CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, February 23, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

1st Floor Community Conference Room, West Hollywood City Hall 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA 90069

I. CALL TO ORDER:

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

Roll Call:

Present: Debra D'Amico, Karen Eyres, Amanda Smash Hyde, Tina Moore, Nadia Sutton and Silvia Salguero, and Noemi Torres.

Absent: Kelly Alexander and Anne Toole

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

II. APROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Vice Chair Eyres made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting of January 23, 2017 and Boardmember Hyde seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

III. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Cythnia Blatt, West Hollywood resident, congratulated the Board on the *Vagina Monologues* event and spoke about her history in public service.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Co-Sponsorship of the Live Love Thrive Women's Empowerment Conference Catherine Gray gave a short presentation regarding the Live Love Thrive Women's Empowerment Conference and requested support again from the Board. Vice Chair Eyres made a motion to co-sponsor the Live Love Thrive Women's Empowerment Conference and Boardmember Sutton seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

B. 22nd Annual Healthy West Hollywood Kids' Fair

Boardmember Moore made a motion to co-sponsor the 22nd Annual Health West Hollywood Kids' Fair and Boardmember Salguero seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously. Boardmember Moore and Vice Chair Eyres volunteered to serve on the subcommittee to coordinate the booth activity and staff it.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. National Women's History Month 2017

The Board discussed ongoing planning and updates for the various events throughout National Women's History Month in March.

C Report from the Women's Safety Joint Subcommittee

The Board recepved a recommendation from the Women' Safety Joint Subcommittee in support of an art mural project about sexual assault awareness and prevention. Boardmember Hyde made a motion in support of the recommendation that was seconded by Vice Chair Eyres and passed unanimously.

C Association of California Commissions for Women (ACCW) Winter Meeting Boardmembers Moore, Salguero, Hyde and Vice Chair Eyres and Chair Torres confirmed their intent to participate in the upcoming meeting of the Association of California Commissions for Women (ACCW) to be held on April 1, 2017 in Santa Barbara, CA.

VI. BOARD AND COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS:

None

VII. MONTHLY REPORTS TO CITY COUNCIL:

Boardmember D'Amico volunteered to report to City Council for the month of February.

VIII. SUBCOMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS:

1. Young Women Subcommittee

Boardmember D'Amico reported that she attended the most recent Children's Roundtable Event where they discussed gender identity and had training for providers that were in attendance. She reported that she connected with a representative from Walt Whitman Continuation School located on the Fairfax Campus and the opportunities to meet and connect with young girls finishing high school on Tuesday, May 9, 2017 between 8:30 am – 1:00 pm. And if people wanted to speak to the students to contact her and she'll help arrange a time.

2. Women In Film Speaker Series

No report.

3. Elimination of the Statute of limitations on Rape No report.

4. Women's Safety Joint Subcommittee/City of West Hollywood V-Day 2017

No report.

5. WAB Club: Women And Books

Vice Chair Eyres reported on the February Women and Books Club event and the upcoming event.

6. Black History Month Literary Event: WE RISE! WE WRITE! WE ARRIVE!

Vice Chair Eyres reported on the event that will take place tomorrow, February 24, 2017 in the West Hollywood City Council Chambers at 7:00 pm.

7. NCJW/LA Annual Roe V Wade Event "Rally To Save Roe" No report.

8. Hollywood NOW Production of The Vagina Monologues
Vice Chair Eyres reported that the event was a success and sold out.
Chair Torres reported that the event raised \$2,000 for Planned
Parenthood Los Angeles.

IX. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

None.

X. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD:

Boardmember D'Amico spoke about the Block By Block Program or the City's Security Ambassadors come speak to the Board at an upcoming meeting.

Boardmember Salguero passed out the most recent Friends of the West Hollywood Library's most recent newsletter.

XI. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

Staff Liaison Fooks encouraged the Board to promote their upcoming Women's History Month event activities

XII. BOARD RETREAT DISCUSSION SESSION

Tabled

XIII. ADJOURNMENT:

The Women's Advisory Board adjourned at 8:55 p.m. until their next regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, March 23, 2017 at the 1st Floor Community Conference Room, West Hollywood City Hall, 8300 Santa Monica Blvd, West Hollywood, CA 90069.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ON THIS 23rd DAY OF MARCH, 2017

NOEM TORRES, CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

JOHN PRICKSON, RECORDING SECRETARY