

July 10, 2023 NENC Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order; Determination of Quorum (Members: Bailey, Diamond, Mills, Thiroux; Alternate: Ross)

Call to order at 4:38

Present: Bailey, Mills, Thiroux (quorum reached)

Excused: Diamond

Not present: Ross (alternate)

2. Review/Approve Executive Committee Meeting Minutes: June 12, 2023 and any prior meetings

Motion to approve the Executive Committee Meeting minutes for June 12, 2023: Thiroux;

Second: Mills

3-0-0 Pass

3. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items within Committee's subject matter jurisdiction (up to two minutes per speaker) **None**

4. Board Member Training Compliance (Ethics, Funding, Code of Conduct, Anti-Bias (ABLE), Gender Expression and Gender Identity, Planning 101); Attendance and Vacancy updates; Recusals **All board members are in compliance except for Will (if he wishes to return to the board)**

5. Review Draft Board Meeting Minutes - June 21, 2023 (pending as of 7/7/23) **None received at the time of this meeting**

6. Resumption of in-person meetings, including future Executive Committee and Board meetings - possible MOTION

a. Update on selected and potential additional venues for in-person Board and Committee meetings **Glenn moved many items not immediately needed for meetings from Northridge Women's Club to the storage space. NENC is on the Women's Club calendar for general board meetings for the rest of 2023. The availability of the MP room in the Northridge Rec Center for executive meetings is not super consistent due to classes and other events. We approved the possible move of executive meetings to Devonshire House at our last meeting.**

b. DONE 1/27/23 report back on viable NC meeting options (CF 22-1070) - possible MOTION **Nothing else to report on this.**

7. Set Agenda for July 19, 2023 Board Meeting; agenda deadline 7/13/23

a. Presentations: Street Tree Inventory - Urban Forestry Division (pending) **Confirmation from Urban Forestry Division still pending. They could present on Zoom and distribute print copies of their slideshow presentation for attendees to view.**

b. NENC Committee Items: Education, Homelessness, Planning and Land Use, Sustainability, etc.

i. Additional members needed for some Committees

Motion brought forward by the Education Committee:

Moved by: Christopher Meredith

Seconded by: Betsy Manchester

Passed: 3:0:0

The NENC Education Committee recommends that the NENC Board pass the following motion for communication to the City Council's Neighborhoods and Community Enrichment Committee: "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."

New planning and land use case for consideration: multi-story apartment building at Halsted/Zelzah

Barbara and Sydney have discussed priorities for Public Safety that Sydney will report on during the next board meeting to attract committee members.

The goal is to eventually have 5 members on each committee.

- c. Council File items for possible Community Impact Statements; DONE Legislative Reports
 - i. CF 23-1200-S130 Jamie York / City Ethics Commission / Commission Appointment - **MOTION Motion to support the appointment of Jamie York by Controller Mejia to the City Ethics Commission: Mills**
Second: Bailey
3-0-0 Pass
 - d. Other items, including any items pending from prior Board meetings or topics below; refreshments **Refreshments seem to work well. Glenn made signs for each of the pizza toppings and distributes leftovers to volunteers and attendees. Stephanie volunteered to dispose of empty pizza boxes in her green bin at home. Stephanie also suggested bringing back the candy bowl.**
 - e. Informational: Caltrans 118 Freeway Reseda Boulevard westbound offramp update **Construction work still in progress as the offramp remains open. Stephanie and Sydney will prepare informational items related to Back to School.**
 - f. Possible Future Speakers: CSUN Chief of Police Services; new elected officials/representatives? **Councilmember John Lee may speak at a general meeting soon. Myrka is working on certificates for outgoing NENC board members.**
8. Reports of DONE, NENC Officers and NENC Committees including review of previous Board meeting, etc.
- a. NENC Monthly Update; GM's Messages; NEA Octaviano Rios; BONC; City Clerk **BONC North Valley Commissioner resigned; contact Mayor's office if interested in the position**
 - i. BONC: Draft Code of Conduct 4/13/23 update; Ad Hoc meetings held 5/20/23 & 5/30/23 **No further action taken**
 - b. Administrative items, including updates related to actions taken at previous NENC Board meetings

- i. President: Northridge Woman's Club, storage space (more items moved in), mailbox, projector screen, flagpole stand, laptop computer (and case) and external hard drives updates **Still no flagpole stand. Extra A-frame and many boxes of promo items now in storage space. Glenn purchased new laptop and may donate a laptop bag for it. He also purchased 2 hard drives and offered one to Stephanie to store her NENC-related files, and is considering buying cases for those hard drives.**
 - ii. Pending State legislation SB 411 (Portantino) related to CF 23-0002-S16 and CF 23-0002-S17 **Coming up in committee Wednesday morning 7/12**
 - iii. Board Retreat possible dates, times and locations **Northridge Park, Fire Station, Women's Club (limited availability on weekends). July 29, 30; August 5, 6**
 - c. NC Funding Program update including Treasurer's Report - June 2023 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) and approved and pending Neighborhood Purposes Grants **Glitches in May 2023 MER have been resolved. May be included on this month's agenda for the board to approve again. June 2023 MER has not been generated yet.**
 - i. Status of expenditures previously authorized for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 and possible re-authorization for Fiscal Year 2023-2024, if necessary **Majority of expenditures have cleared.**
 - ii. Pending and potential NPGs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 for consideration beginning in July **Pending NPGs from NAHS and Darby that will be referred to Education Committee**
 - d. Outreach: New outreach items received, website, social media, bus bench ads and mailing updates **No need to purchase more outreach items at this time as all brand colors are represented. Committees need to be updated on the website. Stephanie suggested we look into the city's stance on Threads and consider creating an Instagram/Threads account. If we want to pursue bus bench/shelter advertising, we will need to re-authorize it. Printer has received payment from us for bulk mailing and we will solicit input from the board on the content of this mailing.**
 - e. Dearborn Park: Maintenance, signage and enforcement - update **Many warnings, but no citations, distributed. There are new members of the Recreation and Parks Commission that may take a stronger stance on Dearborn Park issues.**
 - f. Beautification: Considering clean ups during this Fiscal Year - possible MOTION **Waiting for Brian to complete documentation for a beautification event**
9. NENC Committee (including land use cases updates), Liaison and NC Alliance reports **Upcoming VANC meeting Thursday 7/13; possible upcoming WVNAH steering committee meeting**
 10. Upcoming NC meetings and events - Committee member announcements and future agenda requests **Stephanie mentioned the availability of the 311 app for reporting graffiti at parks**
 11. Adjournment - Next Executive Committee Meeting: August 8, 2023 (in-person) **Adjourned at 6:16 pm**