

CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES

THURSDAY, June 27, 2002 at 7:17 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Roll Call

Janet Chapman	Present
Julia Gandelsman	Absent
Jerrie Heslov	Present
Mina Kedar	Present
Wendy Krueger, Chair	Present
Judy Lubin	Present
Claire Magaha	Present
Sandi Margolis	Present
Meri McCann	Absent
Judith Resell, Vice Chair	Present
Rae Mitchell	Present
Danielle Noble	Present
Marcy Norton, Recording Secretary	Present

B. Review of the Agenda

Approved as amended (correction of name of program in item V. B.)

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the April 25, 2002 meeting. Marcy Norton stated that there were some minor typographical errors which she would forward to staff. Marcy Norton moved to approve as amended; Danielle Noble seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

III. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no items from the public.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Taken out of order: Item C first; Item A next; Item B last)

A. Women In and Out of the Workplace:

Claire Magaha reported that the sub-committee has met a few times and firmed up many of the plans for the conference program, which she reviewed for the Board. Information with proposed goals and format for the conference was distributed. Discussion of outreach and promotion issues.

B. Board Retreat Follow-up:

Town Hall Subcommittee Report: Danielle Noble presented a synopsis of the City's 1998 needs assessment survey. She also raised the question of whether there is a need/desire for a Town Hall Meeting or whether there is a possibility of addressing these issues at the "Women in the Workplace" conference roundtable discussions.

C. Co-Sponsorship of Women's Photography Exhibit:

Judith Resell had attended the exhibit and spoke about it. Discussion by the Board. Marcy Norton moved that the Board support the program by co-sponsoring an exhibit in West Hollywood; Danielle Noble seconded; passed unanimously. Janet Chapman, Judith Resell, Judy Lubin, Jerrie Heslov, Marcy Norton and Mina Kedar volunteered to serve on the sub-committee. The Board discussed ways to tie the program in with some kind of outreach to homeless women in West Hollywood and meeting with the City's Social Services Division about existing programs and services.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Reproductive Privacy Act:

Rae Mitchell moved to have the Board recommend that the City Council do a resolution in support of this bill; Judith Resell seconded; passed unanimously.

B. Step by Step:

Alan Weber, producer of "Step by Step" gave an update on the plans for the program, including the fact that it has been extended to include not only people "coming out" as L/G/B/T but also people "coming out" with AIDS. Jerrie Heslov moved to support the concept of Step by Step; Judith Resell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

C. Heritage Tree Project:

Marcy Norton described the project idea of planting heritage trees from homes of famous women in American history in to commemorate Women's History Month or Earth Day. City Staff will be consulted to determine which of these trees could survive in West Hollywood and where they might be planted and report back.

D. National Women's History Museum in Washington, D.C.:

Marcy Norton presented the idea of the Board supporting the National Women's History Museum in Washington, D.C. She made a motion that the Board become a "Charter Member" of the Museum as a group. Seconded by Judith Resell, the motion passed unanimously.

E. Meeting Schedule 2002:

The Board discussed their meeting schedule for the remainder of the year. Marcy Norton made a motion to move the November, 2002 meeting from 11/28/02 to 11/21/02.

Seconded by Judith Chapman, the motion was approved unanimously.

Jerrie Heslov made a motion that the December, 2002 meeting be rescheduled from 12/26/02 to 12/19/02 and that the Board reassess Board members' availability for that date at the November meeting. Seconded by Wendy Krueger the motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Claire Magaha, seconded by Mina Kedar and passed unanimously to hold the October, 2002 meeting on 10/17/2002. Diane Noble made a motion seconded by Claire Magaha passed unanimously that the July meeting be rescheduled to 08/01/02 due to lack of a quorum. The regularly scheduled meeting in August will still be held as well.

F. West Hollywood Book Fair:

(A motion was made by Diane Noble and seconded by Marcy Norton to add this item to the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.)

The Board discussed participating in "Fall Into Reading", the first annual West Hollywood Book Fair scheduled to be held at West Hollywood Park on Saturday, October 5, 2002.

Jerrie Heslov moved that the Board participate in the bookfair Marcy Norton seconded, approved unanimously

V. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

- A. Marcy Norton raised two issues for possible discussion at the next WAB meeting: 1) Recent news reports on the rape statistics for West Hollywood. 2) The issue of recent news reports about Governor Davis having overturned recommendations of the state Parole Board to release of several women convicted of killing their abusers.

VI. ITEMS FROM THE STAFF

There were no items from Staff.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The Women's Advisory Board adjourned at 9:20 p.m. to their next meeting at 7 p.m. on August 1, 2002 in the Community Conference Room at City Hall, 8300 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90069.