

APPROVED MINUTES

Submitted by Geoff Maleman

Tuesday, July 1, 2008 - 6:30 p.m.
Westchester Council Community Room
7166 Manchester Avenue, Westchester, CA 90045

Present: Mike Arias, William Ballerini, Sibyl Buchanan, David Coffin, Steve Donell, Don Doyle, Doug Ehlers, James Ferro, Tom Flintoft, Terry Issac, Cyndi Hench, Patricia Lyon, Geoff Maleman, Terry Marcellus, Nora MacLellan, John Ramey, John Ruhlen, Denny Schneider, Frances Stronks, Mary Taylor, David Voss, and John David Webster.

Excused: Stephen Bentley, Judith Ciancimino

Absent: Robert Dalton, David Gray, Clarence Griffin, Richard Nelsen, Nancy Niles, Kathy Bartlow-Santos

- A. Call to Order **by Vice President Stronks at 6:37 p.m.**
- B. Pledge of Allegiance -- David Coffin
- C. Appointment of Jack Topal to fill vacant At-large Board Seat (No. 16) **M/Ballerini, S/Buchanan: Motion passes unanimously**
- D. Approval of Minutes of June 3, 2008 Board meeting **M/Webster, S/Taylor: Motion passes unanimously**
- E. Public Comment - non-agenda items (limited to 2 minutes per speaker)
 - Raymond Yu commented on various Fourth of July Parades
 - Carlos Carreon (Santa Monica Baykeeper) spoke about the Adopt-A-Highway beach litter prevention task force event from 9-12 p.m. on August 2
- F. Representative Reports (limit to 3 minutes please):
 1. Lisette Covarrubias, DONE Project Coordinator, presented
 2. Chad Molnar, LAX - Community Liaison presented
 3. Rebecca Bernal, Field Representative - Assemblymember Curren Price presented
 4. Edgar Saenz, Field Representative/Congresswoman Maxine Waters
- G. Presentations: (limited to 5 minutes unless prior approval for additional time given)
 1. Neighborhood Council Self Assessment (Stronks)
 2. Update on NCWP Community Event and Volunteer assignments
(Taylor/Buchanan)
- H. Motions/Actions Items: (Public comment on agenda items limited to 2 minutes)

Consent Calendar: (These items will be enacted with one vote unless a Board member or a stakeholder requests that an item be placed on the Discussion Calendar.)

 1. Motion to approve reimbursement of Board member expenditures **M/Hench, S/Webster reimbursements not to exceed \$120 to Cyndi Hench and \$120 to Frances Stronks for meeting costs Motion passes unanimously.**

Discussion Calendar: (These items will be discussed and acted upon separately unless a Board member or a stakeholder requests that an item be transferred to the Consent Calendar.)

 1. Motion to renew fiscal year 2007-2008 funding in connection with the previously approved motion to spend up to \$15,000 for repairs and furnishings for the Los Angeles Fire Stations in the NCWP area, i.e., Stations 5, 67 and 95 (Hench) **M/ Schneider, S/Buchanan. Motion passes unanimously.**
 2. Motion to approve \$2,500 as partial funding for a tractor by Westchester Babe Ruth to be used to maintain the facilities in a safe condition. This

amount is the balance of funds previously approved by the NCWP but not funded within the previous fiscal year (Hench) **M/Hench, S/Buchanan: Motion passes unanimously.**

3. Motion to support the application of Chalet Edelweiss for a conditional use permit - Alcohol (CUP) at 8740 S. Sepulveda Blvd., and prepare an appropriate letter thereon (Ferro). Janelle Williams spoke in favor of the motion on behalf of the applicant, Stefan Bachofner, and answered questions from members of the board. **M/Ferro, S/Stronks: Motion passes unanimously.**

4. Motion to support and endorse a governance model for member schools of the LMU family of schools based on that of the Palisades Charter High School in which equal numbers of seats are allocated to teachers, parents of current students and community members who live or work within the geographic boundaries of the school (Marcellus) **M/Marcellus, S/Lyon: Motion passes unanimously.**

I. Committee Reports:

Standing Committees

1. Airport Relations - David Coffin – did not have quorum at last meeting
2. Budget & Finance - Cyndi Hench (Approval of Treasurer's Report)
M/Hench, S/Coffin: Motion passes unanimously.
3. Bylaws - David Voss
4. Communications - David Coffin
5. Education - Terry Marcellus
6. Elections - David Coffin
7. Governmental Affairs/City Services - John Ramey
8. Membership/Marketing - Sibyl Buchanan
9. Planning & Land Use - James Ferro
10. Public Safety - Doug Ehlers

Ad Hoc Committees

1. Lincoln Streetscape - Stephen Bentley
2. Sepulveda Streetscape - John Ruhlen
3. Community Design Overlay - Bill Ballerini
4. Entrada - Bill Ballerini

City/Neighborhood Council Committees

1. LANC Congress - Robert Dalton/Judith Ciancimino (alt.)
2. City Planning Task Force - David Gray; James Ferro (alt.)
3. NC Alliance - Cyndi Hench
4. Mayor's Budget Day - Denny Schneider/Bill Ballerini (alt.)
5. City Attorney Legal Liaison - David Voss
6. LADWP MOU - John-David Webster

J. President's Discussion Items or Comments

1. Policies and Procedures Handbook status and input
2. Committee assignments
3. Standing Committee scheduled meetings

K. Other Items:

1. Conflict of Interest On-line Training: www.lacityneighborhoods.com and www.done.ethicstraining@lacity.org
2. Neighborhood Empowerment Academy workshops: www.lacityneighborhoods.com/empowerment_academy.htm

L. Announcements:

1. BONC meetings now held on the 1st Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. and every 3rd Thursday at 6:00 p.m. of the month
2. Next NCWP Board meeting: August 5, 2008 at 6:30 p.m.
3. Other announcements

M. Adjournment **President Arias adjourned the meeting at 8:06 p.m. until the next scheduled NCWP Board meeting on August 5, 2008.**