



ESSEX COUNTY COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN



NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA 12/12/24

The ECCSW will conduct a public meeting utilizing remote collaboration technology. If there is any technical problem with our remote connection, an alternative conference line will be noticed immediately on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/EssexCountyCommissionOnTheStatusOfWomen>. Pursuant to the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §§ 18-25, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Essex County Commission on the Status of Women. **As the recent amendments to the open meeting law allows, the (board) will continue to hold meetings remotely. Adequate alternative access to the meeting is provided through the zoom link below.** Questions may be directed to ecswomen2@gmail.com. The meeting will take place:

Thursday, December 12, 2024

6:00 PM - VIA ZOOM:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85725485027?pwd=rHA18D5SyYscjIWUg7tZ7hdXLB8ig2.1>

I. Call to order

II. Roll call

III. Approval of outstanding meeting minutes

a) November 14, 2024

IV. Open issues

a) Administrative Updates

i) Committees Updates

(1) Legislative Committee

- Legislative Priorities Status Update

1. The Common Start Bill (H.489/S.301) (universal early childcare) - pieces passed in budget bill

2. Act Requiring One Fair Wage (S.1082/H.1617) - ballot measure on this topic was just decidedly rejected by voters.

3. I AM Bill (An Act to Increase Access to Disposable Menstrual Products in Prisons, Homeless Shelters, and Public Schools (S.1381/H.534) - currently pending in House Ways and Means. This bill already passed the Senate unanimously and just needs to clear a House vote before it goes to the Governor's desk.



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4. An Act Supporting Working Parents Who Choose to Run for Public Office (S.422/H.669) - It passed!

5. Parity on Public Boards (S.2016) - new coalition led by MCSW for re-file next year.

- Update on Legislator Meetings
- Legislative Priorities for 2025-2026 Legislative session due Jan. 3, 2025

(2) Program & Planning Committee

(3) Outreach/Communications Committee:

- (a) Reviewed final Survey, plan for distributing it
- b) Regional Convening
- c) Commissioner Appointments
- d) Update from Ginsburg Initiative
- e) Treasurer's Update

V. New business

- a) Other Business - Reserved for matters the Chair did not reasonably anticipate at the time of the posting

VI. Adjournment