CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, September 24, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. Community Meeting Room, West Hollywood Library 625 N. San Vicente Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA 90069

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Vice Chair Salguero called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

A. Administer the Oath of Office to Newly Appointed Boardmembers
Mayor Lindsey Horvath administered the oath of office to new Boardmember
Karen Eyres.

B. Roll Call

Present: Kelly Alexander, Debra D'Amico, Karen Eyres, Tina Moore, Silvia Salguero, Nadia Sutton, Noemi Torres and Anne Toole.

Absent: Molly Casey

Staff: Larissa Fooks, Staff Liaison and John Erickson, Recording Secretary

II. APROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Boardmember Torres made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting of August 27, 2015 and Boardmember D'Amico seconded the motion. The motion was approved with Boardmember Eyres abstaining.

III. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Anny Semonco, Disabilities Advisory Board member, spoke to the Board about the upcoming Disabilities Health Fair on October 20, 2015 from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm in Fiesta Hall at Plummer Park and the Disabilities Advisory Board Televised Meeting and Awards on October 28, 2015.

IV. WEST HOLLYWOOD REPORT ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

The Board discussed a number of items that they would like to see included in a future status of women report and ways to solicit further input from other stakeholders.

V. LEGISLATION & ADVOCACY DISCUSSION:

Staff gave a brief update report regarding the status of CA State bills AB 775, the Reproductive FACT Act and SB 358, a bill regarding gender wage differential.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Board Work Plan Discussion

Tabled.

B. Televised Board Meeting, October 21, 2015

The Board discussed various elements to incorporate into their televised meeting such as a short exert from "Conversations 'Bout the Girls", highlighting Breast Cancer Awareness Month, inviting the participation of Planned Parenthood and recognizing the organization, a legislative report about the Board's actions and showing various PSA's.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. National Women's History Month 2016

The Board reviewed and discussed ideas for the City's annual celebration of National Women's History Month during the month of March.

B. Co-sponsorship of Project Angel Food's Thanksgiving Fundraiser

Boardmember Torres made a motion that the City of West Hollywood help promote Project Angel Food's Thanksgiving Fundraiser by distributing information via the City's website and social media and Boardmember Eyres seconded the motion, The motion was approved unanimously.

C. Election of Officers

Vice Chair Salguero called for nominations for Chair of the Women's Advisory Board. Silvia Salguero and Noemi Torres were nominated. Silvia Salguero was elected chair by a vote of 4-2 with Boardmember Eyres abstaining. Vice Chair Salguero called for nominations for Vice Chair. Noemi Torres and Tina Moore were nominated. Noemi Torres was elected Vice Chair by a vote of 6-1.

VIII. BOARD AND COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS:

Boardmember Toole volunteered to continue to serve as the liaison to the Association of California Commissions on Women (ACCW).

IX. MONTHLY REPORTS TO CITY COUNCIL:

Boardmember Alexander volunteered to report for the month of September.

X. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Young Women Subcommittee

2. Advocacy Training Project Workshops

Staff reported that they attended a debriefing meeting and the series will start up again in April 2016.

3. 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF CONVERSATIONS 'BOUT THE GIRLS'

Boardmember Torres reported the Board that the play was awarded a City of West Hollywood's Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission Arts Grant.

4. Women In Film Speaker Series None.

XI. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Anny Semonco, Disabilities Advisory Boardmember, clarified the dates for the upcoming Disabilities Health Fair and their upcoming televised Board meeting and disabilities awards.

XII. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD:

None.

XIII. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

None.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT:

The Women's Advisory Board adjourned at 9:02 pm until their next regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, October 21, 2015 at the City Council Chambers, West Hollywood Park Library, all located at 625 N. Vicente Blvd, West Hollywood, CA 90069.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ON THIS 21st DAY OF OCTOBER, 2015.

MOLLY CASEY, CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

JOHN M. ERICKSON, RECORDING SECRETARY