



**Berkshire County Commission on the Status of Women
Meeting Agenda**

03/28/26

12-1pm

Berkshire Athenaeum

1 Wendell Ave, Pittsfield, MA 01201

1. Call to Order (1 minute)
2. Approval of Minutes (1 minute)
 - a. Tuesday, February 17th 2026
3. Old Business (5 minutes)
 - a. Commissioner Vacancy
 - b. Commonwealth Heroines
4. New Business (1 minute)
 - a. Commissioner role fulfillment
5. MCSW Announcements (5 minutes)
 - a. GELI Summit on 4/23/26, 930am, at U-Mass Amherst
 - b. Pushing for Call to Action regarding S. 1119 - An Act relative to fair investment ([S. 1119](#))
6. Committee Updates (30 minutes)
 - a. Planning and Programming
 - i. Self defense class
 - b. Outreach
 - i. Listening Session
 - ii. Electronic Public Hearing
 - iii. Public hearing (June) w/Women's Fund Western Mass, Hampshire-Franklin & Hampden CSW
 - c. Legislative Committee
 - i. An Act Relative to Language Access and Inclusion ([S. 2125/H. 3084](#))
 - ii. An Act providing affordable and accessible high-quality early education and care to promote child development and well-being and the economy in the Commonwealth ([S. 301/H. 489](#))
 - iii. An Act Relative to Healthy Youth ([S. 268/H. 544](#))
 - iv. An Act to increase access to disposable menstrual products in prisons, homeless shelters, and public schools (I Am bill) ([S. 2640/H. 1959](#))
 - v. An Act providing a defense to prosecution for violations of the wiretap law for interceptions made to make a record of threats, harassment or other crimes ([S. 1215](#))

- (Intermission) (60 minutes)
7. Public Comment (120 minutes)
- a. Welcome to those in attendance
 - b. Notification regarding sensitive topics
 - c. Introductions of each Commissioner
 - i. What brings us to this work
8. Next Meeting Date - 04/21/26 @ 6pm, location on Zoom (1 minute)
9. Roll Call to Adjourn (2 minutes)