

Hampden County Commission on the Status of Women and Girls



Agenda

September 12, 2019

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

3rd Floor Community Room
1350 Main Street, Springfield, MA 01103

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
- II. Public Speak Out (15 Minutes)
- III. Presentation on the Invest in Girls Alliance
Speaker: Mary McRae
- IV. Review of the process for appointing regional commissioners
Speaker: Sasha Heggie-Jackson, Program Director, MCSW
- V. Approval of minutes from July 11, 2019
- VI. Chair Report
- VII. Vice Chair Report
- VIII. Old Business
 - a. Commission meeting locations and publicity
 - a. Research Report on the Status of Women and Girls in Western MA
- IX. New Business
- X. Any Other Items That May Come Before this Body
- XI. Adjournment

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Dawn Forbes DiStefano
Michelle Goncalves
Patricia Hallberg

Jennifer Metsch
Ellen Moorhouse

Mary Beth Ogulewicz
Shanique Spalding
Shaitia Spruell



September 6, 2019

Dear Sir or Madam:

Let this serve as notice pursuant to Open Meeting Law, M.G.L.c. 30A sections 18-25 of a meeting of the Hampden County Commission on the Status of Women & Girls (HCCSWG).

On April 25, 2017, the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women inaugurated nine commissioners to a newly formed regional commission created to study and report the status of women and girls in Hampden County. The Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women is "a state-established body charged with reviewing the status of women in Massachusetts and offering recommendations regarding policy that would improve access to opportunities and equality." The regional commissions have been created to target specific geographical regions to make sure that the needs of women across the state are met.

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 12, 2019 in the 3rd floor Community Room, 1350 Main Street, Springfield, MA 01103 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

This meeting is open to the public, and we encourage members of the community to attend. The first fifteen minutes of the meeting will be set aside for members of the public to present anything they wish the Commission to consider. Anyone who wishes to speak during this allotted time should email the HCCSWG Chairperson, Dawn DiStefano, at HCCSWG@gmail.com with their intention so the HCCSWG may plan accordingly. Members of the public will only be recognized by the Commission to speak during the opening public presentation segment, and only if prior notice is provided.

Sincerely,

Michelle Goncalves
Secretary, HCCSWG