

A recording of the Zoom meeting can be found at: bit.ly/Zoom041324

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and determination of a quorum.
Members of the committee: Judy Diamond, Betsy Manchester, Christopher Meredith, Barbara Nitkin (Alternate), Carl Petersen (Chair), and Ken Ross (Alternate).

Called to order at 9:13 AM

**Diamond, Manchester, Meredith, and Petersen were present.
Ross was also present, but there were no available spots for him.
A quorum was achieved.**

2. Approve Minutes from the March meeting. Can be found at: bit.ly/Minutes030924

Meredith moved to approve. Manchester seconded. Passed 4-0-0

3. Comments/Reports from Representatives of Public Officials. **None present.**
4. Discussion and possible motion about holding a candidate forum for the November election.

**Moved by: Betsy Manchester
Seconded by: Judy Diamond
Passed: 4:0:0**

The NENC Education Committee will hold a virtual Candidate Forum for LAUSD BD3 on September 14, 2024, at 9:00 AM as part of its September Brown Act-compliant special meeting.

5. Discussion and possible motion about the issues caused by overcrowding at the Porter Ranch Community School.

**Letter sent on April 5th to the Chair of the PRNC Neighborhood Council. No response.
Send followup and include PRNC President.**

6. Discussion and possible motion about Neighborhood Purposes Grant Application from Andasol Avenue Elementary School for a mural on school library exterior wall in the amount of \$5,000.

We have not received the updated paperwork.

7. Discussion and possible motion about a request to support the Granada Hills Rotary's scholarship program.

Request for assistance presented to Committee. Under the law, we can not fund the scholarship directly, but we would be willing to consider helping in other ways.

No action was taken.

8. Announcement: The North Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce is presenting a Heroes in Education award: bit.ly/NVRCC-heroes
9. Update on the NPG approved by the NENC for the Balboa Spirit Club in the amount of \$3,000.

NPG has been funded.

10. Discussion and possible action on the motion passed by the NENC Board: “The NENC Education Committee recommends that the NENC Board ask the LA City Council to support the passage of the proposed LAUSD resolution: Improving Special Education Within the LAUSD” bit.ly/SpEdRes221218

Schmerelson’s office has asked for a more limited version which was presented. No further action has been taken by his office.

11. Update on the motion passed by the NENC Board: “The NENC expresses concern about dramatic changes affecting the LAUSD's most vulnerable students including the elimination of Primary Promise from many schools and removing the option of special education day classes and special education centers. These changes were made without input from their parents or the community.”

No updates.

12. Discussion and possible motion on the amount past due by charter schools for overallocation fees. As of **June 30, 2023**, the balance is \$3,708,006. bit.ly/Overallocation230630.
2001 Email from Jose Cole-Gutierrez regarding updates: bit.ly/PROP39_Updates

Send an email to Cole-Gutierrez requesting an update.

13. Discussion and possible motion(s) about issues related to student safety, including but not limited to:
 - a. Dangerous traffic conditions on streets around our local schools.
 - b. Fentanyl/opioid crisis.
 - c. Copper wire thefts.

Repaved around Dearborn and Holmes.

New speed bumps on Prairie.

Redoing crosswalk striping.

Extending traffic lights by Northridge Academy.

14. Discussion and possible motion about the expansion of the EnrichLA program into Dearborn Elementary and Balboa Magnet schools.

No update.

15. Discussion and possible motions about PROP-39, state legislation to improve charter school accountability, and other charter school issues.

The government is giving Charter Schools special funding for real estate costs even though public schools are not entitled to this funding source.

Granada Hills Charter spun off its ownership of the former Pinecrest campus and now pays rent to this separate LLC. This rent is then reimbursed by the State.

16. Discussion and possible motion about Ken Ross' proposed LAUSD "Feeder Program" into CSUN for their STEAM Program.

Ross requested help from committee members in pushing his proposal to elected officials. Committee members asked for an email detailing exactly what is needed.

17. Update on outreach for the NPGs related to education during the next fiscal year.

No updates.

18. Update on the motion passed by the NENC Board: "In light of the events that occurred at Saticoy Elementary School on June 2, 2023, the NENC urges the City of Los Angeles to support the LAUSD's efforts at promoting inclusion and diversity."

Letter sent to the LA City Council Neighborhoods and Community Enrichment Committee:
bit.ly/LetterToCityCouncil_Saticoy

Send a follow-up to the original email.

19. Public Comments from stakeholders for non-agenda items. **None**
20. Recommendations or requests to be added as a committee member. **None**
21. Set a date and location for the next meeting and receive ideas for future agenda items.

May 11 at 9:00.

22. Adjournment **10:29**