

Santa Cruz County Commission on Justice and Gender
Meeting Date: Thursday, August 18, 2022
Location: Watsonville Library Meeting Room, 275 Main Street, Watsonville, CA 95076

Meeting Notes

The meeting was started at 12:03 with a welcome from co-chair Theresa Carino. Slides were shown to remind attendees why gender matters, and the purpose of the Commission. A trio of inspirational quotes were displayed. A variety of sandwiches from Watsonville's Craft Bakeshop & Eatery were offered to all attendees.

The meeting was officially called to order at 12:05

1. Roll Call – the roll was not called, in lieu of introductions, which followed.
2. Remembering Laura Segura – Attendees were asked to introduce themselves and share remembrances of Laura Segura, including the one word that best described Laura. A scholarship in memory of Laura has been established at:
<https://www.cfsc.org/fund/laura-segura-scholarship>
3. Agenda Review – there were no changes or additions to the agenda
4. Announcements – announcements of upcoming events were made
5. Public Comment – an invitation was issued for comments from the public
6. Approval of Minutes – Approval of the minutes was moved by Johanna Schonfield, seconded by Julie Macecevic, and the motion passed unanimously.
7. Presentation and Discussion – Chief Dan Freitas, Santa Cruz County Chief Deputy of Corrections was introduced at approximately 12:40 and he presented the topic: Healthcare in Custody. The Chief's PowerPoint slides were followed by testimony from attendees who were in custody. Many of the comments addressed the need to staff and reopen the renovated Blaine Street Women's facility, as the facility currently available to house women in custody are two highly populated pods at the Main Jail.
8. Committee Updates – given the time, it was announced that subcommittee updates will be distributed by email
9. Adjournment – the meeting was adjourned at 1:35 p.m.