



**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, April 5, 2017

10:00 AM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (17-1699)

Attachments: [AUDIO](#)

Call to Order. (17-1544)

Chairperson Bhatia called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

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

Present: Chairperson Johanna Arias-Bhatia , Vice Chairperson Cheryl Grills Ph.D., Commissioner Barbara Bigby and Commissioner

Excused: Commissioner Percy Duran III

Staff Present: Cesar Hernandez, Roy Sinclair and April Williams. (17-1706)

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Approval of the March 29, 2017 Minutes. (17-1545)

On motion of Commissioner Barabra Bigby, seconded by Vice Chairperson Cheryl Grills, Ph.D., unanimously carried, this item was approved.

Attachments: [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

2. Discussion and appropriate action regarding the Sybil Brand Commission's 2017 Scholarship Program.

- Number of scholarships to be awarded, and amount (17-1572)

On motion of Vice Chairperson Cheryl Grills, Ph.D., seconded by Commissioner Barabra Bigby, unanimously carried, the commission approved awarding a total of three scholarships in the amount of \$500 to three students for the 2017 SBC scholarship program.

II. REPORTS

3. Chairperson's Report on various items. (17-1547)

There was no report presented.

4. Staff Report on Correspondence Received and Department Representative Reports. (17-1548)

Staff reported that the SBC 2015 annual report is being reviewed.

5. Commissioners' Reports on Group Home and/or Detention Facilities Inspections. (17-1549)

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

Commissioner Bigby visited

- **Camp McNair - (West Avenue I, Lancaster, CA) on April 3, 2017 and noted that the kitchen pantry freezer is broken; tea kettle leaks and the can goods need to be replaced.**
- **Camp Jarvis - (West Avenue I, Lancaster, CA) on April 3, 2017.**
- **Camp Smith - (West Avenue I, Lancaster, CA) on March 30, 2017.**
- **Camp Onizuka - (West Avenue I, Lancaster, CA) on March 30, 2017.**

NOT HOME.

Vice Chairperson Grills, Ph.D., visited

- **Dangerfield Group Home III - (West 73rd Street, Los Angeles, CA) on April 5, 2017.**

III. DISCUSSIONS

6. Discussion and approval of revisions to the Sybil Brand Commission Bylaws, Article VI "Meetings", Section 1 Regular Commission Meetings, and Article VII "Attendance", Section 1 Commission Meeting Requirements . (Continued from the meeting of March 1, 2017) (17-0958)

On motion of Vice Chairperson Cheryl Grills, Ph.D., seconded by Commissioner Barbara Bigby, unanimously carried, the Commission approved revisions to the Sybil Brand Commission Bylaws, Article VI "Meetings", Section 1 Regular Commission Meetings, and Article VII "Attendance", Section 1 Commission Meeting Requirements.

7. Discussion and appropriate action amending the Sybil Brand Commission meeting schedule for 2017. (Continued from the Meetings of 2/22/17 and 3/1/17) (17-0954)

On motion of Vice Chairperson Cheryl Grills, Ph.D., seconded by Commissioner Barbara Bigby, unanimously carried, the Commission approved amending the Sybil Brand Commission meeting schedule for 2017. Meetings will be held on the first and third Wednesday of each month beginning May 3, 2017.

8. Discussion and recommendations of the SBC goals for 2017. (Continued from the meetings of 1/25/17, 2/1/17, 3/1/17 and 3/29/17) (17-0293)

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

After discussion, on motion of Vice Chairperson Cheryl Grills, Ph.D., seconded by Commissioner Susan Burton, unanimously carried, the Commission approved the following goals for 2017:

- **Assess access to and effectiveness of education and alternative programming in the jails and juvenile camps;**
- **Review quality and access of medical services in LA County jails; and**
- **Monitor the transition of group homes to Short Term Residential Treatment Centers (STRTC) and its impact across supervisorial districts.**

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. (17-1550)

There were no items presented for 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. (17-1551)

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

Adjournment

11. Adjournment for the meeting of April 5, 2017. (17-1552)

There being no future business, Chairperson Bhatia adjourned the meeting of March 29, 2017 at 11:01 a.m.