

# APPROVED MINUTES

*Submitted by Geoff Maleman*

**Tuesday, October 7, 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, , Tom Flintoft, David Gray, Clarence Griffin, Cyndi Hench, Terry Issac, Patricia Lyon, Geoff Maleman, Terry Marcellus, Nora MacLellan, Nancy Niles, Paul Radke, John Ramey, John Ruhlen, Denny Schneider, Mary Taylor, Jack Topal, and John David Webster.

**Excused:** Stephen Bentley, James Ferro

**Absent:** Judith Ciancimino Richard Nelsen, Kathy Bartlow-Santos, Frances Stronks, David Voss

- A. Call to Order **by President Arias at 6:38 p.m.**
- B. Pledge of Allegiance – Geoff Maleman
- C. Approval of Minutes of September 2, 2008 Board meeting **M/Ramey, S/MacLellan: Motion passes unanimously**
- D. Public Comment - non-agenda items (limited to 2 minutes per speaker)
  - Raymond Yu commented on various city events
  - Bryce Elder spoke about the LMU student parties happening on Gonzaga Ave.
  - Victor Caruso spoke about the LMU student parties happening on Gonzaga Ave.
  - Maya Mahue spoke about the LMU student parties happening on Gonzaga Ave.
  - Pat Downing spoke about the LMU student parties happening on Gonzaga Ave.
  - Tom Konkel spoke about the LMU student parties happening on Gonzaga Ave.
  - Bryce Elder spoke about the LMU student parties happening on Gonzaga Ave.
  - Robert Wedlock of LAFD Station No. 5 thanked the NCWP Board for its support in purchasing new equipment, etc. for the station
  - LMU ASB President John O'Conner spoke about the LMU student parties happening on Gonzaga Ave.
  - LMU representative Clarence Griffin spoke about the university's response to the LMU student parties
  - Senior Lead LAPD Tony Ramos spoke about the LAPD's involvement with LMU student parties
  - Cyndi Hench spoke about the efforts of the LMU Task Force
  - Hampton Cantrell, chief of public safety at LMU, spoke about the university's response – LMU will be hiring community safety officers to work on this issue specifically
  - John Ramey, City Services Committee chair, spoke about his committee's efforts regarding this issue
  - Discussion was held among the Board
- E. Representative Reports (limit to 3 minutes please):
  1. Lisette Covarrubias, DONE Project Coordinator, presented
  2. Rebecca Bernal, Field Representative - Assemblymember Curren Price presented
- F. Presentations: (limited to 5 minutes unless prior approval for additional time given)
  1. "Great California Shake Out" Earthquake Drill on Nov. 13-16 – Cyndi Hench
- G. 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 endorse that the composition for the Governance Council at Westchester High School consist of the following: Five (5) teachers; five

(5) parents or guardians of current students; five (5) persons residing or working within the attendance boundaries of the school; one (1) classified employee; and the principal AND that the School Site Council (SSC), mandated by the Education Code, and the Local Leadership Council referred to in Article 27 of the UTLA contract, shall exist as subcommittees of the Governance Council - (Marcellus)

2. Motion to approve the expenditure of no more than \$5,000 to pay Moore Business Results to redesign the NCWP website (Coffin)

3. Motion to renew previously approved motion (Sept 2007) to spend up to \$3000 for the purchase of irrigation equipment to the low bid contractor for the first phase of the Trees to the Sea Imperial Highway project (Hench)

President Arias moved the above items (1-3) to Consent. **Approval of Consent Calendar M/Webster, S/Taylor 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.) No items remained on the Discussion Calendar.

H. Committee Reports:

Standing Committees

1. Airport Relations - David Coffin
2. Budget & Finance - Cyndi Hench (Approval of Treasurer's Report)

**M/Hench, S/Webster: 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
5. Policies and Procedures Handbook - Clarence Griffin

City/Neighborhood Council Committees

1. LANC Congress – Paul Radke/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
7. Westside Regional Alliance of NCs – J.D. Webster/Cyndi Hench/Jack

Topal

8. 5 NC Working Group on Development and Transportation –Nora MacLellan

I. President's Discussion Items or Comments

1. Committee assignments
2. Standing Committee scheduled meetings
3. What is our purpose and role?

J. Other Items:

1. Conflict of Interest On-line Training: [www.lacityneighborhoods.com](http://www.lacityneighborhoods.com) and

[www.done.ethicstraining@lacity.org](http://www.done.ethicstraining@lacity.org)

2. Neighborhood Empowerment Academy workshops:  
[www.lacityneighborhoods.com/empowerment\\_academy.htm](http://www.lacityneighborhoods.com/empowerment_academy.htm)

K. 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: November 4, 2008 at 6:30 p.m.
3. Other announcements

L. Adjournment **President Arias adjourned the meeting at 8:06 p.m. until the next scheduled NCWP Board meeting on November 4, 2008.**