ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN MEETING SUMMARY

Wednesday, October 26, 2011 Dr. Green Room, Worcester Public Library – 6:00 p.m.

Attendees:

<u>ACSW Members</u>: Chairperson Marianne Sarkis, Sarah Gruhin, Elizabeth Tomaszewski and Chantel Bethea (by phone).

ACSW Members Absent: Kristen Lemire, Jeanine Paul, Daisy Reeves, and Kathleen Linton.

City: Abby McCabe – City Manager's Office

Minutes Prepared by: Abby McCabe

1. Welcome

This meeting will be a work session to discuss the spring event for the Women of Consequence Awards. Abby will distribute the Committee roster to everyone to verify contact information to be sure everyone is receiving the email notifications for the meetings.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Did not approve minutes since there was no quorum.

3. Other Business:

Parking hang tags distributed.

The Committee reviewed the ACSW Brochure and the Resource Guide. Final edits were made. Abby will look into the printing costs to make a couple hundred copies of each brochure.

Women of Consequence and Young Women of Consequence Awards (YWOC):

The Committee reviewed the YWOC nomination application form. Edits were made to update the form from last year. The mailing list and distribution list was discussed. The application should be provided to the schools, Worcester Community Action Council and posted to the website. Elizabeth agreed to follow up with the school principals and guidance counselors. The Committee discussed also contacting the private schools. Chantel will contact Dr. Boone for a list of contact names. It was decided that the event will be held on Wednesday March 28th. Abby will reserve the Levi Lincoln Room at City Hall. Sarah will prepare a cover letter to accompany the nomination form. Sarah also agreed to reach out to the Worcester Business Journal for possible contacts. Ideally, an email announcing the nominations should go out next week. A few names were suggested for the Women of Consequence award. The discussion of the outreach process and logistics for the WOC awards will continue at the next meeting.

- 4. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday November 16th at the Library in the Dr. Green Room on the 4th Floor.
- **5.** The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Abby McCabe