



Voices Neighborhood Council Regular Board Meeting
MINUTES
Vermont Square Branch Library
1201 West 48th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90037
Tuesday, June 11, 2019
6:00 pm



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Rev. Evan Bunch

YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE

Mr. Michael J. Parker

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Agenda

1. Call to Order at 6:06pm
2. Roll Call by Parliamentarian – Mr. Miles, Mr. Parker, Ms. Ferguson, Mr. Rand, Ms. Keaton, Rev. Bunch, Ms. Rabb, Ms. Embrey in attendance; Ms. Zurita, Mr. Warren, Ms. Ale absent.
3. Senior Lead Officer/Public Officials (7 mins, each)
 - Officer Cardenas, SLO – there will be an announcement of an update regarding the May 14th shooting in the park soon; Weekly basic car map (8 crimes) within Officer Canizales area; Homeless (Bridge home finished in September 2019 at 60th / Western and will house 100 people; Hope / 30th Bridge Home will house 60 male/40 female late 2019. The Bridge Home will be staffed with 2 officers to act as security; Ed Garren asked when will get weekly basic car maps from all areas (Jaime will ask Officer Canizales).
 - Brett Shears announced the preliminary results off the election posted at the library; Voices had 98 voters, a big increase than 2 years ago election with around 60 voters. There are 3 seats still available on the board; Treasurer, Area 3 and Youth Representative. There will be a Leadership training for new board members on Saturday, June 22nd 9am at All People's Community Center. This is not required for board members.
4. General Public Comment on Non-agenda Items (3 mins) – Martha Sherod from Library announced their summer program of feeding kids (ages 2-17) free meals M-F 12:30pm.
 - Edith Vega from the Mayor's office announced the Summer Night Lights event co-sponsored with Gang Reduction Unit starting in July 2019.
5. Board Announcements of Upcoming Events (2 mins each) – none
6. General Comments by Council Chairperson (3 mins) – Michael Parker announced 50 open full time positions at Honda.
7. Introduction of Newly Elected Council Members – **Discussion and Possible Action** (10 mins)
 - Council to present to constituents newly elected council members for 2-year term.
8. Voices Budget & Finance Committee Report – **Discussion and Possible Action** (20 mins)
 - Council to have presentations of reports on awarded NPGs for fiscal year 2019-20.
 - Project Peacemakers was unable to fund the NPG as everyone that called in was outside the 90037 area. Visit website projectpeacemakersinc.org for lots of activities/programs they

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- have going on. There are classes twice a year (the next training session is September and classes are 1x week (Tuesdays) for 10 weeks at 77th Division – 6:30pm – 10:30pm – food included; Voices will extend the funding for 4 people if Project Peacemakers can obtain 4 individuals from our area. Ms. Keaton motioned to approve \$1,200 through November for Project Peacemakers to obtain 4 individuals from our area; Mr. Rand second; all approved.
 - In His Loving Embrace Inc. – created and fully stocked pantry with food and hygiene items, television, computer and a vehicle to help with transportation for resident’s medical appointments. They currently don’t receive monthly donations but have a lot of fundraisers.
 - Council to review end of year budget and expenditure data.
9. Voices Outreach Committee – **Discussion and Possible Action** (10 mins)
- Council to review new Swag Items purchased by Outreach Committee.
 - Council to motion on the payment of Translation Services to Continental Interpreting in the amount of \$377.50. – Ms. Rabb motioned, second by Ms. Embrey and completed BAC which was approved unanimously.
10. Voices Youth & Education Report - **Discussion and Possible Action** (25 mins)
- Voices NC to discuss shooting incident that occurred on May 14 and solutions to make our community safer. – Mr. Miles wants to hold a meeting with the Mayor’s office, LAPD, Curren Prices’ office regarding problem around the issue and provide alternatives.
 - Albert Farias mentioned the Public Safety Committee being held at City Hall on Wednesday, 6/12 at 3:00pm – he will submit a public comment on the motion regarding the recent surge in crime in Los Angeles.
 - Kysha Foster mentioned the CPAB (Community Police Advisory Board) meetings held on the first Monday of every month at Child Guidance Center.
11. Other Committee or Liaison Reports (3 mins each)
- Fiscal Committee – All funded NPGs will be invited to give progress reports to Voices NC in June Meeting.
 - SLAANC Liaison – Voices NC to render position on Senate Bill 50
 - Homeless Liaison (Michael)
 - Resiliency Liaison –(Sally)
12. Adjourn at 7:55pm.



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Vice Chairperson - performs the duties of the Chairperson in his/her absence and other duties as delegated by the Chairperson. Secures meeting locations and permits, as necessary, assists the Chairperson in deciding what issues may deserve a special meeting, acts, with the Chairperson's approval as the chief liaison with other Neighborhood Council, maintain oversight of all committees to ensure they are functioning appropriately, and performs duties of the Parliamentarian's absence.

Recording Secretary – records Council and Stakeholder attendance, records minutes of General Board meetings and Special Board Meetings, lists vacancies and forwards applicants to the Corresponding Secretary for Board distribution and placement on agenda, records Stakeholder grievances, selects Ad Hoc Grievance Panel, coordinates time and place for panel meeting and forwards panel report and recommendations to the Board.

Area 2 Representative - represents all interests within Area 2 of the VNC.

Area 3 Representative - represents all interests within Area 3 of the VNC.

Voices NC Standing Committees

All meetings are open to the public and will be posted on www.empowerla.org. All meetings will be held at Vermont Square Library unless otherwise posted.

Planning & Land Use Committee: *Meets every 3rd Wednesday.* For additional information see Parker Rand

Outreach Committee: *Meets every 2nd Wednesday.* For additional information see Jaime Rabb

Youth & Education Committee: TBD

Budget & Finance Committee: TBD

Arts, Parks, & Recreation Committee: TBD

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