

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

MINUTES

THURSDAY, March 27, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

*Location: Community Meeting Room, West Hollywood Library
625 N. San Vicente Blvd
West Hollywood, CA 90069*

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Carla Browning called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

A. Roll Call

Present: Carla Browning, Molly Casey, Stephanie Cubba, Tina Moore, Anne Toole, Silvia Salguero, Nadia Sutton, Noemi Torres

Absent: Emma Rose Mackenzie

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

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Tabled

III. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

There were no items from the public

IV. LEGISLATION & ADVOCACY DISCUSSION

A. Updates

- **Equal Pay Day**
Staff updated the board that their Equal Pay Day Event will take place at the April 7, 2014 West Hollywood City Council meeting. Boardmember Stephanie Cubba will make a short presentation regarding Equal Pay Day and then people will move into the lobby for a reception.
- **Local Implementation of Senate Bill 1193**
Staff informed the Board that there will be a training sessions about the local implementation of Senate Bill 1193 by the National Council of Jewish Women – Los Angeles at the 8th Annual Women's Leadership Conference and encouraged them to attend if they were interested in learning more.

B. General discussion of legislative policy process and issues

Staff updated the Board about the general process about bringing advocacy issues to the Board's attention and stated that they need to be listed on the Board's meeting agendas for official consideration.

C. Scheduling of Board Advocacy Training Session

D. Boardmember Stephanie Cubba motioned that the Board have official advocacy training at one of the upcoming regularly scheduled Board meetings. Boardmember Noemi Torres seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

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The Board directed staff to come back at their next meeting on March 24, 2014 with potential dates for a future Board Advocacy Training session.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. National Women's History Month

Banner Unveiling –

Boardmembers discussed the banner unveiling of Jane Fonda and Mary Pickford. The Board commented on how much they enjoyed networking with the International Delegation on Women's Health and inquired about how to stay in touch with the people they met.

Mary Pickford Film Screening –

Boardmembers commented on how much they enjoyed the film screening of Mary Pickford's film *Tess of the Storm Country* and speaking with the representative from the Mary Pickford Foundation.

Women in Leadership Awards –

Boardmembers discussed the recent Women in Leadership Awards ceremony at Phyllis Morris. Boardmembers commented on how much they enjoyed the event and how it was well-received through all the attendees they spoke with. Boardmembers commented on how inspiring it was to hear from all of the women who were being honored.

International Women's Day -

Boardmember Salguero commented that she attended the event and that it was a great celebration of different cultures. Boardmember Salguero commented that people left early on because the event didn't have any food and only water.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. West Hollywood Report on the Status of Women

Corri Planck, Social Services Program Administrator gave a presentation to the Board regarding the release of the City's *Status of Women in West Hollywood Report* and discussed the directive to the Board from the City Council to generate a report on the status of women in West Hollywood based on the Community Study that was recently completed in April, 2013.

Boardmembers asked questions relating to the data presented in the report and requested additional statistical information from Staff.

Staff informed the Board that the City's Social Services agencies are available to come and brief the board about the services they provide to help them understand the scope of what the City provides for residents.

Staff recommended that the Board further examine and assess the report and come back to it at their future meetings and utilize it as it relates to the Board's main priorities such as pay equality and public safety.

VII. BOARD AND COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS

Boardmember Noemi Torres commented that she had met with Ashley Millhouse from the American Cancer Society – Relay for Life and how they were working together in planning a future event to raise awareness for Relay for Life. Some possible ideas were “Make WeHo Purple,” and potential locations include the Andaz Hotel and Pink Taco.

VIII. MONTHLY REPORTS TO CITY COUNCIL

Boardmember Nadia Sutton volunteered to report for the month of March.

IX. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Feedback and updates regarding the following co-sponsored activities:

- Hollywood NOW Girl Power Party – March 29, 2014
 - Boardmember Tina Moore reported that she had spoken with Hollywood NOW President Reina Martinez.
- West Hollywood Women's Leadership Conference – April 4-5
 - Boardmembers discussed formally signing up for times to staff the Board's table at the Women's Leadership Conference. Boardmembers Anne Toole, Noemi Torres, Tina Moore, Nadia Sutton, Molly Casey, and Carla Browning stated they would be in attendance at the conference and worked out times to both staff the Board's table and attend sessions.
- Pay Equity Day – April 8, 2014
 - Staff informed the Board about the upcoming presentation process for their April 7, 2014 West Hollywood City Council meeting Equal Pay Day commemoration. Boardmember Stephanie Cubba agreed to give a general overview of Equal Pay Day at the meeting. Boardmembers discussed the cake that was being donated for the reception. The cake will have a “bite” taken out of it to represent the issue of equal pay for women.
- Joint Women's Safety Committee
 - Staff informed the Board that Bonnie Smith, Community Relations Programs Coordinator, will follow up with the Board to discuss the Joint Women's Safety Committee.
- NCJW/LA Advocacy Training Project
 - Staff informed the Board that there is an upcoming NCJW/LA Advocacy Training Project titled “How to Write an OpEd” on Sunday, March 30, 2014 from 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm in the Community Meeting Room at the West Hollywood Library. Boardmember Silvia Salguero stated that she will be attending and report back.

X. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD:

Boardmember Anne Toole announced that she was recently elected to the Board of the Game Board Association.

Boardmember Stephanie Cubba announced that Mount St. Mary's College released their annual 2014 Report on the California Commission on the Status of Women and Girls that morning to much success and she'll bring copies for all boardmembers at the next meeting.

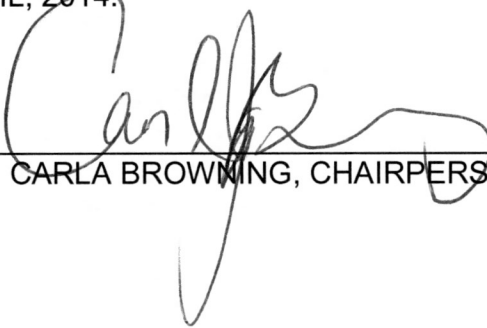
XI. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

Staff Liaison Larissa Fooks recapped that the 8th Annual Women's Leadership Conference would be on Friday and Saturday, April 4-5, 2014 at the Pacific Design Center and West Hollywood Park.

XII. ADJOURNMENT:

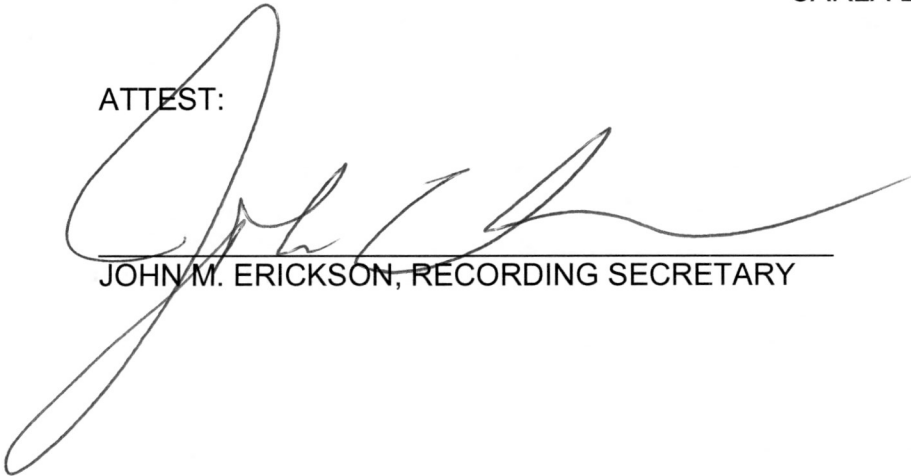
The Women's Advisory Board adjourned at 9:23 p.m. until their next regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, April 24, 2014 at the Community Meeting Room, West Hollywood Park Library, West Hollywood City Hall located at 625 N. Vicente Blvd, West Hollywood, CA 90069.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ON THIS 24th DAY OF APRIL, 2014.



CARLA BROWNING, CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:



JOHN M. ERICKSON, RECORDING SECRETARY