

REGULAR MEETING OF THE
DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
CITY OF CULVER CITY,
CALIFORNIA

August 14, 2013
6:30 P.M.

FINAL

Call to Order & Roll Call

The meeting of the Disability Advisory Committee was called to order at 6:35 P.M. in the Veterans Memorial Building Uruapan Room.

Members Present: DR. JAY SHERY, Chair
ROBYN TENENSAP, Vice Chair
GRACE ELLIOTT, Member
ALEXANDER LEE, Member
DR. ROBERT MONTGOMERY, Member
MARCY SOOKNE, Member
SEAN YEE, Member
RHONDA WOLF, Member

Arrived at 7:55 pm: BARBARA EFFROS-SCHWARTZ, Member

Staff Present: Daniel Hernandez, Armando Abrego,
Darren Uhl and Cindee Zisner

PRCS Commissioners Present: Rick Hudson and Laura Stewart

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Approval of Minutes of the July 10, 2013 Special Meeting

THE DAC PASSED A MOTION TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS SPECIAL MEETING.

Receipt of Correspondence

None.

Audience Participation for Items on the Agenda

None.

Presentation Item

Item P-1

PRCS Director Daniel Hernandez thanked DAC members for their service to the community. He explained that the Disability Advisory Committee was one of four City Council appointed bodies under the purview of the PRCS Department. The others include the Parks, Recreation & Community Services

Commission, the Cultural Arts Commission, and the Fiesta La Ballona Committee. Each body functions independently, in conjunction with staff liaisons, at the will of City Council, and there is no reporting structure among the groups. However, staff liaisons and appointees may share pertinent information at meetings. He explained that the PRCS Commission holds periodic community conversations during their regular meetings where educational speakers share information about specific topics of interest to the public. PRCS Commissioners Laura Stuart and Mary Ann Green make up the subcommittee for these events.

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Action Items

Item A

Discussion and Review of Disability Film Series Event.

With approximately 90 attendees, it was agreed that the event was a success which was made special because of live guitar music as well as a live dance performance. It was mentioned that the food and beverages were appreciated by the audience. Rhonda Wolf mentioned, and members agreed that it would have been a bit smoother if there had not been a break given between the film and the filmmaker commentary; however, Phoenix Dance filmmaker Karina Epperlein provided an excellent and inspiring Q & A with the audience.

Item B

Dissolution of the Disability Film Series Ad Hoc Subcommittee.

Due to input received from City Hall leadership regarding Ad Hoc Subcommittees, the DAC discussed dissolving this subcommittee and reinstating it for time periods only as needed. Alexander Lee made and Grace Elliott seconded a motion to dissolve the Disability Film Series (AKA Community Outreach) Subcommittee. Motion carries.

Item C

Report from Exploratory Special Olympics Ad Hoc Subcommittee.

Chair Jay Shery agreed with a suggestion from staff member Armando Abrego that he make contact with Council Member Jim Clarke to clarify his thoughts regarding the Culver City's involvement in the Special Olympics World Games 2015 to be held in Los Angeles.

Item D

Discussion and Motion to Appoint DAC Chair and Vice Chair Positions.

Robert Montgomery made and Grace Elliot seconded a motion proposing that Jay Shery remain in place as the DAC Chair and Sean Yee be appointed Vice Chair. Motion carries.

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Items from Staff

Staff led a planning discussion and shared information regarding October's Disability Awareness Month. The Culver City Senior Citizens Association, Inc. has allocated \$1,000 and the Exchange Club has allocated \$1,500 for the annual carnival event to be held on Sunday, October 20.

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Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

Evelyn Santana, a staff member from Didi Hirsch Mental Health Employment Services Department, came to the meeting to do outreach and introduce herself to the committee.

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Items from Committee Members

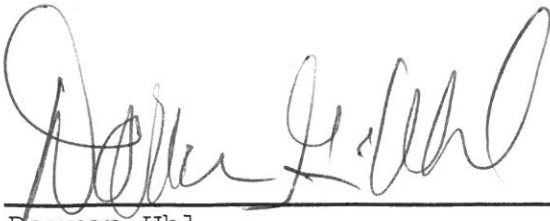
Sean Yee provided an update on his research paper which was recently published. Robyn Tenesap shared information regarding the new support group being offered through a partnership with PRCS Senior & Social Services and the Hearing Loss Association of America. Marcy Sookne mentioned planned protests of L.A. Unified School District regarding the closing of Special Education Centers.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 8:25 p.m., the DAC adjourned to the next Special meeting to be held on Wednesday, September 11, 2013 at 6:30 pm. The next Regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 9 at 6:30 pm.

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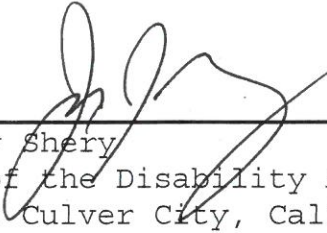


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Darren Uhl
Staff SECRETARY of the Disability Advisory Committee

APPROVED

10-9-13



Dr. Jay Shery
CHAIR of the Disability Advisory Committee
City of Culver City, California

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that, on the date below written, these minutes were filed in the Office of the City Clerk, City of Culver City, California and constitute the Official Minutes of said meeting.

Martin R. Cole
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CITY CLERK

14 OCT 2013
Date

By: _____
Assistant City Clerk