

Minutes of the 12/3/15 general board meeting

A. Call to Order 7:05pm

B. Roll Call – Present: Monica Alcaraz, Harvey Slater, Diego Silva (late), Joan Potter, Johanna Sanchez, Manuel Avila, Linda Caban, Karina Casillas, Jessica Ceballos, Susanne Huerta, Sheri Lunn, Stan Moore, Amirah Noaman, Fernando Villa, Miranda Rodriguez (late); **Absent:** Liz Amsden, Gab Chabran, Luz Mercado

C. Elected Officials (Mayor's office, CD1, CD14, AD51, SD 22, BOS1) Mayor's office – climate action report just released, Fleet Week – Los Angeles selected in 2016 for more access to Navy ships (memorial day weekend)

D. President's Report – Toy Giveaway on Dec. 19th, Dec. 13th tree lighting, parade on Dec. 6 – Beginning Avenue 61

E. LAPD Report – update on attacker on York (attempted rapist), likely arrest shortly; homicide – gang related on San Raphael; stressed importance of community speaking out as witnesses; big uptick on mail theft

F. LAFD Report – update on fire safety (candles, electrical, furnaces, Xmas trees), make sure carbon monoxide and smoke detectors are being used; fire station on Cypress Avenue – will be accepting old trees; Toys for Tots is ongoing – drop by toys at any station

G. Board Announcements – Jay Handal – working on elections – online voter registrations to vote. You'll need an email address and a pin number (received 24-48 hours after registration). The voting window will be 21 days. Poll workers will now be paid and have a poll manager with assistants. The goal is 5k to register and 1k to actually follow through with voting; anyone can be on the election committee even candidates, candidates just can't work their own polls; registrants need to have documentation ahead of time (picture id will be necessary), money is being spent on election materials and there are deals for which NCs can spend on pole banners, park benches, all physical locations will be electronic voting; NC will have an independent election person

H. Committee Reports: (Budget, Land Use, Outreach, Rules, Public Safety, Beautification, Youth School Alliance, Digital and Social Media, Arts & Culture, Sustainability) Budget – spent about 1/4 of budget; land use – Dec. 17 ; Outreach – none, Rules – none, Safety – none, Beautification – next mtg in January; Youth – None, Digital – next meeting soon – no chair; Arts – none; Sustainability – next meeting – Dec. 16

I. Budget Advocates Report - none

J. LANCC/Sustainability Alliance Report - none

K. Public Comments (Limited to 10 minutes, maximum 2 minutes per speaker) none

ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of Agenda – All in favor. Motion passes.
2. Approval of Minutes of the November 2015 meeting. Abstaining – Johanna. All else in favor. Motion passes.
3. Motion to approve the Monthly Expenditure Report for October as required by DONE. In favor: Monica, Manuel, Linda, Karina, Jessica, Susanne, Sheri, Stan, Amirah, Joan, Miranda, Johanna, Diego, Harvey, Fernando. Motion passes.
4. Motion to approve the request from Recycled Resources for the Homeless for an NPG (Neighborhood Purpose Grant) in the amount of \$920 to be used in support of the Winter Access Center. Money to be used to purchase 2 TVs, 2 antennae, and 4 folding tables.
 - a. Monica recuses herself and steps out of the room.
 - b. Rebecca Prine speaks about the recently opened shelter. Still no funding from council districts. Support coming from other NCs. Really need tvs for entertainment/education. Some concerns raised about what happens to items after shelter closes. Prine says that likely they will be given to residents who have transitioned to permanent housing. There is currently nothing set up for storage of items purchased for the temporary shelter.
 - c. All in favor: Manuel, Linda, Karina, Jessica, Susanne, Sheri, Stan, Amirah, Miranda, Joan, Diego, Johanna, Harvey, and Fernando. No one against. Motion passes.
 - d. Monica rejoins for the subsequent agenda items.

5. Motion to support the December 19th Arts Posada / Las Posadas de Arte with no more than \$100 for refreshments.
 - a. In conjunction with Theater Arroyo – In favor: Monica, Manuel, Linda, Karina, Jessica, Susanne, Sheri, Stan, Amirah, Miranda, Johanna, Harvey, Fernando – Motion passes. (Diego out of the room).
6. Motion and discussion to fill vacant At-Large Director seat on Board. New member to be seated at the next general Board meeting.
 - a. Two candidates – one candidate bowed out before voting.
 - b. Erica Daking spoke about wanting to be a part of the Council. Currently chef/owner of a local eatery. Board members voted. All in favor. Daking to be installed at next meeting. Advised to go through trainings in order to vote.
7. New Business – next meeting January 7, 2016; meetings to return to twice monthly.
8. Adjournment – 8:11pm