

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
TRANSGENDER ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES FOR AUGUST 6, 2014**

**7:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 6, 2014
Plummer Park
7377 Santa Monica Blvd.
West Hollywood, CA 90069**

CALL TO ORDER – Vice Chair Lachine called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - led by Member Weiss.

ROLL CALL – Board Members present: Carolyn Weiss, Karina Samala, Coco Lachine, Maria Carmen Hinayon, Maria Roman, and Erika De La Cruz. Also present: Bonnie Smith, Public Safety Supervisor and Tatiana Rodzinek, Russian Community Outreach Coordinator, Public Safety Department. Absent Drian Juarez, Mariana Marroquin, Jaye Johnson

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – Motion to approve by Member Karina Samala. Seconded by Member Maria Roman. Motion approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Approval of minutes was tabled till the next meeting as the board members didn't receive the minutes from the previous meeting for their review and approval.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Peter Lancellotti, Owner/CEO Seniors Helping Seniors, introduced his company an in-home services for seniors. Mr. Lancellotti spoke regarding the importance of establishing services for the aging population, asked the board to agenize the item for one of the future meetings.

Miranda Ramirez, Peer Health Navigator, introduced the Alexis Project, which combines Peer Health Navigation, which provides information and emotional support for HIV + trans women of color, and Contingency Management interventions into one program.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Vice Chair Lachine said that at their last meeting the board discussed the urgency and importance of having programs for senior transgender people in place

Member Samala spoke concerning the fundraising event that the does every year.

Member Hinayon spoke concerning the elderly transgender population and about Judge Phyllis Frye who is an Associate Judge for the City of Houston Municipal Courts. Frye is the first transgender judge appointed in Texas and is very supportive of the programs for aging Transgender population. Member Hinayon will return with the information on the program proposed by Judge Phyllis Frye.

Member De La Cruz spoke concerning the Baltimore event.

Vice Chair Lachine said that the staff place the topic of elderly transgender population on the agenda.

ITEMS FROM STAFF

Bonnie Smith informed the board that a Transgender Flag will now be flown year round at Crescent Heights Blvd. and Santa Monica Blvd.

NEW BUSINESS

9A. Trans Day of Action: Kean O'Brien
Michelle Rex, Deputy to Mayor D'Amico spoke regarding the project proposed by Kean O'Brien who will be working together with Transgender artists and community.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10A. Trans Awareness Month/DOR: Member LaChine spoke concerning her outreach for DOR. Member Samala spoke concerning her outreach for DOR.

10B. Awards: Member Roman made the motion to extend the award decision to next month. Motion failed. Vote was taken to award Williams Institute and Sandra Ramirez from San Diego

10C. Business Outreach: Tabled

10D. Transgender/Drag Community Joint Event: Tabled to December

10E. Trans Experience LA: Michelle Dennis spoke concerning the video library for the Transgender community.

10F. Calendar of Transgender Special Events: TLGB volleyball event. Sunday, August 10, 2014 held at Santa Monica Beach.

10G. Transgender News: Member Hinayon spoke concerning a court case in Arizona concerning a prostitution case. Member Weiss spoke concerning Baltimore, Maryland and Washington D.C. and attacks on the Transgender Community.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

ITEMS FROM THE BOARD MEMBERS/MEMBER COMMENTS

Member Roman thanked the board for being open to the march for Day of Remembrance.

Member Lachine thanked the members from the public for attending the meeting.

Member Hinayon thanked the members from the public for attending the meeting.

REVIEW AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

Member Hinayon stated that they usually have on-going items and she would like staff to make sure that those items stay on the agenda

Vice Chair Lachine said they will put on the next meeting's agenda the item on aging specifically related to transgender community.

ADJOURNMENT – the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

The Transgender Advisory Board will adjourn to their next meeting on September 3, 2014, at the West

Hollywood Plummer Park, 7377 Santa Monica Blvd, in Rooms 5 and 6 at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE TRANSGENDER ADVISORY BOARD ON THIS 3d DAY OF
SEPTEMBER.


CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

STAFF LIAISON