



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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Mr. John A. Hammargren
Mr. Carl E. Moore

MINUTES OF THE
SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS
REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING
MARCH 14, 2007

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Montano called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

OPENING CEREMONIES

Chair Montano led the pledge of allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

ATTENDANCE

Present

Chair Eleanor R. Montano
Vice Chair Helen H. Stathatos
Frank Bacio
Rita Hall
John A. Hammargren
Carl E. Moore

Excused Absence

Vito Cannella

Others Present

Sandra Barbee, Chief, Commission Services
Janice A. Davis, Commission Services Staff

Commissioner Frank Bacio joined the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MARCH 7, 2007 MINUTES OF REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING

On motion of Commissioner Hammargren, seconded by Commissioner Hall, and unanimously carried, the minutes of March 7th, 2007 were approved with the following corrections.

Page 3, 4th paragraph; add of *CRDF* on March 5, 2007 and.....

Page 3, 6th paragraph; change sentence to; *too much linen*.....

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Montano announced that Commissioner Stathatos, Commissioner Hall and herself attended the 22nd Annual "Women of the Year" Awards Luncheon on March 12, 2007.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Commissioner Bacio reported the current balance of the Commission's Charitable Fund is \$1,226.50.

STAFF REPORT

- Information on the Department of Mental Health's 9th Annual Multicultural Conference scheduled for May 16 & 17, 2007 was distributed.
- The Commission was asked to complete a survey regarding the Executive Office Holiday Party – December 2007.

TRANSPORTATION FOR FACILITY VISITS

Chair Montano requested vacation schedules from the Commissioners; she will arrange transportation for a date most Commissioners are available to visit facilities in the Calabasas area.

UPDATE FROM ISD ON STATUS OF REQUESTED REPAIRS

The Commission received an email from Timothy Braden, General Manager, ISD regarding the status of items discussed at the January 24, 2007 SBC meeting.

- Kenyon Justice Center – North Gate and Sally Port Gate, one gate was repaired on January 24, 2007.
- Refrigerator at Inglewood Court – the refrigerator is out of order and a hold has been placed on the order for repair. Staff will call Commander Roberts regarding this issue and report back to the Commission.

APPROVAL OF 2006 ANNUAL REPORT COVER LETTER

The final 2006 Annual Report with a cover letter to the Board of Supervisors was distributed for review. Commissioner Hammargren asked that the SBC Brochure be included with the report.

CORRESPONDENCE

Chair Montano reported on a "Los Angeles Times" article from March 14, 2007 regarding the Board of Supervisors approving an expenditure of 1.7 million to fund 90 new positions in the juvenile halls and probation camps to improve conditions.

Vice Chair Stathatos reported on a "Los Angeles Times" article from March 11, 2007 regarding the Board of Supervisors intent to appoint a new Chief Administrative Officer and a summary of each Supervisor.

FACILITY REPORTS

Temple City Station – Commissioners Cannella and Stathatos

This facility was visited on March 8, 2007, and found to be in excellent condition. The facility is having an Annual Community Open House on March 24, 2007; this event is very successful every year.

Zenith Youth Home - 113, #3 – Commissioners Hall and Moore

Verbal report only.

This facility was visited on March 8, 2007, and staff had to leave; no inspection done.

Pinnacle Foundation, Inc. – Commissioner Montano

This facility was visited on March 12, 2007, and found to be in satisfactory condition.

Areas of Concern: The staff asked Chair Montano if she had any resources or who could provide safe sex or abstinence education to the girls in this facility.

Tana Group Home - 102, #3 - Commissioner Montano

This facility was visited on March 13, 2007, and no one was found home.

Tana Group Home - 103, #1 - Commissioners Bacio, Hall, and Moore

This facility was visited on March 13, 2007, and no one was found home.

Alhambra Courts – Commissioners Cannella and Stathatos

This facility was visited on March 13, 2007, and found to be in satisfactory condition. **Areas of Concern:** Too much food, however they do distribute the overage.

NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were none.

MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA (To be presented and placed on a future agenda)

- Discussion of Sybil Brand Webpage
- Discussion of Work/Training Programs for Group Home Clients

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Montano adjourned the meeting in the memory of Ms. Gerry Schabarum at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice A. Davis
Commission Services Division