

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
TRANSGENDER ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 4, 2015**

**7:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 4, 2015
Plummer Park
7377 Santa Monica Blvd.
West Hollywood, CA 90069**

1.CALL TO ORDER –Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2.PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - led by Member Samala

3.ROLL CALL – Board Members present: Drian Juarez, Karina Samala, Coco Lachine, Maria Carmen Hinayon, Carolyn Weiss, and Jaye Johnson. Also present: Bonnie Smith Public Safety Supervisor and David Escobedo Public Safety Administrative Assistant, Absent: Erika De La Cruz, Maria Roman, and Mariana Marroquin

4.APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – Motion to approve agenda by Member Weiss. Seconded by Member Samala. Motion approved.

5.APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion to approve January 2015 meeting minutes by Member Weiss Seconded by Member Lachine. Motion passed.

6.PUBLIC COMMENT
N/A

7.MEMBER COMMENTS (7:08)

Vice Chair LaChine spoke concerning getting out to vote for the March 3, 2015 elections.

Member Juarez reminded the board of the Billion Women Raising event for Feb 13, 2015 10 am to 11 am at the Sal Guerello Veterans Memorial.

Member Samala spoke concerning Yazmin Payne 33, of Van Nuys, CA a female Transgender woman who was murdered February 1, 2015.

Member Weiss spoke concerning Zoey Tur, the 1st ever transgender reporter on national television. Ms. Tur is a special correspondent with Inside Edition.

8.ITEMS FROM STAFF (7:12)

8A Dana Elise of Dana Elise Solutions, Beverley Hills spoke on electrolysis in the Transgender community and the work she is doing with Kaiser Permanente. Kaiser has just added Dana Elise Solutions as one of their service vendors for Electrolysis prior to reassignment surgery, which Kaiser is now paying for, both the Electrology and TS surgery.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS (7:14)

9A. Follow up on Trans Awareness Month/DOR a conversation concerning how to move forward on DOR. Member Johnson made a motion that the board works on DOR as a board monthly at the meeting. Member Lachine seconded. Abstained Member Juarez, 4 ayes. Motion passed. Staff was asked to send out email to community list to invite community members to come March Transgender Advisory Board meeting to work on Transgender Day of Remembrance. Member Lachine spoke concerning working on a speaker sooner than later. Member Hinayon spoke concerning holding community meetings. Member Hinayon spoke concerning wanting the

reading of the names to be different. Chairperson Johnson asked staff to once again work on the logistics. Chairperson Johnson made the motion to have staff reserve and hold the auto court. Motions seconded by Member LaChine. Motion passed. Member Lachine made a motion that layout of the postcard be the same as last year. Member Samala seconded. Motion passed.

9B. Transgender/Drag Community Joint Event Remove on next Agenda

9C: HIV Discussion Member Lachine spoke concerning what we can do to help the community. Member Juarez spoke concerning adding information to the Transgender Resource Guide.

9D: Housing – “Aging in Place”. Member Weiss spoke concerning her work on the Aging in Place issue. Member Lachine asked that staff check on when the meeting will be held.

9E. Calendar of Transgender Special Events/News, Member Hinayon spoke on the death of Yazmin Payne. Member Hinayon spoke of the community that she thinks is divided along racial lines. Member Juarez spoke of March 31, 2015 being Transgender Awareness Day. Member Lachine spoke of her concern of not letting one event be a sample of the community being racially divided. Member Juarez made a motion that the board place on the next agenda Transgender Awareness Day/Solidary Day. Seconded by Member Hinayon. Friendly amendment motion by Member Hinayon to have the event called Transgender Awareness/Solidary Day placed on the agenda for March. Seconded by Member Samala. 5 yes 1 abstained.

Member Weiss spoke concerning the U.S. Food and Drug Administration rules on blood donations from the Transgender Community. Member Weiss requested that the policy be placed on the March agenda. <http://www.advocate.com/health/2015/02/02/fda-everyone-transgender-gay-man>

9F. Valentine Social Tabled: Remove

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS (7:22)

Tristan Schukraft, resident of West Hollywood, spoke concerning running for City Council.

Racheal Roslucky, Democratic log cabin spoke concerning having people from the Transgender community run for public office.

11. ITEMS FROM THE MEMBERS/MEMBER COMMENTS (7:24)

Member Hinayon spoke of Yazmin Rayne being killed during a domestic violence dispute.

Member Lachine spoke concerning a national PSA being filmed about (Transgender) LGBT Domestic Violence.

Member Juarez spoke concerning the death of (?)

12. REVIEW AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING (7:26)

Transgender awareness day of solidarity.

U.S. Food and Drug Administration on blood donations from the Transgender Community.

Staff to ready names of the Transgender Community who has been murdered in the past month.

13. ADJOURNMENT (8:08 pm)

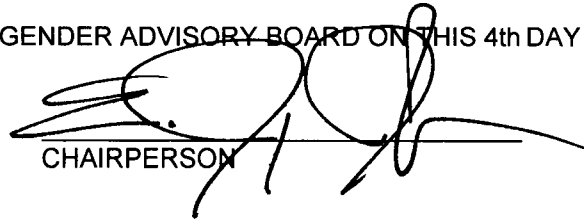
The Transgender Advisory Board will adjourn to their next meeting on April 1, 2015 at West Hollywood Plummer Park, 7377 Santa Monica Blvd, in Rooms 5 and 6. Meeting to adjourn in the names of Katria Rivera and Yazmin Payne.

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APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE TRANSGENDER ADVISORY BOARD ON THIS 4th DAY OF MARCH 2015.


CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:


STAFF LIAISON