

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
TRANSGENDER ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES FOR JANUARY 4, 2017**

**7:00 p.m., Wednesday January 4, 2017
8300 Santa Monica Blvd.
West Hollywood, CA 90048**

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - led by Leslie Frias

3. ROLL CALL – Board Members present: Chair Coco Lachine, Karina Samala, James Wen, Erika De La Cruz, Leslie Frias, Drian Juarez, Justine Gonzalez and Dr. Jaye Johnson. Also present: Bonnie Smith, Public Safety, Supervisor and Bruce Robertson, Staff Assistant

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – Motion to approve agenda by Member De La Cruz. Seconded by Member Johnson. Motion approved.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion to approve December 2016 meeting minutes by Member Wen. Seconded by Member De La Cruz.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT:

DAN MORIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, commented on patronizing Stonewall bar, being an AIDS activist and a new CSW board member. Mr. Morin spoke of moving CSW forward, involving all community members. Mr. Morin spoke of the board being involved in planning more Transgender events for CSW.

7. MEMBER COMMENTS

Member Wen thanked Mr. Morin for attending and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Member Samala thanked Mr. Morin for attending the meeting. Member Samala spoke of resigning from CSW in November of 2016.

Member LaChine asked staff to have Trans Month events as a standing item on the agenda.

Member Johnson passed out a calendar of events for the board to review. The calendar will be placed on February agenda

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

N/A

9. NEW BUSINESS

9A. Derek Murray, Social Services, City of West Hollywood will present new programs with Bet Tzetek Mr. Murray cancelled item.

9B. Boy Scouts of America, Member Wen spoke of the Transgender youth Joe Maldonado 8 years of age from Secaucus New Jersey who was asked not to participate as a boy scout in events that were just for boys.

A motion was ask for City Council to draft a letter to the Boy Scouts of America to ask for inclusivity of Trans members. Motion passed. Staff to share board concerns with Council.

The board also offered to provide education by offering Transgender 101 dialogue with Cub Scout parents, Pack Leaders and youths, and by offering panels to be set up to help move the dialogue along.

10. Items from Staff

Staff suggested that a subcommittee be set up to start the discussion about funding for all November events. Members Gonzalez, Wen, and Samala to work on the subcommittee.

11. Public Comment


None.

12. Items from Board Members

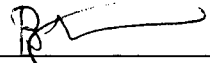
Member Wen asked the board to endorse Hollywood NOW production of the Vagina Monologues. Added to the February agenda. Member Wen also asked for a representative of the Women's Leadership Council be invited to the February meeting.

Member Juarez asked if board members are allowed to endorse candidates.

13. Adjournment



Transgender Advisory Board Chair



Staff Liaison

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