



## Anchorage Women's Commission



**AWC Meeting 10/06/2022 4:00pm – 5:30 pm Microsoft Teams online meeting**

**Commissioners Present: Jackie Cason (Chair), Sheri Lisenbee (Vice-Chair), Monica Elkinton, Leslie Vines, Andrea Nester, Chelsea Riggs (AHD Host), Callista Troxell (Guest), Stacey Lucason (Guest)**

### **I. Call to Order**

- Quorum established & Call to Order at 4:11pm

### **II. Land Acknowledgement**

### **III. Introductions**

- Callista Troxell will be new support staff from AHD
- Andrea (Andee) Nester is new commissioner

### **IV. Approval of Agenda**

- Motion to approve agenda (Commissioner Nester)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve (Vice-Chair Lisenbee)

### **V. Approval of Minutes**

- Motion to approve March 2022 minutes (Vice-Chair Lisenbee)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve (Commissioner Nester)

### **VI. Old Business**

### **VII. Public Comments**

- No public comments

### **VIII. New Business**

- Stacey Lucason with [Alaska Native Birthworkers Community](#) – discussed the importance of emotional and spiritual support of birthing people. Rural communities in Alaska are isolated from birthing care and must travel long distances to receive medical care in Anchorage. ANBC works to improve access and outcomes for families.
- Commissioner Nester – Sullivan Center is open as of October 1<sup>st</sup>, with a capacity of 150 people. Current population is between 77-106 residents, food quality and general conditions are greatly improved. There is a warming center with unlimited capacity located in the arena. There are additional plans to open the Golden Lion hotel once there is a legal path forward.
- Commission Updates:

- Meetings going forward will be a hybrid format, taking place on Teams and in person in the 4<sup>th</sup> floor conference room of AHD
- Andee Nester is the newest Commissioner
- Callista Troxell will provide staff support going forward, and Chelsea Riggs will remain available for additional support as needed

## **IX. Adjournment, 5:30 pm**

NEXT MEETING Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 4:00pm – 5:30pm  
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