**MetroWest Commission on the Status of Women**

**Meeting Agenda**

**February 13, 2023**

**7:00 PM-8:30 PM**

**Zoom**

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/88693316794>

*All Meetings are Open to the Public*

**Opening of the Meeting**

**Approval of Meeting Minutes for January 11, 2023**

**Guest Speaker:** Rebecca Parkhill, MetroWest Women’s Fund

Needs Assessment of Middle School Girls in MetroWest

**Chairs Update**

1. Quick activity
2. Updates from Regional Chairs Meeting
3. Grant submitted (will be notified on March 17)
   1. Fall reimbursements extended to end of March
4. Thursday June 22, 2023: MCSW 25th Anniversary
   1. Lombardo’s at 6pm
   2. Still figuring out speakers
   3. Regional Commissioners: $50 discount (VIP Tickets are $250, General $125)
   4. Athena Council Members: $25
   5. Eventbrite registration:  <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/mcsw-25th-anniversary-gala-tickets-528497007777>
5. Friday, June 23, 2023: Commonwealth Heroine Day
   1. In-person at the State House
   2. For more information, <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/commonwealth-heroines>
   3. Nomination process
6. Advocacy Day: May 31

**Guest Speaker:** Voices Against Violence Staff

Executive Director, Sixmarie Rodriguez

Outreach and Prevention Specialist, Rebecca Spall-Hood

**Communications**

1. Updates from Communications Chair

**Legislative Updates**

1. New legislative term and updates
2. Review of Information from Julie
3. MCSW 2023 Bills to Review

**Athena Council**

1. Meeting on 2/5 Recap
2. Event on February 25: Redefining Feminism

**Old and New Business**

1. Retreat Day: Need to select a date in April/May
2. March 9: Supporting Girls Mental Health event at the Verve Hotel (830am-12pm)
3. Caregiving Event Updates
4. Communiteas update
5. MassBay International Club events: first Friday of every month from 12-1
6. Next Meeting: Legislative Cycle Discussion and identifying 2-3 priorities

**Adjourn**

Commissioners: Lisa MacDonald, Julie Watt Faqir, Heather Panahi, Stephanie Deeley, Nasiba Mannan, Odessa Sanchez, Amie Rotundi, Michele F. Schuckle