

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

THURSDAY, August 27, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.
Community Meeting Room, West Hollywood Library
625 N. San Vicente Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA 90069

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Vice Chair Salguero called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

A. Roll Call

Present: Kelly Alexander, Debra D'Amico, Tina Moore, Silvia Salguero, Nadia Sutton, and Anne Toole.

Absent: Molly Casey, Noemi Torres and Stephanie Cubba (Resigned)

Staff: Larissa Fooks, Staff Liaison and John Erickson, Recording Secretary

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Board member Moore made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting of July 23, 2015 and Board member Toole seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

III. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

None.

IV. WEST HOLLYWOOD REPORT ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

Laura Manukian, Neighborhood Services Coordinator, Public Safety Department, gave a presentation to the Board about the City's neighborhood watch program. After reviewing reports from other cities the Board discussed a number of items that they would like to see included in a future status of women report.

V. LEGISLATION & ADVOCACY DISCUSSION:

A. LEGISLATIVE UPDATES:

Staff gave a brief report and updates regarding pending state and federal bills for the Board to review and discuss. Staff provided the Board with a sample support letter that they can fill out and send in in support on AB 775 (Chiu & Burke) which was previously .

1.) The Equal Access to Abortion Coverage in Health Insurance Act (EACH Woman) Act:

Staff gave an update about the current status of the EACH Woman Act and ways to support it.

2.) Pending Anti Choice Legislation and Attacks against Planned Parenthood:

Staff gave an update regarding pending anti-choice legislation and the resolution recently passed by the City Council supporting Planned

Parenthood and denouncing the recent anti-choice legislation and attacks against them.

Women's Safety

- 1.) **Local Efforts to Eliminate the Statute of Limitations Regarding Rape Cases:**
Boardmember Moore reported about the first meeting of a new local coalition that wants to work to eliminate the statute of limitation regarding rape cases in California. She volunteered to be the Board's liaison and attend upcoming meetings, the next of which will be on Tuesday, September 1, 2015 at the National Council of Jewish Women of Los Angeles at 6:30 pm.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY, AUGUST 26, 2015

The Board briefly discussed the recent Women's Equality Day event celebration and thanked both the staff and the subcommittee that worked on making the event successful.

B. BOARD WORKPLAN DISCUSSION

Staff discussed the online survey for the Board members to complete. An updated link will be provided. Further discussion tabled.

C. WOMEN IN FILM SPEAKER SERIES

Anne Toole and Nadia Sutton volunteered to be Board liaisons to the Women in Film Speaker Series monthly events.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Upcoming Meeting Schedule

The Board decided by consensus on their upcoming fall meeting schedule including their televised Board meeting. The Board's upcoming schedule will be:

- Wednesday, October 21, 2015 (televised)
- Thursday, November 19, 2015
- Thursday, December 10, 2015
- Thursday, January 28, 2015 (WAB Retreat will be part of the regular meeting).

VIII. BOARD AND COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS:

None.

IX. MONTHLY REPORTS TO CITY COUNCIL:

Board member Moore volunteered to report for the month of August.

X. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. **Young Women Subcommittee**

Board member D'Amico updated the Board that she was going to be reaching out to the West Hollywood Teen Center. She suggested that the successful Rosie's Girl Santa Monica Camp might be a good program for West Hollywood teens.

2. Advocacy Training Project Workshops

Board member Alexander reported about attending the last session of the series that was about serving on boards and commissions. Staff reported that they will be attending an upcoming debriefing meeting about the workshop series and will report back.

3. 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF CONVERSATIONS 'BOUT THE GIRLS'

Staff distributed event flyers to the Board.

XI. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Michele Fogel, resident of Los Angeles, spoke to the Board about her registered trademarks and upcoming launch of her brand "The One L Michele"

XII. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD:

None.

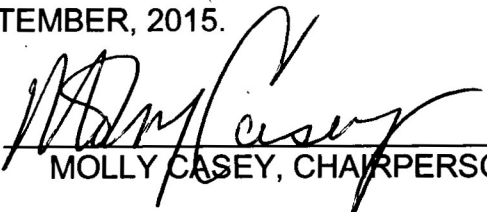
XIII. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

None.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT:

The Women's Advisory Board adjourned at 9:01 pm until their next regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, September 24, 2015 at the Community Meeting Room, West Hollywood Park Library, all located at 625 N. Vicente Blvd, West Hollywood, CA 90069.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ON THIS 24th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2015.


MOLLY CASEY, CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:


JOHN M. ERICKSON, RECORDING SECRETARY