had been provided and filed with the public.

Committee welcomed Freeholder Kathy DeFillippo to the meeting. Freeholder DeFillippo noted that it is helpful to have statistics to enable the committee to advocate and provide "white pages" to the Freeholders.

**Approval of Minutes:**

On Motion of Edith Frank, seconded by Sibi Saenz-Williams, the committee approved the minutes of March 20, 2014.

**Chair's report:**

It was noted that Ginny Lyttle recently had open heart surgery 6 weeks ago, but is on the mend. Ginny agreed to do the Joe Garifo show in June.

Annual Report: Michelle Roers has finalized it and will forward to Pam Bennett-Santoro.

Attendance at Freeholder's Meetings: Pam Bennett-Santoro distributed a list of upcoming Freeholder meetings. Public meetings are at 7pm, which Freeholder DeFillippo suggested we attend.

Members signed up to attend the meetings as follows:

June 11 (Morristown)- Edith Frank

June 25: Michelle Roers

July 9

July 23

Aug 13

Aug 27: Ginny Lyttle

Sept 10

Sept 22 (Monday)

Oct 8: Sibi Saenz-Williams

Oct 22

Nov 12: Sibi Saenz-Williams

Nov 24 (Monday)

Dec 10- Ginny Lyttle

Dec 22 (Monday)

### **Old Business**

### **Publicity:**

Frank Pinto will confirm the date for the Joe Garifo program and advise. Aida Visakay has also volunteered to go on the show with Ginny. Pam will contact Aida with all the details.

### **New Business/Announcements:**

Next meetings are Thursdays: June 19, September 18 and November 20, 2014 at 5:30 pm for light dinner and meeting begins at 6pm.

Members are encouraged to attend the Freeholder's Reception on May 20, 2014.

Phenomenal Women's Awards luncheon is on June 11, 2014; \$75 Hyatt Morristown, sponsored by Neighborhood House and Cornerstone. Contact Tina Liu Jen if you would like to attend the Phenomenal Women luncheon on June 11.

Mary Jo Buchanan has accepted a position as CEO for the Ocean Partnership for Children and is leaving the County of Morris effective June 27, 2014. She will be missed.

Motion to adjourn made by Michele Roers; seconded by Ginny Lyttle. Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

**Patricia O'Dowd-Donohue**

Patricia O'Dowd-Donohue, Secretary