

CITY OF LOS ANGELES California



ELECTED EXECUTIVE BOARD

Steve S. Patel – President
Don Dwiggins– 1st Vice President, Membership
Peter J. McCarty – 2nd Vice President, Outreach
Barry M. Greenberg – Secretary
Kelly M. Lord – Treasurer

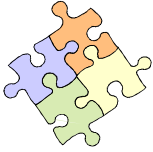
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Yeprem Davoodian Alice N. McCain
Jay Draiman Lucille Meehan
Nestor Fantini Steven Ramirez

Stephen Hubbard

APPOINTED BOARD MEMBERS

Brittany McCarthy – CSUN Faculty/Staff
Conor P. Lansdale – CSUN Student
Michael McNulty– Youth



Northridge East Neighborhood Council

Making Northridge a Better Place to Live, Work, Play and Learn

Minutes of the Northridge East Neighborhood Council Board Meeting

August 18, 2010

1. The meeting was called to order by President Steve Patel at 7:09PM.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Steven Ramirez.
3. Roll Call: Steve Patel, Don Dwiggins, Lucile Meehan, Alice McCain, Brittny McCarthy, Steven Ramirez, Peter McCarty, Kelly Lord (tardy), Barry Greenberg, Yeprem Davoodian (absent), Conor Lansdale (absent), Nestor Fantini (excused), Jay Draiman, Stephen Hubbard, Michael McNulty (absent). Quorum was present.
 - a. Agenda Setting Meeting Participation: Barry Greenberg, Stephen Hubbard.
4. Approval of Minutes: Mr. Greenberg made a motion to accept the minutes from July 21, 2010; 2nd by Mr. Draiman. Motion passes unanimously.
5. Comments from Public Officials:
 - a. Council District 12 – No appearance.
 - b. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment – No appearance.
 - c. CSUN – Ms. McCarthy announced that the University is about to send out their inaugural e-newsletter about campus events and updates. The first soccer game under the lights is Sunday, August 22nd. Dr. Stephen Oppenheimer is opening his Biology of Cancer class to the public; the class is held on Monday evenings. There were a few questions regarding the new tram route and gate; Ms. McCarthy will have an update next month.
 - d. Northridge South Neighborhood Council – At the Movie in the Park event, Congressman Brad Sherman gave the city of Northridge a flag that has flown over the capitol.
 - e. Northridge West Neighborhood Council is working on street cleanup and is going to partner with Northridge South and Northridge East on a project soon.
6. Public Comments:
 - a. Myrna Davis from Mark Reed's Campaign briefly described the candidate; Mark Reed is running for Congress in the 27th District, which includes Northridge. She had fliers, cards, and lawn signs available; Ms. Davis said that one of Mr. Reed's priorities is job growth.
 - b. Pat LoPresti updated everyone on the Oakridge Estate; two hundred people toured the Estate earlier this month. Public meetings are held the 4th Thursday of every month at Fire Station #87 from 3-5PM.

- c. Mary Engstrom from Northridge Park addressed the Council again regarding financial support for their programs as well as gave out performance dates.
 - d. Cindy Boyd created a non-profit organization to help in these trying economic times; programs include Art as Life, recycling, city cleanup and beautification, and environmental education. Mr. McCarty invited Ms. Boyd to come to an Environmental Committee meeting.
7. Old Business:
- a. Board Member Duties and Responsibilities – Defer to September meeting.
 - b. City of Los Angeles Ethics Training – Any NENC members that have not completed their Ethics Training need to do so and turn in their certificates to Mr. Greenberg as soon as possible.
 - c. Neighborhood Council Ambassadors – NENC Members and community members will visit surrounding Neighborhood Council's to share information.
 - d. Reserve Animal Control Officers Program – Jaren Sorkow addressed the Council again regarding financial support for the Reserve Animal Control Officers Program. The program will start in the start of 2011, funds will go to training and uniforms. Mr. Sorkow said that 4-5 other Councils have committed funds. The Program is asking for \$1,500. Mr. Patel said that the NENC will partner with another Council to cost-share. The Council asked if the Program can accept private donations from citizens; Mr. Sorkow will check.
8. New Business:
- a. Northridge Vision Presentation from Bob Scott – Mr. Scott gave a presentation on Northridge Vision; the community is currently collecting surveys to understand what the community wants to see Northridge look like in the next 3-20 years. Some plans are to create a more “college town” feel, make more walkable areas, promote CSUN's Valley Performing Arts Center, and have a diverse selection of community stakeholders to help the visions come to fruition. Part of the Vision is to create an environment where people want to live and work, including at some of the most technologically innovating businesses. A community plan update is in the works. Surveys are available online, hardcopies are available at Neighborhood Council meetings, and surveys can be taken over the phone.
 - b. Congressional Candidate Presentations – Dennis De Young, a candidate running for State Assembly, addressed the Council and stakeholders with his campaign proposals and also encouraged the community to vote in November.
 - c. Northridge Recreation Center Theater Program – Mr. Hubbard made a motion to support the Northridge Recreation Center Theater Program in the amount of \$500; 2nd by Ms. McCain. Two opposed, motion passes.
 - d. Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils event – Valley Alliance wants to put on a conference for the San Fernando Valley in the fall and is asking each Council to support them in the amount of \$100 to help pay for food and supplies. Mr. Lord made a motion to support the Valley Alliance Event in the amount of \$100; 2nd by Mr. McCarty. Motion passes unanimously.
 - e. Report from DWP Reform Ballot Measure Meeting – Mr. Greenberg announced that there are 8 proposals for reform for the way DWP operates, including rate advocates, inspector generals, and the way DWP Board is made up. Anyone

- interested in DWP and City relations should get involved by going to Greig Smith's website; the ballot measures are proposed to be on the March 2011 ballot.
- f. Reimbursement Authorization – Due to a technical error, there was money paid out by Mr. Greenberg's personal family estate account for NENC Google Email accounts in the amount of \$805.000 and they need to be reimbursed. Mr. Lord made a motion for a reimbursement authorization for NENC Email accounts in an amount not to exceed \$805.00 to Mrs. Harriet Greenberg; 2nd by Mr. Hubbard. Motion passes unanimously.
10. Committee Reports:
- a. Educational Committee – The next meeting will be held August 25th at 4:30PM at Darby Elementary School Parent Center.
 - b. Land Use Committee – The Council had a brief discussion regarding the property on White Oak and would like to invite planners to speak on this issue.
 - c. Environmental Committee – No update.
 - d. Public Safety Committee – No update.
 - e. Transportation Committee – Mr. Dwiggins announced that Tom Baker, former NENC Council member, is volunteering to chair the Transportation Committee.
 - f. The NENC meeting for September will be held at Northridge Academy High School at 9601 Zelzah Avenue.
11. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:15PM.