

MINUTES
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
TRANSGENDER ADVISORY BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY MARCH 6, 2019
6:00 P.M.

COMMUNITY MEETING ROOM
8300 SANTA MONICA BOULAVARD, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA

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1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Sanchez called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Member De La Cruz led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **ROLL CALL**
PRESENT: Chair Sanchez, Members Samala, Monroy, Deaton, Wen, Juarez, Johnson, De La Cruz and Fairchild.
ABSENT: None
ALSO PRESENT: Tatiana Rodzinek, Public Safety Russian Community Outreach Coordinator
4. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**
SUBJECT: The Transgender Advisory Board is requested to approve the Agenda of February 6, 2019.
ACTION: Motion by member Sanchez to move the new business item 9A to the top of the agenda, seconded by member Juarez, unanimously carried. Motion by Member Samala to approve the March 6, 2019 agenda with changes, seconded by Member De La Cruz. Motion passes with Members De La Cruz, Samala, Monroy, Wen, Deaton, Fairchild, Juarez, Johnson and Sanchez voting yes.
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
SUBJECT: The Transgender Advisory Board is requested to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2019 meeting.
ACTION: Motion by Member De La Cruz to approve the February 6, 2019 minutes, seconded by Member Juarez. Motion passes with Members Monroy, Wen, De La Cruz, Samala, Sanchez, Juarez, Johnson, Fairchild and Deaton voting yes.
6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**
Kathryn Dainty Davis, Director of Trans Chorus of Los Angeles, spoke

regarding the chorus performance at the event.

Edwin Millan, spoke regarding her participation in the Trans events. Edwin indicated that she would like to see more acknowledgements of Native Americans participating in the events.

7. MEMBER COMMENTS

Member Wen spoke about the "I am Jazz" event and congratulated the Council members on winning the election.

Member Samala spoke regarding the Transgender job fair that will take place on March 13, 2019, the Los Angeles County Youth Bridges Program, the anti-bullying hotline and the LGBTQ Youth Council.

Member Monroy spoke regarding the Long Beach Conference for Trans Women "Dress For Success" that will take place on April 6, 2019.

Member Deaton spoke regarding Trans Visibility Month.

Chair Sanchez spoke regarding the WeHo Reads series that includes a gender nonconforming writer and other upcoming events.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8A. DESIGNATION OF A DELEGATE TO PROVIDE INPUT ON SOCIAL SERVICES PRIORITIES

Subject: The Board will designate a delegate and provide input

Action: The board designated member Wen to be a delegate and provided input

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9A. TRANSGENDER AWARENESS MONTH EVENTS 2019

Subject: The Board will discuss the activities and logistics for the month of November.

Action: Members spoke regarding the budget and discussed logistics and items that they would like to add to the events during the month.

9B. TRANSGENDER DAY OF VISIBILITY 2019

The Board discussed TDOV on March 31, 2019 and the format of the event. Chair Sanchez asked the board members to volunteer their efforts in recruiting vendors or resources to get the community engaged in TAB activities. All board members agreed that they will try to attract various resources.

Staff provided information on the items and vendors that had been secured for the event.

Chair Sanchez and Members Juarez and Wen will constitute a Transgender Day of Visibility sub-committee.

Public speaker Kathryn Dainty Davis, Director of Trans Chorus of Los Angeles, informed the Board that the chorus is willing to perform for free.

Member Johnson said that the programming for the event has been finalized. Member Juarez said that the format of the event is an open mic, so if the chorus would like to participate they would have to sing a capella.

10. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Staff reminded the Board about WeHo Reads: An Evening with Jacob Tobia and Jesse Tyler Ferguson. Jacob Tobia is a gender nonconforming writer, producer and performer who wrote "Sissy: A Coming-of-Gender Story."

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

Edwin Millan, West Hollywood resident, spoke regarding his groups' affiliation with AIDS foundation and the services they provide for the Trans community. Edwin also spoke about an event that focuses on Trans leaders.

12. ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Member Juarez asked the board to adjourn in the memory of Camila Díaz Córdova.

Member Samala spoke regarding City of Los Angeles' Day of Visibility. Karina also spoke about the LGBTQ event in San Fernando Valley.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The Transgender Advisory Board adjourned at 8:56 PM. The next **special meeting** is scheduled for April 3, 2019 in the Community Conference Room 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard.



Transgender Advisory Board Chair



Staff Liaison

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