

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD**

**WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD**

**MINUTES**

THURSDAY, February 22, 2001 at 7:00p.m.

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Chair Wendy Krueger.

**A. Roll Call:**

Roberta Sue Buckner	excused absence
Gretchen Fine	excused absence
Julia Gandelsman	
Barbara Hamaker	excused absence
Jerrie Heslov	
Mina Kedar	
Wendy Krueger, Chair	
Nadine Le Gouguec	
Judy Lubin	
Claire Magha	
Judith Mayo, Vice Chair	
Rae Mitchell	
Marcy Norton	excused absence
Deann Zampelli	

STAFF: Larissa Fooks, Roz Helfand

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*Tabled*

**III. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Melva Y. Mitchell, Sergeant from the Sheriff's Department spoke on behalf of West Hollywood Sheriff's Captain Lynda Castro's.

#### IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

##### A. **Women's History Month**

The Board will discuss plans for upcoming annual activities for Women's History Month and who would be attending the various events.

##### International Women's Day on March 8

The Feminist Majority agreed to participate in a press conference with WAB. Mavis Leno will speak about the Campaign to Stop Gender Apartheid in Afghanistan and the Back to School Campaign to help Afghan women and children go to school. Jerrie Heslov made a motion for the Board to support the Back to School Campaign by providing donation opportunities at the Women's History Month Events, seconded by Claire Magaha, the motion passed unanimously.

##### B. **Legislative Update**

Rae Mitchell reported on the newly proposed Unborn Victims of Violence Act, which aims to give unborn fetuses the same rights as individuals. Claire Magaha made a motion that the WAB recommend that the City Council oppose the Unborn Victims of Violence Act. Seconded by Deann Zampelli, the motion passed unanimously.

##### C. **Retreat Follow-up**

Facilitator Pamela Molton lead a discussion with the Board about the goals formulated at last year's retreat. New members introduced themselves.  
(See attached notes)

#### V. NEW BUSINESS

##### A. **City of West Hollywood Annual Kids Fair**

The Board discussed participating in the City's Annual Kids Fair. The idea of doing project involving language skills such as foreign language games was discussed. A subcommittee of Claire Magaha, Mina Kedar, Julia Gandlesman, and Jerrie Heslov was formed. The sub-committee will report back at next month's meeting.

##### B. **Earth Day** *Tabled.*

##### C. **Election of Recording Secretary** *Tabled.*

**VI. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD**

The Judy Chicago Exhibit at the Skirball Museum was announced.

**VII. ITEMS FROM THE STAFF**

There were no items from staff.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 p.m. by Chair Wendy Krueger, to their next regular meeting at 7 p.m. on March 22, 2001 in the Community Conference Room at City Hall, 8300 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90069.

# Notes from post Retreat check in with WAB

Facilitated by Pamela Molton

2/22/2001

## 1) What brought our new members to the Board?

Claire: Feels that women's issues are too nebulous. She wants to find ways to create a better awareness. She is glad that the WAB exists as a structure for people taking action and that she is now a part of it.

Jerrie: Is attracted to women's issues...especially as a woman who has worked in a business where she was surrounded by men.

Deann: Has a need to be involved in causes. When an opportunity arose to get involved with the WAB, she decided to take it on.

## 2) General post-retreat comments:

- Everyone feels attendance has been pretty good.
- The Board feels that many of the goals/action items from last year's retreat are being fulfilled.
- Concern was expressed about a problem with talking out of turn during meetings. It lengthens the meeting unnecessarily.
- It was suggested a "good and welfare" section at the end or beginning of each meeting where Board members check in with each other about how they're doing.