

**WEST HOLLYWOOD
DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES
JANUARY 10, 2001
WEST HOLLYWOOD CITY HALL**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Vice-Chair Weltman called the Meeting to order at 5:36 PM.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**
3. **ROLL CALL:**
PRESENT: Board Members Arrigo, Dietrich, Semonco, Weber
Weltman, Ring, Ahern and Saur
ALSO PRESENT: Staff Liaison Springer, Deputy Clerk Moreno-Freedman
and Administrative Staff Assistant Bursztin.
ABSENT: Board Member Pavich
1. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**
ACTION: Approve the Agenda of Wednesday, January 10, 2001
Motion Board Member Ahern, seconded by Board Member Arrigo and unanimously carried.
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**
Alan Weber, West Hollywood, Senior Advisory Board Liaison, spoke about the negative aspects of cell phones while driving an automobile.
6. **STAFF COMMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**
Staff Liaison Springer suggested that a Work Plan Discussion be put on the next agenda to come up with new topics for the Board to decide which issues they want to be dealing with over the next several months. At the next meeting Disability Specialist, Ilana Nomberg will be going over the Disability Needs Survey which will be in the February 14th packet.
8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

A. **SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None.
9. **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. CALIFORNIA RELAY SYSTEMS PROGRAMS:

Brenda Bailey of California Relay Systems Programs gave a presentation on the different programs that the California Relay Systems offers. These programs are available to the community who have impairments. This is a state program and is funded by a surcharge on the telephone bill.

This program is promoted through 10 Outreach Specialists on staff, health fairs, demonstrations and articles.

A demonstration of TTY will be scheduled in the future for the Board.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

11. DISABILITIES ADVISORY MEMBER COMMENTS:

A. SUMMARY OF COMMISSION/ADVISORY BOARD CHAIRS' MEETING.

Chair Pavich was not there to give the summary.

B. GENERAL COMMENTS REGARDING DISABILITY ISSUES.

Board Member Saur offered to help demonstrate how to use TTY with the California Relay Systems at their next presentation for everyone to see how it works.

Board Member Arrigo announced that Lee Anne Willis passed away in late November. She and her husband, Tony received the Business Award at the Disability Service Awards 2000 for their travel business Choice Travel. Tony will carry on the business.

Board Member Ahern wanted to know if there were accessibility guidelines, an ADA process in effect in the City of West Hollywood. In addition, he inquired on what accommodations exist here at City Hall for disabled employees. Deputy Clerk Moreno-Freedman announced that Vivian Love is the ADA Coordinator here at City Hall and she would be the one to answer both questions.

Board Member Weber wanted an inventory of all of the projects that the Disability Advisory Board has completed.

Boardmember Ahern asked that all the Sub-Committees meet before the next DAB meeting and come up with mission statements. He wanted to know who were Liaisons on the other Boards and Commissions. He promoted the upcoming event on January 17th "Days of Dialogue".

The Board agreed that an interpreter for Board Member Saur would be appropriate and welcomed.

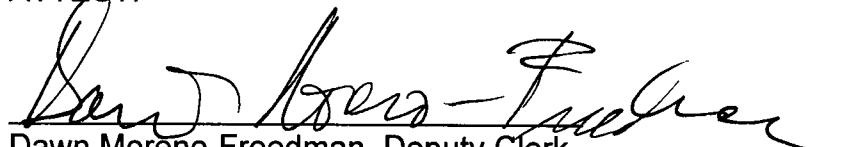
Board Member Ring suggested that Brenda Bailey of California Relay Systems broadcast her presentation on Public Access Channel. He also stated that he would look into it since he hosts a Public Access Program and is familiar with the staff involved with the channel.

- 12. ADJOURNMENT:** The Disabilities Advisory Board adjourned at 6:32 PM in memory of Lee Anne Willis. The next regular meeting will be on **Wednesday, March 14, 2001.**

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD THIS 14 DAY OF Feb, 2001.


Chair Pavich

ATTEST:


Dawn Moreno-Freedman, Deputy Clerk