



## COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS  
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FOUNDER  
Mrs. Sybil Brand

CHAIRPERSON  
Mrs. Eleanor R. Montaño

VICE CHAIRPERSON  
Mr. Frank S. Bacio

Ms. Barbara Bigby  
Ms. Rita Hall  
Mr. John A. Hammargren  
Mrs. Anne S. Hill  
Mr. Carl E. Moore

### MINUTES OF THE SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING OCTOBER 7, 2009

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Montaño called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

#### OPENING CEREMONIES

Chair Montaño led in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

#### ATTENDANCE

##### Present

Chair Eleanor R. Montaño  
Vice Chair Frank Bacio  
Barbara Bigby (temporarily absent)  
Rita Hall (temporarily absent)  
John A. Hammargren  
Anne S. Hill

##### Excused Absence

Carl Moore

##### Staff, Commission Services

Twila P. Kerr  
Garen Khachian

#### APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2009 MEETING MINUTES

**On motion of Commissioner Hammargren, seconded by Vice-Chair Bacio and unanimously carried, the minutes of the meeting of September 30, 2009 were approved with the following corrections:**

On page 3 under "New Business/Announcement,"

Commissioner Moore announced that he will ~~not be attending~~ attend all business meetings and regular weekly meetings on an as needed basis due to insurance issues. ~~Sybil Brand weekly meetings due to insurance issues. However, he will continue to attend monthly business meetings as needed.~~

On page 3 under "Public Comment,"

Commissioner Bacio reported the following: "He plans to attend the Tuesday, October 9 6, 2009, Community Advisory Committee meeting."

### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Chair Montaña reported the following:

- She attended "Ending Violence Against Women, Making It Happen Los Angeles Policy Summit 2009" held on October 6, 2009 at The California Endowment Center for Healthy Communities. Keynote speakers were Wendy Gruel, Los Angeles City Controller and Senator Gloria Romero, Senate Majority Leader. One of the topics discussed was "Human Trafficking."
- Shared a photograph of her niece Principal Rosie Martinez with President Obama during a visit to "Los Angeles Unified School District".

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Commissioner Bacio reported that the current balance of the Commission's Charitable Fund is \$1,501.93.

### **CORRESPONDENCE/AUDIT REPORT**

- The Nexus XIV Training Conference will be held on October 21, 2009 at the Sheraton Universal Hotel in Universal City, CA.
- The Children's Institute Inc. Summer 2009 Newsletter was received.

### **DISCUSSION ON COMMISSION'S ANNUAL HOLIDAY LUNCHEON**

Following discussion, this item was continued to the next Commission meeting.

### **FACILITY/GROUP HOME INSPECTION REPORTS FROM SEPTEMBER 30, 2009 TO OCTOBER 6, 2009**

#### **Olive Crest Treatment Center – 32, #4 – Commissioner Montaña**

The facility was visited on September 28, 2009, and found to be in satisfactory condition.

#### **Fred Jefferson Memorial Home – 21, #3 – Commissioners Bacio and Hall**

The facility was visited on October 1, 2009, and found to be in satisfactory condition.

#### **Lifecircles Group Home – 27, #2 – Commissioners Bigby and Hill**

The facility was visited on October 2, 2009; unable to inspect, no one was home.

#### **Heritage Group Home – 24, #1 – Commissioners Montaña and Hammargren**

The facility was visited on October 5, 2009, and found to be in need of improvement.

**Areas of Concern:** Replace toilet seat, kitchen sink and cabinet floor underneath the sink. Fix fireplace access. Clean garage and back yard. Dryer in the garage needs to be vented to the outside. Bedrooms are messy and need to be cleaned up. Replace the front tires of the van.

**Hillsides Home For Children – 24, #3 – Commissioners Bigby and Hill**

The facilities were visited on October 6, 2009, and found to be in satisfactory condition.

**Casa Esperanza Treatment Center – 49, #1– Commissioner Hammargren**

The Facility was visited on October 6, 2009, and found to be in satisfactory condition.

**Walnut Sheriff’s Station – Commissioners Hall and Moore**

The facility was visited on October 6, 2009, and found to be in satisfactory condition.

**Area of Concern:** No boots and hoods on the turnout gear.

**NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Commissioner Bacio attended the Community Advisory Committee Meeting for Hacienda La Puente Unified School District held on Tuesday, October 6, 2009. The Adult Education’s Vocational and Technical Training Program has been allocated \$9 million from the Sheriff’s Departments “Inmate Welfare Fund” for the 2009-2010 academic year.

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

Tierra Del Sol Scholarship.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was none.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Montaño adjourned the meeting at 10:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Twila P. Kerr*  
Commission Services Division