MINUTES: Status of Women Committee  
Thursday, June 24, 2010 – 5:30 p.m.  
Room 207, Hamilton Convention Centre

PRESENT: Denise Doyle (in the Chair), Patti McNaney, Pat Saunders, Basharat Tayyab

REGRETS: Jan Lukas, Rose McAleer, Thelma McGillivray, Denise Spoelstra, Bev Neill

1. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
   None declared.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   The approval of the April 22, 2010 minutes was deferred to the September, 2010 meeting.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES
   None.

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.1 Workplan – Gender Budget Analysis
   No discussion.

5.2 Status of Women Committee (SWC) Website – Gender Budget Research
   Discussion about the Equity and Inclusion Lens on the CAWI website and the possibility of including a Hamilton specific version on the SWC website.
   Discussion about strategies to develop a gender lens resource that can be passed on to the next SWC.
   Decision was made to find resources to be uploaded to the SWC website so women can access it.
5.3 Status of Women Committee (SWC) Website  
   - Items to be considered for upload to the website  
Discussion about items that should be considered for upload to the website.  
Suggestion to include human rights resources.

5.4 Elect More Women – May 15, 2010  
Update was given on the success of the Elect More Women event.  
The Elect More Women group will re-convene after the Municipal Election to plan for next year.

5.5 Guidelines – Funding Support from SWC for Events  
Discussion about establishing guidelines for sponsoring events.

(P.McNaney/B.Tayyab)  
That the Status of Women Committee not have a guideline for providing funding sponsorship for events and funding decisions would be made by the Status of Women Committee on a case by case basis.  
CARRIED

5.6 Update – Project “Scratch the Surface”  
There will be a second community meeting on the feasibility study of a woman’s coalition in Hamilton:  
   Wednesday June 30, 2010  
   Time: 9:00-12:00  
   Innovation Park  
   175 Longwood Road South, Meeting Room 2

5.7 Update – Hamilton Elected Women’s History Project  
It is anticipated that a exhibition will be displayed at the History/Herstory before the municipal election.

5.8 Update – Customer Service Research  
The sign at the front door of the new City Hall reads “Citizen Services” but the sign upstairs reads “Customer Service”.  
There are no immediate plans for pursuing the issue further.

5.9 Purchase of a Display Board for Future SWC Events  
Discussion about looking into the cost of a pull-up banner to take to events.

(B.Tayyab/P.McNaney)  
That the Status of Women Committee purchase a banner to take to future events. Total cost for this banner not to exceed $1,000.00.  
CARRIED
Patti McNaney agreed to take the lead on ordering this banner.

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

6.1 **Summer Meetings**
Discussion about whether the committee should meet in July and August.

*(P.McNaney/B.Tayyab)*
That the Status of Women Committee would adjourn until September 2010.

**CARRIED**

7. **ADJOURNMENT**
Meeting was adjourned at 6:25 pm.