

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
RUSSIAN ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 2021**

VIA TELECONFERENCE

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Volman called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** –Chair Volman led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. ROLL CALL** - Board members present: Alex Tolocenco, Raisa Aguf, Vika Safrigina, Lyubov Levitan, Valentina Matiji, Diana Volman, Gabriela Gershfeld, Eugene Maysky, Ekaterina Kutepova.

Staff Liaison Tatiana Rodzinek was also present.

- 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Eugene Maysky made a motion to approve the agenda of Tuesday, April 20, 2021 seconded by Lyubov Levitan. Motion passed.
- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of the meeting of March 16, 2021. Lyubov Levitan made a motion to approve, seconded by Vika Safrigina. Motion passed.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

7. RUSSIAN ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS

There were no comments.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.A. FOLLOW UP ON THE YOM HASHOAH 2021 VIRTUAL EVENT

Subject: The Russian advisory Board members will follow up on the event.

Action: Chair Volman spoke about the event. Diana Volman informed the board that she had received a very good feedback from the participants. Members Levitan and Aguf also spoke regarding the event.

8.B. VICTORY IN EUROPE DAY 2021

Subject: The Russian advisory Board members will continue discussion on the event.

Action: Board members received update from the subcommittee.

Board members discussed ideas for the programming of the virtual event and discussed the ways to honor veterans in the community on the day of the event and gift ideas.

8.C. RUSSIAN ARTS AND CULTURE FESTIVAL 2021

Subject: Board members will continue discussion of the project dedicated to the celebration of Russian cultural heritage and will start discussion of the programming for the Russian-speaking community awards presentation.

Action: Received information from staff and discussed ideas of the virtual presentation of the awards given annually to the members of the Russian-speaking community.

8. D. UPCOMING CULTURAL PROJECTS AND EVENTS

Subject: Board members will receive information regarding upcoming events.

Action: Received information from staff regarding various cultural events in the City of West Hollywood.

9. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

Staff informed the board regarding the upcoming training on Human Trafficking.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no public comments.

11. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS/BOARD MEMBERS

Eugene Maysky spoke about his new job with CES.

12. ADJOURNMENT: The Russian Advisory Board adjourned at 8:23 PM to a regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 beginning at 7 PM via teleconference.

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