

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD**

**WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD**

**MINUTES**

THURSDAY, September 28, 2000 at 7:00p.m.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by Vice Chair Judith Mayo.

**A. Roll Call:**

Roberta Sue Buckner  
Gretchen Fine  
Julia Gandelsman  
Barbara Hamaker  
Mina Kedar  
Wendy Krueger, Chair                      excused  
Nadine Le Gouguec  
Judy Lubin  
Carolyn Martin, Recording Secretary              unexcused  
Judith Mayo, Vice Chair  
Rae Mitchell  
Marcy Norton

STAFF:              Fran Solomon; Larissa Fooks, Roz Helfand

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion to approve the Minutes was made by Barbara Hamaker and seconded by Rae Mitchell. The motion passed by consensus.

**III. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Shamey Cramer, Founder and Executive Director of Los Angeles 2006, Inc presented information about the Gay Games VII. He is asking for the City of West Hollywood to host the games and is asking for the support of the Board. The games are held every 4 years around the world. The money raised during this event will go to support HIV/AIDS and Breast Cancer prevention. The proposal will go before the City Council on October 16th, 2000.

#### IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

##### **A. Educational Town Hall Forum**

This event is being organized as an informational gathering on Election 2000 issues of particular interest to women. The sub-committee reported on the progress of the program and asked the board to vote on the number of speakers to be invited. Barbara Hamaker made a motion to go ahead with the event, Rae Mitchell seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The date of this event is still to be determined due to a number of events for the coming elections already programmed in West Hollywood.

##### **B. World March of Women 2000**

On October 15th there will be a march in Washington DC to demand equal equality between women and men and an end to poverty and violence against women. The Board is currently forming a City of West Hollywood delegation to attend this event. Larissa Fooks reported on the delegation. Barbara Hamaker is working on a program by two high school students to visit the White House while in D.C and meet the women of the Senate.

##### **C. The California Governor's Conference for Women**

The Board is sending several delegates to this event in Long Beach on October 12. Rae Mitchell, Judy Lubin, Mina Kedar and various city staff members will attend the conference.

##### **D. Breast Cancer Awareness Month**

On October 24 at 7:00pm an event titled "It takes Love to Heal Breast Cancer" will have an evening program with Dr. Susan Love as a guest speaker.

##### **E. Reception for Captain Lynda Castro**

The Board is holding a special networking reception for the West Hollywood women's leadership community and Sheriff's Captain Lynda Castro on October 10. More than 400 people are invited. A sign-in sheet to cover the welcome table is passed to board members. The sub-committee will invite Captain Lynda Castro to dinner before the event, in order to introduce the board before the event. It was suggested to invite high schools to the event in order to develop a positive relationship between law enforcement and the community.

#### V. NEW BUSINESS

##### **A. Gay Games VII**

Barbara Hamaker made a motion to add this item to the agenda. The motion was seconded by Gretchen Fine and approved by all. The Board asked questions about the event. A motion to write a letter of support for the 2006 Gay Games from the WAB to was made by Barbara Hamaker, seconded by Marcy Norton the motion passed unanimously.

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

Rae Mitchell reported on the update and urged the board to support vote registration throughout the community. Rae also reported on the Violence Against Women Act

(VAWA) which is due for renewal on the floor in the Senate. She recommended to call the Senate in order to support VAWA.

**C. Commendation to the Sydney Olympic Organizing Committee**

A motion was made by Marcy Norton and seconded by Julia Gandelsman to add this item to the agenda. The motion passed unanimously. Marcy Norton made a motion that the Board to make a recommendation to the City Council to commend the Sydney Organizing Committee. Motion seconded by Barbara Hamaker and passed unanimously.

**VI. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD**

Marcy Norton suggested that the Board commend the Sydney Olympic Organizing Committee for the Olympic Games for honoring 100 years of women participating to the women Olympic Games. VII. This was added to the agenda under New Business.

**VII. ITEMS FROM THE STAFF**

Staff will update the Women's Advisory Board on issues within the Board's purview

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The Women's Advisory Board will adjourn to their next regular meeting at 7pm on October 26, 2000 in the Community Conference Room at City Hall, 8300 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90069.