

HHPNC MINUTES APRIL 21, 2011

Acting Secretary, Dr. Stanley Moore

- A. Call to Order, President Chris Smith; Smith introduced his appointment to the Council, Kathy Milligan, who said that she wanted to chair the Economic Development committee if possible.
- B. Welcome and Public Comment
- Joe Carmona. Said he was going to speak to a serious issue, namely gangs and violence. Schools are not letting anti-gang efforts inside the schools. Teachers know what is going on, but administrators ignore the situation. Disgraceful!
- Adela—There will be a prayer vigil on May 7—to empower parents, who need often to let it all out. Prayer will help parents be strong. Peace, Inc. The INC means “In the Name of Jesus.”
- Carlos, working with Ofelia on International Kids Day, to be held at the Police Museum’s big parking lot opposite Coco’s Restaurant on April 30, from 1-3:30 p.m.
- Someone announced the Wednesday, April 27 BLEND “Meet and Greet” and that the new captain, Capt. Ryan Pratt, would be there.
- Stan Moore: Announced Sat. April 30, Mayor’s Day of Service with 50 projects along 21 miles of the L.A. River, plus the Audubon Society at Debs Park, and many others. He announce the Cinco de Mayo Parade in Cypress Park on May 7, the Lummis Day Fundraiser on May 7 at 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. to raise funds for the Lummis Day on June 5, and, finally, he concluded with the PEACE IN THE NORTHEAST MARCH against gang and family violence on Saturday, May 14 beginning a 10 a.m. at the Glassell Park Senior Center.
- Beebe: Aztecs Rising, introduced a new member of the gang-intervention organization of Aztecs Rising—Ramiro Mota—and spoke on efforts in the Monte Vista corridor.
- Rick Marquez: Spoke on how important a good educational system is for the nation and declared: the U.S.A. is 10th in the world as a nation in education; California is 30th out of the 50 states that make up the U.S.A.; and, the LAUSD is at the bottom of California, and Luther Burbank is at the bottom in District 4 of the LAUSD, Everyone plays the blame game.
- Mauro Garcia asked, “What can we do?” Rick said, “Empower people to complain. The HHPNC is sending a letter to all of the principals of HP area—and Janet Dodson said that the Outreach Committee is approaching 25 schools and 5 PTAs.
- Rosa Rivas: said that she had not seen many of the HHPNC or those at the April 7th. meeting who have attended the educational meetings at Luther Burbank Middle School attempting to improve it, except for Dr. Moore. All of us need to get involved.
- Tony Harris: Introduced himself as a police patrolman whose wife is part of LAUSD working with a Parent Magnet Program. Tony patrols the Luther Burbank area, 5 blocks in all directions, but, he cannot be everywhere at once and violence continues to happens, but not for the patrol not trying. One patrol car cannot be everywhere at once. He tries to make Safe Passages for the kids.

Teri Bonsell: Reminded everyone of the Saturday egg hunt on Sat. April 23 at HP Recreation center and the need for members of the HHPNC to participate. She also said that the Outreach Committee would meet Friday night, April 22, at Ramona Hall to choose an artist to do the HHPNC logo, and other things. She announced that the Audubon Center, at Debs Park, would be offering summer camps for children ages 6-11 years of age.

- C. Attendance was taken and a Quorum was established.
Luis Antezana, Eric Duarte Teri Bonsell, Janet Dodson, Mauro Garcia, Trisha Gossett, David Kekone, Rick Marquez, Kathy Milligan, Stan Moore, Joan Potter, Mark Reback, Chris Smith, and Ofelia Zuniga. Missing: Baird, Anson, Flores, Crouch, **Brewer, Escobar**
- D. Treasurer's Report. Mark Reback said all documents got in prior to the DONE's April 15 deadline and he will miss the next meeting because of being on vacation.
- E. Bonsell made her report above.

ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Motion to Adopt the Agenda. Moved, Marquez Second, Antezana MSA Unanimous.
- 2. Motion to Approve Minutes for April 7 with one amendment **drop any mention of David Kekone's employer**
Moved, Teri Bonsell Second, Ofelia Zuniga MSA 2 abstentions: Garcia and Kekone.
- 3. Discussion and Motion: Approve five sections of new bylaws.
Moved, Marquez Second, Dodson
 - (a) Article I Name Moved, Potter, Second, Gossett MSA Unanimous
 - (b) To advise the City amended to "To advocate on behalf of the stakeholders of the HHPNC to the elected officials and City Departments . . ."
 - (c) Put in somewhere "To expand the participation of the stakeholders in the business of the City"
Section 1 "The PURPOSE of the Council is" to come back amended
- 4. Section 2. The POLICY of the Council is:
Move, Bonsell Second, Kekone MSA Unanimous
- 5. Article III: Boundaries
The Council was told that Nancy Wyatt approved this section on Boundaries, so Moved, Moore Second, Kekone MSA Unanimous
Problem: Nancy Wyatt said after the meeting that she had not approved the Boundaries because she was unable to find a time to meet with Dodson that she could be there. So, they never met. **This was not discussed in the meeting and should not be in the minutes. The question was: had I spoken to Nancy, which I had at great length, and also that I had included in the description portions of a long letter from Nancy. "Council was told Nancy Wyatt approved this section on Boundaries, so Moved, Moore, Second Kekone"**
- 6. Article VII Committees and their Duties
Long discussion of the cutting of 4 standing committees: Education and Youth Development, Economic Development, City Services, and Art and Culture

Motion to include all 10 committees as Standing Committees.

Moved, Garcia Second, Moore 4 Yes 5 No Marquez, Dodson, Gossett, Antezana, and Potter. 3 Abstentions Reback, Bonsell, Kathy Milligan **Motion failed**

A second amendment was discussed to add the DONE language clarifying the freedom of the Council to add or delete or change any Standing or Ad-hoc committee as needed. **This amendment passed.** The Article will be brought back to the Board May 5 for approval.

No motion to approve Section 1 Standing Committees.

The entire Article VII was tabled until May 5

7. Article VIII Grievance Process

Section 1 approved

Section 2, long discussion. Joan Potter suggested adding to subsection b. the following: “Any person submitting a grievance must attend the required grievance meetings and their time schedule. Refusing to cooperate with this process will have their grievance dissolved/rejected/made illegal (or some other word)”

Discussion of whether “one week” in subsection b. and “one week” in subsection c. was adequate time. Problem is that DONE imposes a strict 60 days process and one week twice was deemed necessary to avoid having the HHPNC lose its money and displeasure the DONE time schedule.

Article VIII was then Moved, Moore, Seconded, Bonsell MSA Unanimous

At this point the president acting as moderator, Chris Smith, focused on items on the Agenda that could be more swiftly handled.

Item 4. Tabled

Item 5. Tabled

Item 6. Tabled until treasurer Mark Reback returns from vacation.

Item 7. Motion, shall the HHPNC write a letter to the City Council advocating Highland Park become one Council district, or remain two. (Marquez) Tabled

Item 8. Motion to write a letter to both CD1 and CD14 requesting removal of commercial signage and newsstands at the HP Memorial Square.

Moved, Bonsell Second, Marquez MSA Unanimous except for one abstention, Potter.

Item 9. Motion to approve two letters thanking Ms. Wendy Greuel and Chief McKnight for speaking to the HHPNC.

Moved, Moore Second, Bonsell MSA Unanimous
Items 10, 11, 12 tabled until the next fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011.

Unanimous to Adjourn at 9:45 p.m.