

HHPNC MINUTES DECEMBER 15 11

Stan Moore, Acting Secretary

A. Call to Order 7:17 p.m., president Chris Smith

B. Welcome

CD 14 Mr. Nate Hayward: Discussion of Wind Storm and the L.A. City's response. Rick Marquez—needed a command center. Was there one? There was no command center as far as Nate knows. Nancy Wyatt—AAA hand cranked phones were needed and they are very reasonably priced. Stan Moore—KNX or similar radio station should be under City contract to issue INFO. during a future

Crisis. Stan—How many City employees have been lost in the City's budget

Crisis? To what extent was the slow City response due to the loss of so many employees, and, particularly the loss of many long tenured and knowledgeable employees? Nate—not sure how many have been lost nor the effect of loss of knowledgeable employees.

Public comments: Henry Hernandez, Aztecs Rising. Bids for another year are now open and we hope you (the Council) will support our bid. We are now able to work in many of the schools with the school children. Aztecs Rising employees are trying to find the keys to reach the key pre-gang youth. Kids need to want to change. They lost one boy—his death was a set up deal.

Richard Ledesma, speaking for the new executive director of Hathaway-Sycamores, Andrea “Angie” Gonzalez. Hath.-Syca. wants to be able to expand its program. They would like a letter of recommendation from the HHPNC as soon as possible.

Sal Duprey—Franklin High School has \$2,000 for its robotics competition but needs \$2,000 more. The robotic competition begin May 18th. Mark Reback—given our agreed upon way of dealing with such requests, we will have to try to work around our next deadline for applications, which is April 30.

Linda Phelps—May 28th is the 10th. Anniversary of the HHPNC—the 33rd. NC to be certified.

Joe Carmona—his program works—letter from Huizar is positive. There is a lot of work to do and we need to work together.

Trish Gossett—thank you (community and the City) for your help during the wind storm crisis .

C. Mark Reback—Treasurer's report. We discovered that we can not give money from our agency, a NC, to a City agency such as Fire Station 12. However, DONE is going to help us work this out, since the equipment for the back door has been already purchased and is waiting to be installed. DONE is still slowly catching up on all the funding requests from the 95 NCs.

D. Teri Bonsell—Reminder that on Dec. 17 the members of the HHPNC need to be a part of the Outreach effort to the struggling families of HP to be held at the HP Recreation Center on Piedmont.

Roll Call: Present— Luis Antezana, Lisa Brewer, Teri Bonsell, Steve Crouch, Janet Dodson, Miriam Escobar, Trish Gossett, Tina Gulotta-Miller, David Kekone, Rick Marquez, Cathi Milligan, Stan Moore, Joan Potter, Mark Reback, and Chris Smith. Absent: Ofelia Zuniga, Erik Duarte, David Baird (ill), Mauro Garcia, and Terri Lloyd (ill)

Quorum Established.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Adoption of Agenda

Moved: Teri Bonsell Second, David Kekone

MSA Unanimous

2. **Discussion and Motion: Approve the Minutes of Nov. 3, 2011.** Tabled. Not yet ready in the absence of the acting secretary from the Nov. 3 meeting.
Motion to Approve the Minutes of Nov. 17, 2011.
Moved, Teri Bonsell Second, Cathi Milligan
Agreed to add the 3 or 4 pages from the Rules Committee that were agreed to on November 17. Simply insert them into the Minutes by scanning them in.
MSA Unanimous except for one abstention—Kekone. He was absent Nov. 17
3. Item 3 on the Wind Storm was done with Nate Hayward of CD 14 during public comment and was not repeated.
4. Discussion continued regarding letter “from” Public Health and Safety Committee” regarding the request of Fire Station 12 for help with its needed automatic closing of its back door. Since the “Committee” had not met since late Spring, it was not the “Committee” which sent the request to help Fire Station 12. Instead it was its chair, David Kekone. Since members of the Council can place items on the Agenda individually, the Council chose to go ahead and respond to the Station’s request.
5. 4.1 Luther Burbank visitation was, according to Gulotta-Miller, exceptionally worthwhile. Students were not wandering around the halls; classes visited were quiet and students were working. Lisa Brewer declared that her visits to Annandale Elementary, Bushnell Way Elementary, Meridian Early Education Center and Toland Way Elementary were very value and she learned a great deal. She encouraged the members of the Council to visit our HP schools.
5.2 Resignation of Lisa Brewer. Her classes at UCLA are simply making it impossible for her to attend meetings and to be an active First Vice president.
Lisa submitted a letter which she requested be placed in the Minutes of December 15. “To the HHPNC, Friends and Neighbors—As luck would have it, my last class at UCLA will take me out of the NC meetings until the end of February. I had a similar conflict in May and June of this year, followed by CERT training and other classes in September and October. I don’t believe I’ve attended a committee meeting since April. It turns out I’m not as good a juggler as I’d like to be, and feel it’s best to step down due to conflicting obligations. I am rendering my resignation as First Vice President of the Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council effective immediately. I will continue to support our community as captain of the North Highland Park Neighborhood Watch and as member of Northeast LAPD CPAB, and am always only a phone call or email away. I thank you for understanding and wish the Council the very best.”
Members of the HHPNC expressed their sadness at her announcement and wished her well.
6. Discussion of the application of the approved “Accountability Form” passed as the last item on the Agenda of the Nov. 17 meeting. (Dodson) It was agreed without a vote that it would apply to the groups approved for grants made at the Nov. 17 meeting.
7. Discussion and agreement that members of the Council would send their responses to the City Clerk’s Election Survey to the president, Chris Smith, for him to compile and send to the City Clerk and to DONE on or before the deadline of Jan. 6, 2012.
8. Motion: Rick Marquez to write a letter to the Board of Directors of the HP Police Museum asking to meet with a representative to discuss community access to the museum for meetings, etc. MSA Unanimous except for one abstention: Moore.

9. Motion: That Janet Dodson write a letter to Principal Joseph Cruz Nacorda inviting him to speak to the HHPNC. Moved, Trish Gossett Second, Miriam Escobar MSA Unanimous Motion
10. Motion: To invite Bennett Kayser, Board member, LAUSD, to speak to the HHPNC. Moved, Stan Moore Second, David Kekone. MSA Unanimous Motion
11. Discussion and Motion: Motion to write a letter to Mayor Villaraigosa, DONE and all NCs, addressing concerns about Mayor's Budget Day. (Marquez, Gulotta-Miller) The complaint is that the L.A. City is managing who gets to sit down with the Mayor. Gulotta-Miller and Marquez to write the letter. Moved, Kekone Second, Escobar MSA 1 abstention, Moore
12. Items 11, 12 and 13 sent to Outreach Committee. MSA Unanimous Motion
13. Item 15. (Teri Bonsell is already working on this.) Discussion and Motion: Propose creating a 2-3 day bilingual health/fair/forum in March 2012, including a blood drive, health checks, lectures, demonstrations, workshops, and displays, with a possible ad-hoc committee. (Dodson, Bonsell) Chris Smith suggested that we start small—that planning for Lummis Day takes all year with multiply meetings. Even one day is a huge amount of work. Cathi Milligan: Do it at Franklin High School. Do it at the Senior Center because it would be more visible. Mark Reback—Outreach has already spent its entire amount of money, This appears to be expensive. From where is the money coming? Gullotta-Miller: I'll talk to Arturo Valdez—see if this is possible. Item TABLED—to be brought back to Council for further discussion.
14. TABLED. David Baird absent from the meeting.
15. Item 16. Discussion and Motion: Motion to create a community forum using the LAPD, LA City Attorney, BLEND, LAUSD Police, etc, including the 7 topics listed on the Agenda. (Marquez) Discussion: Use the 1st. Thursday of the month, e.g., March 1. Kekone: Join C-PAD, which is on the 4th. Monday and which discusses such issues. Moved, Bonsell Second, Escobar MSA Unanimous Motion
16. Item 17. Discussion and Motion: Approve a letter supporting the request for variances for Matthew Glesne restoration in Garvanza. (Dodson, Gulotta-Miller) The variances are for 1121 and 1125 N. Avenue 64. Moved, Bonsell Second, Milligan MSA Unanimous Motion
17. Item 18. Discussion and Motion: Approve a letter to PLUM Committee (Planning and Land Use Committee) regarding revisions in the upcoming Billboard Ordinance. (Dodson) Moore—hope it is not too late. Moved, Moore Second, Bonsell MSA Unanimous Motion
18. Item 19. New Business. No one spoke regarding new business.
19. Item 20. Adjournment Unanimous Consent by all