

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
TRANSGENDER ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2023 – 6:00 PM**

VIA TELECONFERENCE

The West Hollywood Transgender Advisory Board acknowledges that the land on which we gather and that is currently known as the City of West Hollywood is the occupied, unceded, seized territory of the Gabrieleño Tongva and Gabrieleño Kizh peoples.

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1. CALL TO ORDER – Chair Nash called the meeting to order at 6:09pm.

A. Land Acknowledgment –Chair Nash

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B. Pledge of Allegiance – Chair Nash

“I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.”

C. Roll Call

Present: Chair Nash, Vice-Chair Ruiz, Boardmember Brown, Boardmember Samala, Boardmember Alexander, and Boardmember Kacy.

Absent: Boardmember Gray, Boardmember Robinson, Boardmember Luna.

Also present: Moya Marquez, Community Programs Coordinator and TAB Liaison, Andi Lovano, CLA Manager, Jennifer Del Toro, CLA Supervisor, and Tatyana Rodzinek, Acting Recording Secretary.

D. Approval of the February 1, 2023 Meeting Agenda

The Board was requested to approve the February 1, 2023, Meeting Agenda as posted.

ACTION: Motion to approve agenda by Vice Chair Ruiz and seconded by Boardmember Samala. Motion passed.

E. Approval of the December 7, 2022 Meeting Minutes

The Board was requested to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2022 meeting.

ACTION: Motion to approve by **Boardmember Samala** and seconded by **Vice-Chair Ruiz** and approved 6 to 0 by roll call vote.

F. Public Comment

The public is given the opportunity to address the Board on any item within its responsibility. Speakers are limited to two minutes each. If you would like to present public comment at the meeting, please see the section titled "TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PUBLIC MEETING" on the first page of this Meeting Agenda.

There were no public comments.

2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. Spectrum Laboratory's Boys Don't Wear Dresses Film

The Board will receive a brief presentation from Spectrum Laboratory about the film "Boys Don't Wear Dresses" to ask for support from the Board in hosting a film screening.

Jason Weissbrod, spoke about his company and the film, that he wrote a script for. Jason also spoke about the screening, which was approved by the Women's Advisory Board and the Disability Advisory Board.

Board member Kacy shared his opinion about the film.

Vice Chair Ruiz explained why they wanted to get a glimpse of the film to make sure that there is nothing transphobic in it.

Chair Nash spoke about his opinion of the film and thanked Jason for providing of such an uplifting movie.

Jason Weissbrod also spoke about his organization Spectrum Laboratory and invited the board members to attend a meeting with the Disability Advisory Board the next day to talk more about the nonprofit and how they collaborate more with the City of West Hollywood

ACTION: No Action taken; a few board members endorsed the film.

B. Resource Presentations

The Board will have the opportunity to discuss with staff the list of social services providers the City contracts with for Trans-related social services.

Staff Liaison Marques said that it would be better if the representatives of social services organization come in person and provide presentations. They also reminded the board members to look at the transgender resource guide and provide feedback to the liaison directly.

ACTION: The item was postponed until the next meeting and Staff Liaison Marquez recommended that all board members provide input on the transgender resource guide.

C. Trans Day of Visibility

The Board will provide Staff with ideas on how to best celebrate and honor the Trans Day of Visibility.

Staff Liaison Marquez provided information on the last year's event. This year, the city will be changing the lanterns on Santa Monica Boulevard to be in the trans color and then fly that trans flag at key points in the city wherever we have our flag poles.

Staff Liaison Marquez suggested that the board plans the event online and focus on the Trans Joys event and planning for the resource Fair.

Vice Chair Ruiz recommended that the organizers provide Uber Eats cards or coupons so that people can sit down on camera and just eat together.

Staff Liaison Marquez will be checking on the possibility of providing food or gift cards for the event. Moya Marquez suggested that the board focus on the programming and providing names for the power point presentation ASAP.

Member Brown suggested that the board uses fresh names for the power point presentations and make it more expansive.

Chair Nash spoke about the structure of the power point presentation and spoke about the City of West Hollywood Social media platforms.

Chair Nash spoke about collage on Instagram with names to be announced at the next meeting.

Member Luna liked the idea, but also added that it is important for the board to look beyond awards and continue with the main mission of the board.

ACTION: Member Kacy made a motion to take a vote that the transgender advisory board goes ahead forward with the collage, Instagram and digital ad campaign for a transgender day of visibility along with the 25 names, names to be announced the next meeting. Seconded by member Brown. Motion passed unanimously.

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There were no public comments.

5. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

Chair Nash spoke about his service on the board and reappointments.
Member Brown spoke about education on Prep and Pep in the community.
Chair Nash wanted to adjourn the meeting in honor of Tyree Nichols.

6. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Staff Liaison Marquez informed the board that the city is planning to put together a weeklong celebration called the Lesbian and Queer Disability Week. And we're looking for anyone who is a woman lesbian identified who wants to come and sit on a subcommittee.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The Transgender Advisory Board adjourned at 6:46 p.m. to its regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, March 1, 2023, at 6:00p.m. to be held in-person at West Hollywood Plummer Park, Rooms 5 & 6, 7377 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA 90046.

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Shane Nash, Chair

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