



**Vermont Commission on Women
Health Equity Committee Meeting
Thursday, June 8, 2023
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. via teleconference
MEETING MINUTES**

Commissioners present: Nancy Kaplan, Sarah Mell, Hazel Brewster, Alex Hilliard

Advisors present:

Staff present: Karen Cygnarowicz

Recording: Karen Cygnarowicz

Called to order at 12:08 p.m.

Motion made by Nancy to approve of the agenda. Sarah seconds.

Motion made by Nancy to approve of the minutes from the Health Equity Committee Meeting on May 10, 2023. Hazel seconds.

The group continued the discussion on the Transgender Individuals Policy Draft (re: 2016-17) and prepared a draft in order to present to the full commission.

The following was taken into consideration:

- Separating policies for adults and children, and how we define “children and youth,”
- affirmed supporting those who reside in the state of Vermont, visitors, and those who want to move here, and
- the importance to emphasize transgender joy.

Alex presented data by The Trevor Project: Survey 2022.

The group introduced the topic of Free-Standing Birthing Centers, with plans to invite a guest to discuss the topic at our next meeting.

The group determined the next meeting time.

Actionable items:

- Karen will send an invite to the next meeting time and email all members of the committee all materials to prepare for our next meeting. Karen will invite our guest.

Meeting adjourned at 12:54 p.m. Alex motioned. Hazel seconds.

Upcoming meeting: Thursday, July 20th, 12-1pm.