## WEST HOLLYWOOD SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD

## **MINUTES**

WEDNESDAY, November 19, 2014 West Hollywood Library-Community Meeting Room 625 N. San Vicente Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90069

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Pat Dixon at 2:05 PM.

#### A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#### B. ROLL CALL

Members present: Esther Baum, Richard Blons, Pat Dixon, Sophia Gelman, Rita Norton, and Lee Walkup

Members absent: Barbara Krupa, Bernice Levin, and Muriel Schoichet

Staff present: Corey Roskin, Leslie Isenberg

## C. POSTING OF THE AGENDA

Corey Roskin stated that the agenda was posted at Plummer Park, West Hollywood Park, West Hollywood Library, West Hollywood Sheriff's Station, and West Hollywood City Hall.

#### D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Lee Walkup made a motion to approve the agenda and Richard Blons seconded it. The agenda was unanimously approved.

## II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairperson Dixon moved to approve the minutes of the September 24, 2014 meeting and Richard Blons seconded it. The minutes were unanimously approved.

#### III. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no items from the public.

#### IV. ITEMS FROM SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY PROGRAM

Nancy Desser provided the Board with a brief description of upcoming trips, lectures, and events that are being sponsored by the West Hollywood Comprehensive Service Center.

## V. **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Steve Wayland, Director of Programs at PAWS/LA, announced that they are celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary, in part because of West Hollywood's support from day one. They subsidize (sometimes prohibitively costly) vet's fees, vaccines and flea treatment. Mr. Wayland documented the facts that pet owners are healthier than non-pet owners in various ways, and shared a video of clients who are well-served by PAWS/LA.
- B. Olivia Walker and Stephanie Martinez of the Recreation Division gave an update of their services, including the addition of more adult classes, membership cards to facilitate payments, and specialty camps. They drew attention to the Monday Farmers Markets, community gardening opportunities, the popular Facebook page, and on-line registration.
- C. Steve Campbell, Public Facilities manager, and architect Gene Diep, gave an update on the work to make the Werle Building accessible, and fielded questions from the Board. The importance of accessibility to the first-step meetings on the first floor during construction was emphasized.

## VI. <u>ITEMS FROM THE BOARD</u>

Lee Walkup announced that registration for Medicare supplement through the Affordable Care Act is available through December 7. He noted that banners for other Boards are available throughout the year. He announced more health fairs and World AIDS Day events. Sheila Kuehl will be sworn in on December 1<sup>st</sup>, and the decision on Jeff Prang's election is still up for grabs.

Esther Baum went to the NCJW program on elder abuse, which Rita Norton also attended.

Sofia Gelman would like an update on the Movietown Plaza development.

#### VII. ITEMS FROM CITY STAFF

Leslie Isenberg announced plans for the holiday meeting and lunch on December 17<sup>th</sup> from noon – 2 pm at Marco's. A new meeting time of noon – 2 pm was suggested, and will be discussed further.

## VIII. <u>ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC</u>

Marcy Norton, West Hollywood, reported that Muriel Schoichet is at Berkeley East in Santa Monica. She also said that the NCJW event on elder abuse was well done, and perhaps West Hollywood could host a similar program.

Rick Watts, West Hollywood, took part in the L.A. Alzheimers Memory Walk. He also recommended the new movie about Glenn Campbell who suffers from Alzheimers.

# XI. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm to the next meeting to be held on Wednesday, December 19, 2014 at Noon at Marco's Restaurant.

Chairperson – Pat Dixon