

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2019 – 7:00 P.M.
City Hall 1st Floor Community Conference Room
8300 Santa Monica Blvd, West Hollywood**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Women's Advisory Board Meeting was called to order by Chair Lubey at 7:33 PM.

2. INSTALLATION OF NEW MEMEBER

Nicole Payton was installed as a new member of the Women's Advisory Board by Larissa Fooks.

A. Roll Call

Present: Board Member Karen Eyres
Board Member Nicole Payton
Board Member Angela de Silva
Board Member Nadia Sutton
Board Chair Melaney Lubey

Absent: Board Member Tina Moore
Board Vice-Chair Jenner Deal
Board Member Amanda Bleich

Also Present: Staff Liaison. Larissa Fooks
Recording Secretary, Jenny Ivanova

3. Approval of the September 26, 2019 Meeting Agenda

Approval of the September 26, 2019 Meeting Agenda was motioned by Board Member Eyres, seconded by Board Member de Silva and approved unanimously.

4. Approval of the August 22, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Tabled

5. Public Comment:

Anny Semonco invited the Board to attend Disabilities Resource Fair on Oct 17, 2019 as well as the Disability Service Awards on October 23, 2019.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

A. WAB Annual Televised Meeting:

The Board discussed ideas for its annual televised meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 19, 2019 from 7pm – 9 pm at the West Hollywood City Council Chambers.

B. National Women’s History Month Celebration 2020

The Board reviewed its annual programming process and discussed planning for the City’s annual commemoration of National Women’s History Month held during the month of March.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Women’s Equality Day Commemoration – Sunday, August 25, 2019

The Board conducted a debriefing regarding of Women’s Equality Day, the anniversary of women winning the right to vote in the United States. Board Members agreed that it was a wonderful event.

B. Domestic Violence Awareness and Advocacy – Family Court System

The Board discussed planning updates for the Domestic Violence Awareness Month event regarding domestic violence and victimization within the Family Court System scheduled for Saturday, October 5, 2019.

C. Women’s Advisory Board Work Plan Implementation

Tabled

7. LEGISLATION & ADVOCACY:

A. State Legislation & Policy

Tabled

B. Federal Legislation & Policy

Tabled

C. Legislative and Advocacy Updates on WAB Prioritized Issues:

Tabled

8. BOARD AND COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS:

1. LA-County Commission on Women & Girls & Women & Girls Initiative 100 year Anniversary Celebration of 19th Amendment Committee.
Boardmember Eyres encouraged other board members to attend these meetings; because she will no longer be able to attend due to starting a new job.
2. Association of California Women’s Commissions

No report

3. City of West Hollywood Census 2020 Complete Count Committee (CCC)
Boardmember Eyres reported on the first Census Count Committee meeting and shared details about awareness.

9. MONTHLY REPORTS TO CITY COUNCIL:

The Board designated Boardmember Karen Eyres to report back to the City Council for October 2019

10. SUBCOMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS:

The Board heard feedback and updates regarding the following Board initiated and or/co-sponsored activities

1. **Women In Film Speaker Series – No report**
2. **WAB Club: Women And Books – No report**
3. **Human Trafficking Awareness Community Screening-** No report
4. **Community Screening of the Documentary Film *Birthright: A War Story* –**
Boardmember Eyres, who moderated the panel discussion, reported that the event was very good.
5. **National Council of Jewish Women Advocacy Training Project**
Larissa Fooks reported about attending the open house that was held on September 23rd which had a successful launch/workshop with 24 participants. The next workshop will be held on October 27th 2pm-5pm, *Presenting your Advocacy Message*. Chair Lubey encouraged the Board to attend and have a presence at all of their workshops.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

12. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD:

Board Member Payton

Happy to be here for her first meeting, shared she just got back from out of the Country.

Board Member de Silva

Attended her 3rd Lean in Circle, went really well. Women's Empowerment group. Received a letter that her nonprofit was officially tax-exempt.

Board Member Sutton

Attended LGAB 30th anniversary, thanked staff on a wonderful event. Encouraged everyone be more present in the community and be present for fighting for our rights.

Board Member Eyres

Apologized that she will miss the Board's domestic violence awareness month event that will be held on October 6th, as she will be out of town for a rally in support for women who are being detained at the US border.

13. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

Larissa Fooks announced an upcoming film screenings for a new documentary film *LA Women Rising* and will forward invitations to the Board.

14. Adjournment:

The Women's Advisory Board adjourned at 9:18pm to their next meeting on Thursday, October 24, 2019 at 7pm in the West Hollywood City Hall Community Conference Room, located at 8300 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90069.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD ON THIS 24th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2019.



MELANEY LUBEY, CHAIR

ATTEST:



JENNY IVANOVA,
RECORDING SECRETARY