

CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 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 Smash-Hyde at 7:07 PM

A. Roll Call

Present: Board Member Amanda Bleich
Board Member Jenner Deal
Board Member Karen Eyres
Board Member Tina Moore
Board Member Silvia Salguero
Board Member Nadia Sutton
Board Vice Chair Melaney Lubey
Board Chair Amanda Smash Hyde

Absent: Board Member Tina Moore

Also Present: Strategic Initiatives Manager, Corri Planck
Staff Liaison. Larissa Fooks
Recording Secretary, Jenny Ivanova

2. Approval of the February 28, 2019 Meeting Agenda

Approval of the January 31, 2019 Meeting Agenda was motioned by Board Member Eyres, seconded by Board Member Deal, and approved unanimously.

3. Approval of the January 31, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Tabled

4. Public Comment:

None

5. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Women's Advisory Board Input on Social Services Priorities

The Board reviewed questions regarding social services priorities and designated chair Smash Hyde as the board's delegate to provide input on social services priorities at a meeting of the Human services Commission on March 12, 2019.

B. 24th Annual West Hollywood Kid’s Fair

The Board discussed their participation in the City’s 24th Annual Kids Fair to be held on Saturday, April 6, 2019 from 10 am – 2 pm at Plummer Park. The Board designated a subcommittee of Vice Chair Lubey, Boardmember Eyres and Boardmember Salguero.

1. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. National Women’s History Month Celebration 2019

The Board discussed City’s annual commemoration of National Women’s History Month that is held during the month and attendance at March events. Staff provided some updated regarding programing.

B. Domestic Violence Awareness and Advocacy – Family Court System

Vice Chair Lubey and Board Members Eyres and Romo gave feedback about the film “What doesn’t kill you” about the issue of domestic violence and victimization within the Family Court System. They also made suggestions about way the Board can get involved with the issue. Motion by Board Member Romo to create a subcommittee to discuss hosting a viewing of “What doesn’t kill you” in October for Domestic Violence Awareness Month as well as other opportunities to bring this issue to light. Seconded by Board member Bleich, approved unanimously. The new subcommittee members will be Board members Romo, Eyres, Salguero and Lubey.

C. Women’s Advisory Board Retreat Meeting Follow up

The Board’s discussion focused on way to make an impact on Women’s health issues.

7. LEGISLATION & ADVOCACY:

A. State Legislation & Policy

1. Staff reported that Hernan Molina will attend the Board’s next meeting to discuss new bills.

B. Federal Legislation & Policy

No update

C. Legislative and Advocacy Updates on WAB Prioritized Issues:

1. Ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment –
 - Updates from the Equal Means Equal and #ERAnow Campaigns
2. Human Trafficking - Awareness and Prevention

8. BOARD AND COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS:

None

9. MONTHLY REPORTS TO CITY COUNCIL:

The Board designated Board Member Salguero to report back to the City Council for February 2019.

10. SUBCOMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS:

The Board updated the following Board initiated and or/co-sponsored activities

- 1. Women In Film Speaker Series** – No report
- 2. Women’s Safety Joint Subcommittee** – The Subcommittee is brainstorming on ideas for more possible safety recommendations. The next meeting is March 20th.
- 3. WAB Club: Women And Books** – No report
- 4. *The Vagina Monologues*** – presented by Hollywood NOW as part of the City’s annual commemoration of V-Day, a global anti-violence campaign. Board member Sutton said it was magnificent. Board member Eyres reported that the event was sold out and the event raised more than 5k. Huge success.
- 5. Advocacy Training Project** – an annual series of training workshops presented by NCJW/LA. Board member Lubey spoke on how the workshop was well attended.
- 6. She Angels:** a funding competition for women entrepreneurs and web series. Board member Deal notified us that she was coming on board as a creative director.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

12. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD:

Board Member Deal

- Expressed that she loves everyone

Board Member Bleich

- Made comments in support of the City Council stance regarding the Mayor.

Board Member Romo

- Announced two upcoming events: a wellness event on March 9th and a fundraiser for the “Nevertheless” on March 20th

Board Member Sutton

- Shared feedback about City.x1 Valentine’s Day event

Board Member Eyres

- Made announcements about the City of LA's International Women and Mount St Mary's annual release of the California Status of Women Report and that she would be attending.
- Reminded everyone one about voting on March 5th
- Congratulated Board Member Sutton about the upcoming Pawlapalooza event

Board Member Lubey

- Announced her appointment to Improving Birth Organization, as well at attending the Mom's Congress in Washington, DC.

Board Member Salguero

- Announced that she resigned from her current job

Board Member Smash Hyde

- Expressed that this was the happiest time of her life and that she loved everyone

13. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

None

14. Adjournment

The Women's Advisory Board adjourned at 9:12pm to their next regular meeting on Thursday, March 28, 2019 at 7 pm 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 28th DAY OF MARCH, 2019.



Melaney Lubey, Co-Chair

ATTEST:

LARISSA FOOKS,
STAFF LIAISON