

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
TRANSGENDER ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 7, 2015.**

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

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - led by Michelle Dennis.

3. ROLL CALL – Board Members present: Drian Juarez, Karina Samala, Mariana Marroquin, Erika De La Cruz, James Wen, Kean O'Brien, Coco Lachine, and Justine Gonzalez.
Also present: Bonnie Smith Public Safety Supervisor. Absent Jaye Johnson.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – Motion to approve agenda by Member LaChine. Seconded by Member Marroquin. Motion approved.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion to approve September 9, 2015 meeting minutes by Member De La Cruz. Seconded by Member O'Brien. Motion passes.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Nil Silverman, resident of West Hollywood, Owner of Love No Hate facility spoke concerning his facility. Mr. Silverman asked all TAB members to stop by the facility.

Michelle Dennis, resident of Los Angeles, spoke concerning the Transgender video history being made called Trans Experience LA.

Sam Borelli, resident of West Hollywood and member of the Human Services Commission, introduced himself to the board as the new liaison to the TAB board.

7. MEMBER COMMENTS

Member Gonzalez congratulated the members for their new term on the board.

Member Wen spoke concerning the death of Keisha Jenkins that happened on October 7, 2015. Member Wen spoke of the 18 transgender suicides that have happened in 2015

Member Juarez spoke concerning the Transgender Job Fair taking place at the Auto Court on October 29, 2015.

Member Marroquin spoke concerning thankful for being placed on the board for another term. Member Marroquin spoke of the recent suicides.

Member O'Brian apologized for missing the last meeting.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8A. Day of Remembrance

Member Marroquin updated the group on Transgender Day of Remembrance.

There was discussion on volunteers, staging, RSVP list, and the march.
Member Juarez asked the memorial be polished for the month of November.

Nil Zilerman, resident of West Hollywood spoke on the Love No Hate Facility. He spoke Of all the good that the facility could do.

8B. Subcommittee Report on TDOR: Discussed above

8C. Transgender Awareness Month
Vote was taken for awards for November meeting. Business APAIT, Individual Susan Forest and Officer Ian Lewis.

8D. Anti-Violence Prevention (HSC) Tabled

8E. Community Outreach Tabled

9. New Business

9A. Transgender News

9A. Day of Empathy Tabled till December

9B. Human Rights Campaign Tabled

9C. Transgender Los Angeles Chorus Tabled

9D. Calendar of Transgender Special Events/News

9E. Student Success Act, Member Juarez said there is no new information at this time.

9F. National Voting Rights, Tabled to November meeting

9G. Transgender Health Issues, Tabled

12. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Congress date, October 14, 2015 at the Auto Court

Staff and TAB discussed the televised meeting to be held on November 3, 2015.

13. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Michelle Dennis, resident of Los Angeles spoke concerning the League of Women's voter. Member Juarez asked that League of Women's voters be added to the agenda.

Nil Zilverman, resident of West Hollywood, spoke concerning TAB fighting for the members of the community who do not have a voice.

14. ITEMS FROM THE MEMBERS/MEMBER COMMENTS

Member Wen asked that Trans Experience LA be on the next agenda, Transgender Health Issues and National Voting Rights.

Member Juarez thanked the audience for coming to the meeting.

Chair Wen thanked the staff, and audience for attending the meeting.

15. REVIEW AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

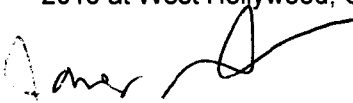
National Voting Rights

Trans Experience Los Angeles

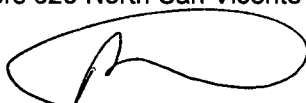
Transgender Health Issues

16. ADJOURNMENT (8:40 pm)

The Transgender Advisory Board will adjourn in the name Keisha Jenkins and the 18 transgender people who have committed suicide in the past 8 months to their next meeting on November 3, 2015 at West Hollywood, City Council Chambers 625 North San Vicente Blvd.



Transgender Advisory Board Chair



Staff Liaison

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