



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL
INSPECTIONS**

**500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 372
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012
<http://sbc.lacounty.gov>**

Wednesday, January 25, 2017

10:00 AM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (17-0574)

Attachments: [AUDIO](#)

Present: Chairperson Johanna Arias-Bhatia, Commissioner Donald S. Andrews, Commissioner Barbara Bigby, Commissioner Susan Burton, Commissioner Percy Duran III and Commissioner Eleanor R. Montaña

Excused: Vice Chairperson Cheryl Grills Ph.D. and Commissioner Anne S. Hill

Staff present: Roy Sinclair. (17-0575)

Call to Order. (17-0366)

Chairperson Bhatia called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Chairperson Bhatia led in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

1. Approval of the January 18, 2017 Minutes. (17-0367)

On motion of Commissioner Donald S. Andrews, seconded by Commissioner Percy Duran, III, unanimously carried, this item was approved.

Attachments: [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

II. REPORTS

2. Chairperson's Report on various items. (17-0368)

Chairperson Bhatia reported that Commissioners will receive their inspection assignments by the end of this week.

3. Staff Report on Correspondence Received and Department Representative Reports. (17-0369)

There was no report presented.

4. Commissioners' Reports on Group Home and/or Detention Facilities Inspections. (17-0370)

During the reporting period, the following group homes/facilities were reported as being in satisfactory condition:

Commissioner Andrews visited:

- Penny Lane #4 - (Valjean Street, North Hills, CA) on January 23, 2017

Commissioners Andrews and Montaña visited:

- Cerritos Sheriff Station - (Bloomfield Avenue, Cerritos, CA) on January 24, 2017.

Chairperson Bigby visited:

- Altadena Sheriff - (East Altadena Drive, Altadena, CA) on January 24, 2017.

Commissioner Duran visited:

- Heritage Group home #3 - (East Eckerman Avenue, West Covina, CA) on January 24, 2017.
- Twin Towers Facility - (Bauchet Street, Los Angeles, CA) on January 18, 2017, and noted that the facility was on security lockdown and could not be inspected.
- Men's Central Jail - (Bauchet Street, Los Angeles, CA) on January 18, 2017.

During the reporting period, the following facility was reported as being in unsatisfactory condition:

Vice Chairperson Grills and Commissioner Burton visited:

- **Century Regional Detention Facility (CRDF) (Alameda St., Lynwood, CA) on January 13, 2017.**

III. DISCUSSIONS

5. Discussion and recommendations of the SBC goals for 2017. (17-0293)

The Commission held a brief discussion regarding their goals for 2017.

After the discussion, this item was continued to the February 1, 2017 SBC meeting for the Commission to select three of the recommendations as their goals/ focus for 2017.

6. Discussion and appointments to the SBC Ad-Hoc Annual Reports Committee. (17-0294)

This item was continued to the February 1, 2017 meeting without discussion.

7. Discussion and approval of the SBC 2017 Scholarship Application, and Scholarship Program. (Continued from the meeting of January 18, 2017) (17-0295)

After a brief discussion regarding the Sybil Brand Commission 2017 scholarship program, on motion by Commissioner Susan Burton, seconded by Chairperson Johanna Arias-Bhatia, the Commission approved increasing the scholarship award amount from \$300 to \$500, and award three (3) scholarships in the amount of \$500 each, to three deserving students; and updating the 2017 scholarship application to reflect the new amount, with the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Commissioner Barbara Bigby, Chairperson Johanna Arias-Bhatia, Commissioner Susan Burton and Commissioner Percy Duran III

Noes: 2 - Commissioner Donald S. Andrews and Commissioner Eleanor R. Montañó

Excused: 2 - Vice Chairperson Cheryl Grills Ph.D. and Commissioner Anne S. Hill

8. Discussion on advance questions to submit to the Office of Child Protection.
(17-0481)

This item was continued to the February 1, 2017 meeting without discussion.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

Matters Not Posted

9. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (17-0371)

There were no items presented for a future agenda.

Public Comment

10. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (17-0372)

There were no members of the public present to address the Commission.

Adjournment

11. Adjournment for the meeting of January 25, 2017. (17-0373)

There being no further business, Chairperson Bhatia adjourned the meeting of January 25, 2017 at 11:21 a.m.