



Hollywood Now Chapter Meeting Minutes for August 15, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m. by Chapter President John Erickson.

- I. The meeting started with all attendees introducing themselves
- II. John provided a **Legislative Update** on actions the Chapter is sponsoring:
 - a. AB 569
 - b. AB 1576
 - c. SB 10 / AB 42
 - d. SB 57
 - e. SB 309
 - f. SB 562
 - g. RD Olson Construction Project

John asked members to contact him if they had any suggestions for other bills the Chapter should consider sponsoring. For more info, please see detailed information on the Hollywood NOW website.

- III. John, Karen and Yvonne provided a recap of the Chapter's participation in the recent **California NOW Conference** in Los Angeles, including John being featured as a speaker on the importance of unions and labor law for women in the workforce.
- IV. John provided an update on the Chapter's upcoming production of **The Vagina Monologues**:
 - a. Date: February 17 & 18, 2018
 - b. Time 2:00 p.m. (both days)
 - c. Place: West Hollywood City Council Chambers
 - d. Next Steps:
 - Secure co-sponsorship of key stakeholders in the City of West Hollywood (Women's Advisory Board, Lesbian and Gay Advisory Board and Transgender Advisory Board) at upcoming Board meetings (9/28/17 at 7 p.m.; 9/14/17 at 7 p.m.; and 9/6/17 at 6 p.m., respectively).
 - Submit program funding request proposal to West Hollywood City Council for Approval (meeting TBD, in October)
 - Select cast (all requests to participate should be submitted to John and Karen for review)
- V. Karen provided an update on the upcoming **LA Advocacy Training Project** that NCJW-LA is launching in September. The Chapter looked into co-sponsoring this project with NCJW but determined that, at this time, it would not be able to provide the required co-sponsorship fee of \$200. Chapter members agreed that the Chapter should "support" this project by promoting it and encouraging Chapter members to attend.
- VI. Executive Committee members shared updates on upcoming events:
 - a. Equal Means Equal screening in West Hollywood for Women's Equality Day on Friday, August 18.
 - b. Annual Stonewall BBQ on Saturday, August 19.
 - c. Cannabis Education Forum in West Hollywood on Saturday, August 26.
- VII. Chapter members and others were given the opportunity to provide updates and comments.
- VIII. John adjourned the meeting at 8:22 p.m. The next chapter meeting is scheduled for September 19 at 7:00 p.m. at Veggie Grill.