

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
RUSSIAN ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2022**

VIA TELECONFERENCE

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Maysky called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Chair Maysky led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Diana Volman, Raisa Aguf, Lyubov Levitan, Valentina Matiji, Eugene Maysky, Vika Safrigina.

ABSENT: Ekaterina Kutepova, Alex Tolocenco, Gabriela Gershfeld.

ALSO, PRESENT: Staff liaison Tatiana Rodzinek

4. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**
SUBJECT: *The Russian Advisory Board is requested to approve the agenda.*
ACTION: Approve the Agenda of Tuesday, April 19, 2022. Motion by Member Aguf to approve the agenda, seconded by Member Levitan, motion passed by a roll call vote.
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
SUBJECT: *The Russian Advisory Board is requested to approve the minutes of the previous Russian Advisory Board meeting.*
ACTION: Approve the minutes of the March 15, 2022, Russian Advisory Board meeting. Motion by Member Levitan to approve the minutes, seconded by Member Volman, motion passed by a roll call vote.
6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**
There were no public comments.
7. **ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**
There were no items from the board.
8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
 - 8.A. **YOM HASHOAH 2022**
Subject: Board members continued discussion on the upcoming event.
Action: The board members received information from board member Volman. No action taken.
 - 8.B. **VICTORY IN EUROPE DAY/WWII MEMORIAL DAY 2022**
Subject: Board members continued discussion on the project and finalized the details.
Action: **Board members** received information from the subcommittee and virtual event producer, provided recommendations.
Member Aguf made a motion not to have music on Sunday, May 8th at the WWII Veterans Memorial. **Member Volman** seconded; motion carried by roll call vote.

8.C. WEST HOLLYWOOD FUNDRAISER FOR REFUGEES FROM UKRAINE, RUSSIAN-SPEAKING COMMUNITY AWARDS PRESENTATION

Subject: Board members continued discussion on the events

Action: The board members received information from the event producer regarding the preparation for the event, discussed categories for nominations, and the format of the Russian-speaking Community awards presentation.

Chair Maysky made a motion to create a subcommittee to work on the Awards Presentation, seconded by **member Aguf**, motion carried by a roll call vote. Members Volman, Levitan, Chair Maysky volunteered to be on the subcommittee.

8. D. UPDATE FROM LIAISONS TO OTHER BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Subject: Board members were expected to provide updates from the liaisons to other boards and commissions.

Action: There were no updates, no action taken.

8.E. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE NAME OF THE BOARD

Subject: Board members received the background information from staff.

Action: The board members discussed the idea of changing the name of the board and decided to continue discussion at their next meeting. Motion made by **Chair Maysky**, seconded by **member Volman**, motion passed by a roll call vote.

8. F. UPCOMING CULTURAL PROJECTS AND EVENTS

SUBJECT: Board members received information regarding upcoming events.

ACTION: Board members received update from staff regarding various events in the city.

9. ITEMS FROM STAFF

There were no items from staff.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Victor Omelczenko, West Hollywood resident, spoke about the information about upcoming events in the city calendar and the name of the board.

11. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS/BOARD MEMBERS

Diana Volman encouraged everyone to attend the Yom HaShoah event on Wednesday, April 27 at 2 PM.

12. ADJOURNMENT: The Russian Advisory Board adjourned at 9:12 PM to a regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, May 17, 2022, beginning at 7 PM via teleconference.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE RUSSIAN ADVISORY BOARD ON THIS 17th DAY OF MAY 2022.

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Eugene Maysky

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CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

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Tatyana Rodzinek

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