



STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
WOMEN AND GIRLS INITIATIVE
GOVERNING COUNCIL
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 372
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012



Wednesday, June 27, 2018

1:00 PM

Present: Chair Araceli Campos, Vice Chair Sharon Shelton, Kafi Blumenfield, Wendy Greuel, Jan Perry, Dr. Carmen Schaye, Kathy Spillar, Bea Stotzer, Jane Templin and Jai Lee Wong

Absent: Anita DeFrantz, Alice S. Petrossian and Angela Underwood-Jacobs

Audio for entire meeting. (18-4147)

Attachments: [Hyperlink](#)

1. Call to order and roll call. (18-3338)

The meeting was called to order at 1:06 p.m. Nicole Bryant, Administrative Coordinator, called the Roll.

PRESENTATION

2. Presentation: **Sexual violence-Panel Discussion Patti Giggans**, Executive Director, Peace Over Violence; **Detective III Will Ortiz**, LAPD, lead detective and investigator for all SART cases at Stuart House; **Andrea Welsing, MPH** Director, Injury and Violence Prevention Program LA County and **Cristy Guyovich**, Division Chief for LASD. (18-3339)

A panel discussion was conducted on sexual violence, facilitated by the following individuals:

Patti Giggans, Executive Director, Peace Over Violence; Detective III Will Ortiz, LAPD, lead detective and investigator for all SART cases at Stuart House; Nicole Perris, Lead, Injury and Violence Prevention Program LA County; and Cristy Guyovich, Division Chief for LASD.

The participants discussed their expertise and experience in their field of operation, needed resources, various available programs and facilities, and

the envisioned future. Participants answered questions posed by the Governing Council.

Genevieve Clavreul addressed the Governing Council.

ACTION ITEMS

3. Recommendation: Approve the May 23, 2018 meeting minutes. (18-3340)

On motion of Member Templin, seconded by Member Greuel, unanimously carried (Members DeFrantz, Petrossian and Underwood-Jacobs being absent), the minutes from the meeting of May 23, 2018 were approved.

Attachments: [05-23-28 Minutes](#)

4. Recommendation: Adopt change to the By-laws regarding meeting schedule. (18-3341)

On motion of Member Stotzer, seconded by Member Wong, duly carried by the following vote, the Women and Girls Initiative Governing Council adopted a change to the By-laws regarding the regular meeting schedule from every fourth Wednesday of the month to every fourth Monday of the month:

Ayes: 10 - Chair Araceli Campos, Vice Chair Sharon Shelton, Kafi Blumenfield, Wendy Greuel, Jan Perry, Dr. Carmen Schaye, Kathy Spillar, Bea Stotzer, Jane Templin and Jai Lee Wong

Absent: 3 - Anita DeFrantz, Alice S. Petrossian and Angela Underwood-Jacobs

Attachments: [Amended By-laws](#)

5. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair.
(18-3342)

Executive Director Land opened the floor to nominations for Chair and Vice Chair.

On motion of Member Greuel, seconded by Member Blumenfield, duly carried by the following vote, Member Araceli Campos was elected as Chair and Member Sharon Shelton was elected as Vice Chair.

Ayes: 10 - Chair Araceli Campos, Vice Chair Sharon Shelton, Kafi Blumenfield, Wendy Greuel, Jan Perry, Dr. Carmen Schaye, Kathy Spillar, Bea Stotzer, Jane Templin and Jai Lee Wong

Absent: 3 - Anita DeFrantz, Alice S. Petrossian and Angela Underwood-Jacobs

REPORTS/UPDATES

6. Executive Director Report (Abbe Land):
- a. Gender Implicit Bias Training: Award of MHSA funding. (Receive and File)
 - b. Ad-Hoc Committees Update. Committees, if any, will restructure after the July meeting. (18-3343)

Executive Director, Abbe Land, reported on Gender Implicit Bias Training, and informed the Governing Council that the WGI in partnership with the Department of Human Resources (DHR) was able to apply for a training grant through the Mental Health Services Act. Through the awarded grant funds, pre-programed webinars for the County's E-learning Network on gender equity implicit bias training will be available. In continued partnership with DHR more robust programs will be developed in the future.

Dr. Ferrer, Director of Public Health, recently informed Ms. Land, that a newly developed program will provide home visits to new mothers by Public Health Nurses. Ms. Land and Dr. Ferrer discussed how gender bias training can be incorporated into the new program.

Ms. Land also reported on the WGI Strategic Plan, with an emphasis on the incorporation of time-sensitive and issue-focused topics with a clear path for achievement.

Member Spillar reported on the activities of the Public Safety Ad hoc Committee and informed that the Committee met twice, focusing on the gender inequity of the Sheriff's Department, currently at 82% in favor of males. National and international research has shown that female officers bring a special dimension in responding to domestic violence and sexual assault reports. Also, there is a direct correlation between having female officers visible in a community and a drop in reported assaults over time.

7. Annual WGI Governing Retreat

Update from Retreat Ad-hoc committees (Comments, Receive and File, or possible action on Retreat location and schedule). Oral report with feedback. (18-3352)

Executive Director, Abbe Land, informed the Governing Council that the Retreat will be held at the Virginia Robinson Gardens in Beverly Hills, on Monday, July 23, 2018 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., and that an invitation has been extended to Fesia Davenport from the CEO's Office. Time at the Retreat will be used to develop a Strategic Plan and to address "weighted" issues that have a path to move forward.

Ms. Land thanked the Ad hoc Retreat Subcommittee for their help in planning the Retreat, and discussion ensued relative to measurable goals. Ms. Land answered questions posed by Council Members.

8. Research Update (Jackie Filla): (Receive and File)

- Climate Survey
- Gender Free Language Handbook (18-3346)

Research Director, Jackie Filla, presented a report on the Climate Survey and on the Gender Free Language Handbook. Ms. Filla informed that the Climate Survey has been delayed in order to ensure that all County departments are able to receive the survey through the delivery mechanism. Ms. Filla informed that various preview events are being developed so that the survey is preceded by announcements.

Ms. Filla also reported that the process of creating a Gender Free Language Handbook is being finalized, and that she will continue to work with the Department of Human Resources in this effort. Ms. Filla and Ms. Land answered questions posed by the Governing Council members.

9. Communications & Outreach Update (Imelda Padilla): (Receive and File)

- Social Media
- Community Activities (18-3349)

Imelda Padilla, Community Outreach Director, provided a report on the activity on the various social media platforms during the months of March through June, and encouraged the Council members to continue to post across the platforms on a daily basis.

Ms. Padilla informed that there will be major changes to the WGI website, and explained the changes to the main page as well as the meetings and reports pages.

MISCELLANEOUS

10. Announcements (18-3354)

Chair Campos informed that a new member will be appointed by Fifth District Supervisor Janice Hahn: Ms. Meghan Ginley, Director of Government and Community Relations, Jesse Unruh Institute of Politics, University of Southern California.

Chair Campos also made a brief announcement that WGI will be hosting workshops at the National Association of Commissions for Women's Conference, to be held August 1 through 4, 2018.

11. Public Comment (*Two Minutes allotted time*) (18-3355)

The following members of the public addressed the Governing Council:

- **Lisa Foster and Adriana Garcia – US Vets – Women Vets on Point**
- **Danielle Hanne – US Vets**
- **Melissa Alvarado – World Financial Group**
- **Genevieve Clavreul**
- **Marge Nichols – League of Women Voters La County**
- **Suzette Shaw**

12. Adjournment (18-3356)

The meeting was adjourned at 3:09 p.m.