

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
TRANSGENDER ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 1, 2014**

**7:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 1, 2014
Community Conference Room
8300 Santa Monica Blvd
West Hollywood, CA 90069**

CALL TO ORDER – Member Samala called the meeting to order at 7:11p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - led by Drian Juarez

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

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – Motion to approve by Member Weiss. Seconded by Member De La Cruz. Motion approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion to approve by Member De La Cruz. Seconded by Member Weiss. Motion approved.

Member De La Cruz arrived at 7:10p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Reina G. Martinez, West Hollywood resident, spoke about Facebook events: Hobby Lobby Protest in Burbank and AIDS walk – Team Hollywood now. Thanked everyone for support of the events.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Member Hinayon spoke regarding the fact that California will become the first state to have a bill that would prohibit the use of the defense — the argument that a violent act was triggered by the revelation of a victim's actual or perceived gender, gender identity, gender expression, or sexual orientation — in an attempt to downgrade a murder charge to manslaughter. Governor Brown will be signing the bill

ITEMS FROM STAFF

Bonnie Smith talked about AIDS Walk and Halloween celebration in the City and Annual Congress. Bonnie also spoke about Trans awareness month and informed the board that she and David have been working on the check list for the events.

NEW BUSINESS

NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10A. Trans Awareness Month/DOR: Member Samala asked to get information via e-mail. Member Hinayon said that the board needs to set a committee to search for speakers. Member Juarez suggested that the board makes a list of what needs to be done before the next meeting. Bonnie presented Information presented by member Marroquin.

The board discussed the nomination. Member Juarez opened the discussion. The board members agreed that the service organization deserves the award. Member

10C. Business Outreach: Member Juarez spoke the outreach to businesses

10D. Transgender/Drag Community Joint Event: tabled till December

10E. Trans Experience LA: There was no discussion

10F. Calendar of Transgender Special Events: Discussed the events

10G. Transgender News: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Rick Watts, member of the Disability Advisory Board, introduce himself and invited everybody to the community Health screening that will take place on October 21 in Plummer Park. Rick also spoke regarding the Disability Service Award that will take place on the following day.

ITEMS FROM THE BOARD MEMBERS/MEMBER COMMENTS

Member Hinayon stated that it was Karina Samala's birthday and wished Karina all the best.

REVIEW AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

ADJOURNMENT – the meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

The Transgender Advisory Board will adjourn to their next meeting on November 5, 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 5th DAY OF NOVEMBER.


CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:


STAFF LIAISON