



Hampden County Commission on the Status of Women and Girls January Public Meeting Meeting Minutes

January 13, 2022 | 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Online via Zoom: [Zoom Meeting Link](#)

<https://zoom.us/j/6895726626?pwd=aDdCTEpPSlkwa2pxd29VZDRqZStkQT09>

Facebook Livestream: [Link](#) Please contact hccswg@gmail.com for the meeting password

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call-6:04 pm. Present: Tara, Gabrielle, Lizzy, Jackie, Dawn. Not present-Shanique. Pattie, Jen, and Michelle are transitioning off of the commission.
- II. Discussion with our featured guest, Jenise Katalina, Co-Executive Director of Women of Color Health Equity Collective
- III. Public Speak Out (15 min.) -no one present
- IV. Approval of minutes from October 2021 as well as November 2021- meeting minutes approved and all in favor.
- V. Vice-Chair Report
- VI. Old Business
 - A. Commission Updates / Role Changes
- VII. New Business
 - A. Hampden County Applicants for 2022- 2023
 1. Dawn voted to approve all 5 applicants, Jackie seconded, all in favor.
 - B. Strategic Planning and Priorities for the year
 - C. Calendar of events
 - D. Next Meeting- Feb. 10, 2022
 - E. Commission Women Send-Off - (Tentative) Feb. 28th
- VII. Mass Commission Updates
 - a. Women in the Workforce Survey report being worked on.

This survey can be completed anonymously in any of the [six](#) languages below and is estimated to take five minutes:

 - i. English: <https://bit.ly/3H1GTzi>
 - ii. Spanish: <https://bit.ly/3BOcKzG>
 - iii. Portuguese: <https://bit.ly/3CUgtgh>
 - iv. Haitian Creole: <https://bit.ly/3H3KL2E>
 - v. Mandarin: <https://bit.ly/308PDD1>
 - vi. Vietnamese: <https://bit.ly/3bO3mBx>

Lizzy made the motion to adjourn at 7:51 PM Dawn seconded all in favor.



Jenise Katalina is the Vice President of the Board of Directors and Co-Executive Director for the Women of Color Health Equity Collect, a movement-building nonprofit organization based out of Western Mass that is focused on supporting women and girls of color achieving their optimal health and well-being.

Jenise Katalina is also the Healthy Families Resource Specialist at the Children's Trust, a statewide agency focused on stopping child abuse in Massachusetts. In this role, she provides training and technical assistance to program management in home visiting programs across the state with a focus on implementing policies and practice with a racial equity lens.

Before joining the Children's Trust, Jenise served as the Vice President of Family Services at Square One, a community-based non-profit in Springfield, Massachusetts. She joined the Square One team in September of 2011 as a Healthy Families Home Visitor and quickly excelled through multiple managerial positions. Jenise's prior experience includes management roles within residential programs for latency-age children and gang aversion programs for teen youth in Springfield.

Jenise received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Westfield State University and her Master of Social Work degree from Springfield College. She is a Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker in Massachusetts and a certified trainer in multiple trauma-focused models, specifically focusing on multi-generational families. She has studied under the founders of the Culturally Humility Framework and has offered technical assistance and training to multiple institutions striving to incorporate a Racial Equity lens into their institution.

Jenise Katalina serves on multiple interdisciplinary workgroups and initiatives focused on Racial Equity at the state and community levels. She also serves as an adjunct faculty for the Springfield College Master Social Work program. In addition, Jenise supports the career growth of women of color through clinical supervision, career mentoring, and coaching.