

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
RUSSIAN ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES FOR Tuesday, April 17, 2012**

**Community Conference Room, City Hall
8300 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood**

1. CALL TO ORDER – Vice-Chair Larisa Danilova called the meeting to order at 7:10 P.M.

2. Larisa Danilova led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call – Board Members present: Diana Volman, Valentina Matiji, Larisa Danilova, Yefim Stolyarsky, Efim Kutz, Luybov Levitan. Staff Liaison Tatiana Rodzinek.
Vika Safrigina, Raisa Aguf, Andrey Pronin, were absent.

4. Approval of Agenda: Valentina Matiji made a motion to approve agenda, seconded by Lyubov Levitan.

5. Approval of Minutes of the meeting of April 17, 2012. Diana Volman made a motion to approve, seconded by Valentina Matiji.

6. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

Angelina Izrailova, Los Angeles resident spoke in support of the Awards nominee:
Business Partnership: Lika Osipova & Sasha Rider.

Roman Katsnelson Los Angeles resident spoke in support of the Awards
nominee: Business Partnership: Lika Osipova and Sasha Rider.

Olga Petrov, Los Angeles resident spoke in support of the Awards nominee:
Webportal: RusAngeles.com.

Aleksandr Pikelnny spoke in support of Airplane Model Building class

Cathy Blaivas spoke in support of the changes being made to the Plummer Park
Reconstruction project.

Stephanie Harker spoke in support of the changes being made to the Plummer Park
Reconstruction project.

Tatyana Sarycheva and Lucy Alex, represent a TV show about people in Hollywood,
spoke about the talk show featuring Russian speaking celebrities, scholars and other
outstanding members of the community.

7. RUSSIAN ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Diana Volman asked questions about the talk show.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**8.A. RUSSIAN STYLE FESTIVAL 2012 AND RUSSIAN COMMUNITY AWARDS
RECEPTION**

Agassi Topchian spoke about the Festival and the Russian Community Awards
reception. Russian Advisory Board members discussed the Festival of 2012. Agassi
Topchian also announced the events that will take place prior to the Festival.

Board members Voted to give awards to the following nominees:

Role model of the year award: Business Partnership: Lika Osipova and Sasha Rider.

Outstanding Community Service Award: Los Angeles Association of WWII Veterans

Outstanding Achievement: Lev Volovik

8.B. VICTORY IN EUROPE DAY CELEBRATION

Russian Advisory Board discussed celebration of the VE Day.

8.C. DISCUSS A LETTER OF SUPPORT OF A COMMUNITY BASED AIRPLANE MODEL BUILDING CLASS

Tatiana Rodzinek explained to the board members the reason for not submitting the letter that had been approved at the previous meeting to the City Council. Tatyana informed the board that the information that had been provided by the instructor of the class was not accurate. The instructor was paid by the city for his services and as the Recreation Department manager made a decision not to continue the class, but explore other opportunities for the community.

Diana Volman suggested that Aleksandr Pikelný should talk to the parents and develop a proposal with terms and conditions where the parents should contribute into the compensation for the class.

Valentina Matiji suggested that the letter should be submitted only with corrections to the information provided.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9. A. CHANGE MEETING TIMES

Efim Kutz made a motion to vote for changing the time for the RAB meetings to Saturday or Sunday at 12 p.m. (noon). Diana Volman made a motion not to change the time of the meeting, seconded by Valentina Matiji. Larisa Danilova made a motion to change the time to 6 p.m. Board members voted to keep the time of the meetings at 7 p.m.

9. B. DISCUSS WORK PLAN FOR THE YEAR 2012- 2013

Board members approved the plan.

10. ITEMS FROM STAFF

There were no items from staff

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments

12. RUSSIAN ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Yefim Stolyarskiy invited everybody to the VE Day Celebration on May 12.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The Advisory Board adjourned at 9:45 PM to their next regularly scheduled meeting, which will be on Tuesday, May 15, 2012.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE RUSSIAN ADVISORY BOARD ON THIS 15th DAY OF May, 2012.



CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

STAFF LIAISON