

## MINUTES APPROVED BY VOICES NC 8/13/2019

## Voices Neighborhood Council Special Board Meeting Vermont Square Branch Library 1201 West 48th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90037 Saturday, July 27, 2019 1:00 pm



**BOARD MEMBERS** 

CHAIRPERSON
Mr. Vincente B. Miles

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Mr. Albert Farias

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Ms. Jaime Rabb

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RECORDING SECRETARY

Mr. Steven Nieto

TREASURER Vacant

PARLIAMENTARIAN

Ms. Ingrid Guevara

**EDUCATION REPRESENTATIVE** 

Mr. Kelvin Guevara

AREA 1 REPRESENTATIVE

Ms. Sally Embrey

AREA 2 REPRESENTATIVE

Ms. Odalis Perez

AREA 3 REPRESENTATIVE Vacant

AREA 4 REPRESENTATIVE
Mr. Edward Garren

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AT-LARGE REPRESENTATIVE

Mr. Parker Rand

COMMUNITY/NONPROFIT

REPRESENTATIVE Ms. Sara Zurita

FAITH BASED REPRESENTATIVE

Rev. Roberto Rodriguez

**YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE** *Ms. Anita Gray* 

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## **Agenda**

- 1. Call to Order at 1:22PM.
- Roll Call by Parliamentarian-Present: Mr. Miles, Dr. Farias, Ms. Rabb, Mr. Nieto, Mr. Guevara, Ms. Perez, Mr. Garren, and Ms. Zurita. Tardy: Ms. Guevara (2:07PM arrival). Absent: Ms. Embrey (Excused), Mr. Rand, and Rev. Rodriguez.
- 3. Senior Lead Officer/Public Officials (3 mins, each)
  - a. None present.
- 4. General Public Comment on Non-agenda Items (3 mins)
  - a. None present.
- 5. Announcements of Upcoming Events (2 mins each)
  - a. Dr. Farias, Mr. Guevara, and Ms. Perez will attend 311 data workshop on 7/30.
- 6. Introduction of Newly Elected Council Members (2 mins each)
  - a. Council to present to constituents newly elected council members for 2-year term.
- 7. Voices Bylaws & Standing Rules *Discussion & Possible Action* (45 mins)
  - Council to review Voices NC Bylaws and Standing Rules to be effective in duties as voluntary elected city official.
  - Council to motion to ratify amendments, revisions, and/or additions that increase clarity of the Voices NC Standing Rules.
    - Motion to develop language that Area Representatives, Faith-Based Representative, Community/Non-Profit Representative, Youth Representative, and Education Representative connect with outreach on materials, and participate and represent Voices NC in community meetings as appropriate to their position. Area Representatives will meet quarterly to share ideas and concerns. Additionally, Area Representatives will host a town hall once a year within their respective area boundaries. The At Large Representative will serve as the liaison and coordinator of Area Representatives and will prepare a quarterly report on areas to be presented at Voices NC general board meeting.
      - i. Motioned: Mr. Garren. Second: Dr. Farias. Unanimously carried.
    - Motion that Voices NC board member items be placed on the agenda for the upcoming board meeting.
      - i. Motioned: Dr. Farias. Second: Mr. Nieto. Unanimously carried.
- 8. Nomination/Selection of Voices NC positions Discussion and Possible Action (30 mins)
  - a. Council to motion on applicant for vacant Council seats.
    - 1. Treasurer-Ms. Laure Ferguson
      - i. Motioned: Ms. Rabb. Second: Mr. Garren. Unanimously carried.
    - 2. Area 3 Representative
  - c. Council to motion on administrative financial positions:
    - Bank Card Holder\*- Mr. Miles;
      - i. Motioned: Mr. Nieto. Second: Ms. Rabb. Unanimously carried.
    - 2. Second Signer\*- Mr. Miles
      - i. Motioned: Ms. Rabb. Second: Mr. Garren. Unanimously carried.
    - 3. Alternate Second Signer\*- Ms. Rabb
      - i. Motioned: Mr. Nieto. Second: Mr. Garren. Unanimously carried.
  - c. Council to motion on the committee chairperson positions:

- Motion to reconsider consolidating committees in 90 days.
  - i. Motioned: Ms. Rabb. Second: Ms. Gray. Yeas (7) Nays (2) Abstain (0)
- 1. Arts, Parks, and Recreation
- 2. Budget and Finance (presided by Treasurer)
- 3. Health and Safety
- 4. Outreach (presided by Corresponding Secretary)
- 5. Planning and Land Use
- 6. Seniors
- 7. Youth and Education- Mr. Guevara and Ms. Gray (Co-Chairpersons)
  - . Motioned: Mr. Nieto. Second: Ms. Perez. Unanimously carried.
- d. Council to motion on liaison and alternate positions
  - 1. SLAANC (4th Thursday of month)- Mr. Farias and Ms. Rabb (alternate)
    - i. Motioned: Mr. Nieto. Second: Ms. Perez. Unanimously carried.
  - 2. 77th C-PAB (2nd Thursday of month)- Mr. Nieto and Ms. Rabb (alternate)
    - ii. Motioned: Dr. Farias. Second: Mr. Garren. Unanimously carried.
  - 3. Southwest C-PAB (1st Monday of month)
  - 4. Homeless Liaison (Meeting TBD)
  - 5. Resilience/Disaster Preparedness Liaison (Meeting TBD)
  - 6. 77th Clergy Council (3rd Tuesday of month)
  - 7. Budget Advocate (1st Monday of month)-Ms. Ferguson and Ms. Rabb (alternate)
    - iii. Motioned: Dr. Farias. Second: Mr. Nieto. Unanimously carried.
- 9. Voices NC Strategic Plan & Budget Session Discussion and Possible Action (90 mins)
  - Council motion on budget allocations for FY 2019-20 for Outreach, Office, NPGs and Community Beautification Projects.
    - 1. Outreach- \$20,000
    - 2. Office-\$5,750
    - 3. Community Improvement Projects-\$1,250
    - 4. Neighborhood Purpose Grants- \$15,000
      - Motioned: Dr. Farias. Second: Ms. Rabb. Mr. Miles completed BAC form. Unanimously carried.
  - b. Council to motion on formation of Ad Hoc Committee to secure office space.
  - c. Council to motion on other budget allocations related to desired community initiatives
- 10. Adjourned at 4:45PM

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