

**Board of Commissioners  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, November 15, 2023  
12:00 – 1:30 PM  
Indiana Government Center South  
Conference Room 7  
302. W. Washington St, Indianapolis**

- I. **Call to order** The meeting was called to order by First Vice-Chair Kori Chambers at 12:10 PM EST.
- II. **Establishment of Quorum and Roll call:** Commissioner Christine Altman [**in-person/present**], Commissioner Caryl Auslander [**virtual/present**], Commissioner Sen. Vaneta Becker [**not present**], Commissioner Kori Chambers [**in-person/present**], Commissioner Molly Chavers [**not present**], Commissioner Kayevonne Parham [**in-person/present**], Commissioner Sharon Jackson [**in-person/present**], Commissioner Ambre Marr [**virtual/present**], Commissioner Rep. Peggy Mayfield [**in-person/present**], Commissioner Stephanie Moore [**virtual/present**], Commissioner Rep. Tonya Pfaff [**in-person/present**], Dr. Lindsay Weaver [**in-person/present**], Commissioner Sen. Shelli Yoder [**virtual/present**]. A quorum was established at 12:16 PM EST.

**Staff:** Jordan Teske-Harrison, Director of the Indiana Commission for Women

- III. **Approval of minutes from last meeting:** Commissioner Christine Altman motioned to approve the meeting minutes from July 12, 2023. Motion seconded by Commissioner Rep. Tonya Pfaff. The motion carried unanimously.
  - a) July 12, 2023
- IV. **Review and Approval of Financial Report:** Commissioner Christine Altman motioned to table the review and approval of the financial report for further discussion at the subsequent meeting. As ICW's Treasurer, Commissioner Christine Altman, will submit further financial questions for review to the ICW Director, Jordan, to provide to ICRC's Chief Financial Officer. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sharon Jackson. The motion carried unanimously.
  - a) Preliminary Budget FY 2024
  - b) August FY 2024
  - c) September FY 2024

**ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM AND ROLL CALL:** Commissioner Sen. Shelli Yoder[in-person/present],  
Commissioner Sen. Vaneta Becker [in-person/present].

**V. Director's Report: Commissioner Sharon Jackson motioned to approve ICW's 2022 Annual Report, ICW's 2024 Public Meeting Calendar, and host the International Women's Day Conference for March 8, 2024. Motion seconded by Commissioner Kori Chambers. The motion carried unanimously.**

- a) ICW 2022 Annual Report
- b) ICW Public Meeting Calendar 2024
- c) International Women's Day Conference: March 8, 2024
  - The event will be held at the Indiana Government South Building Auditorium from 8:00-2:00pm centered on the 2024 global theme "Inspire Inclusion."

**VI. Chairman's Report: No Chairman's report.**

**VII. Committee Report: Commissioner Christine Altman motion to approve the committee reports. Motion seconded by Commissioner Kayevonne Parham. The motion carried unanimously.**

- a) Infant and Maternal Mortality:
  - "Your Voice, Your Story," is an all-encompassing panel discussion about breaking down the barriers within maternal healthcare hosted by the Indiana Commission for Women and the Indiana Department of Health's Maternal and Child Division. This on-demand seminar includes Indiana's maternal and child healthcare professionals dedicated to improving the health of women during pregnancy, childbirth, and the postnatal period.
  - The recording date for the seminar will occur on Friday, November 17, 2023, with an estimated release date within the first two weeks of December upon the committee's review. This seminar is a statewide seminar campaign to reach South Bend, New Albany, Evansville, Terra Haute, Fort Wayne, Elkhart, Northwest Indiana, and Indianapolis.
- b) Financial Independence and Literacy:
  - The subcommittee met with Noble Thrive by 5 to discuss solutions for improving affordable and quality childcare in Indiana. Noble Thrive by 5 supports early care and education in LaGrange and Noble Counties with initiatives to increase capacity, quality, and affordability. Recently, they've launched their own Tri-Share Pilot Program, mirrored after the Michigan Women's Commission's Tri-Share Pilot Program, funded by the County Economic Development Income Tax (CEDIT) dollars budgeted by the Noble County Commissioners. <https://noblethriveby5.org/tri-share/>

**VIII. New business: Commissioner Sharon Jackson motion to establish a subcommittee to review the Torchbearer Award process and provide recommendations to the board. Motion seconded by Kori Chambers. The motion carried unanimously.**

a) Torchbearer Debrief

- a. A Subcommittee was established to review the Torchbearer Award processes and provide recommendations to the board. Commissioners are to notify the ICW Director of their participation on the subcommittee.
- b. Culture Punch provided a timeline of events and information for ICW. ICW assigned Commissioner Stephanie Moore to initiate contact with Janet Jackson's team and confirm a date for her appearance.
- c. The Torchbearer Award subcommittee will review the Eminence Award processes.

**IX. New business:** no new business was presented.

**X. Commissioners' Comments:** no comments from the commissioners were shared.

**XI. Public Comment:** no comments from the public were provided.

**XII. Adjournment:** The meeting was called to adjourn by First-Vice Chair Kori Chambers at 1:38 PM EST.

**Planned 2024 Meetings:**

March 6, 2024

May 8, 2024

July 10, 2024

September 18, 2024

November 6, 2024