

**MINUTES
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
TRANSGENDER ADVISORY BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 1, 2018
6:00 P.M.**

**COMMUNITY MEETING ROOM
8300 SANTA MONICA BOULAVARD, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA**

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1. CALL TO ORDER – Chair Sanchez called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Member Deaton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Chair Sanchez and Members De La Cruz, Deaton, Samala, Monroy, Fairchild and Wen

ABSENT: Members Johnson and Juarez

ALSO PRESENT: Bonnie Smith, Public Safety Supervisor

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

SUBJECT: The Transgender Advisory Board is requested to approve the Agenda.

ACTION: Motion by Member Deaton to approve the August 1, 2018 agenda, seconded by Member Fairchild. Motion passes with Members Wen, Samala, Monroy, and De La Cruz voting yes.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

SUBJECT: The Transgender Advisory Board is requested to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2018 meeting.

ACTION: Motion by Member Samala to approve the July 10, 2018 minutes, seconded by Member Fairchild. Motion passes with Members Fairchild and Wen, voting yes. Abstaining members Deaton, Monroy, and De La Cruz abstaining.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ryan Hope spoke concerning a project on Dominique Downs and her passing.

7. MEMBER COMMENTS

Chair Sanchez thanked the board for their vote of confidence. She spoke of

serving as a camp counselor and the joy she shared with a camper. She spoke of the honor and privilege of serving on the board. She also spoke of the importance of helping the community.

Member Fairchild attended a meeting with Cedar Sinai and Dr. ? Concerning cancer and also met with Trans Can Work.

Member Wen spoke of speaking with a homeless Transgender Russian Community member and sharing the information concerning homeless Trans Community members with Assembly Member Bloom office. Member Wen also spoke of the Midnight Stroll.

Chair Monroy congratulated Chair Sanchez for becoming chair. She spoke of facing discrimination and worrying about the community facing discrimination and how we must help get them resources.

Member Fairchild spoke of being happy to be working with the board.

Member Samala spoke of the Midnight Stroll starting a project in West Hollywood. She spoke of looking for a location and volunteers to help with a West Hollywood Midnight Stroll. She shared information on the first Indigenous Pride to be hosting at Barnsdall Art Park on October 7, 2018

Member Deaton congratulated the new chair and vice chair. She shared with the board the reason for her being absent last month. She all hared how to recognize and react to a stroke.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8A. TRANSGENDER AWARENESS MONTH

Subject: The Board will discuss events to take place in November.

Staff discussed with the Transgender Advisory Board that the new hotel the Jeremy Hotel on Sunset has a ball room that holds 550 guests. Staff met with the manager and is awaiting a cost list for the hotel. The board requested staff to secure the location for the November 20th event.

Member Wen spoke of meeting with committee members and discussing the march. Members of the community would like to march on November 20th if it is possible. Staff to meet with Sheriff's on location of march due to being on Sunset Blvd.

Member De La Cruz asked who in the community asked about the march. Member Wen said he had shared it at the Transgender Provider Meeting. Member De La Cruz expressed her concern about sharing with the community if a site is not picked yet.

Member Deaton asked had we considered moving the event to the weekend. Members said keeping it on the 20th is important.

Chair Sanchez spoke of the importance of having the march on the 20th and the

emotion it helps express. She also spoke of the importance of looking at the location and would it work. She spoke of agreeing with Member De La Cruz and having the march on November 3rd as the kickoff of Transgender Awareness Month.

Member De La Cruz spoke of liking the hotel and having no alcohol at the event. Member Monroy spoke of still needing entertainment.

Member Wen spoke of adding additional TV screens in the foyer.

Subcommittee: Samala Monroy, Madison and Lindsey

Member Wen spoke of the save the date post card and an event on November 3rd.

Action: Staff to speak Sheriff's about location of march. Staff to secure Fiesta Hall for a party for the Transgender Awareness Month Kick Off. Staff to propose a budget for the November 3rd March and Kickoff Party.

8B. West Hollywood Chamber of Commerce and Trans Can Work Train the Trainer

Subject West Hollywood Chamber of Commerce and Trans Can Work Train the Trainer

Member Wen spoke of the training and having the board endorse the training. Member Wen made a motion that the Transgender Advisory Board endorses the training. Seconded by Member Deaton.

Action: Motion passes with Chair Sanchez, Members Wen, Monroy, Deaton, Fairchild, and Samala voting yes. Member De La Cruz abstained.

9. NEW BUSINESS

None

10. ITEMS FROM THE STAFF

Staff informed the Transgender Advisory Board that all meeting will be held at 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard, City Hall from tonight on. Staff thanked the board for their work on the November events.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

Luna from the Gay and Lesbian Center spoke to the board concerning the Job and Resources Fair.

12. ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Member Deaton thanked the board and the staff for their work.

Member Monroy thanked the board for their work.

Member De la Cruz thanked the board and the staff. Transgender Work Center is doing well.

Member Samala spoke of the Indigenous Transgender Pride in October looking for community members to volunteer.

Member Wen thanked the audience, and spoke of looking forward to the job fair. Member Wen spoke of being asked to serve on the HIV committee on December 3 and 4th. He will be looking for community feedback once he understands what the study is looking for.

Member Fairchild spoke of her excitement for Transgender Awareness Month.

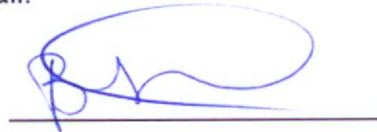
Chair Sanchez thanked staff for their work.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The Transgender Advisory Board adjourned at 7:17 PM. The next **Special meeting** is scheduled for September 5, 2018 in the Community Conference Room at 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard City Hall.



Transgender Advisory Board Chair



Staff Liaison

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