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Environmental & Health Services – Skye Kelly
OPNC Youth Pulse – Gracious Williams
Trade, Commerce & Public Works – (Laura Rudison)
Transportation & Public Safety – Gerry Pass
Utility and Building & Safety – Gerardo Pinedo

**OLYMPIC PARK NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING**

April 4, 2016, 7:00 PM

LOCATION: Legal Aid Foundation, 1102 Crenshaw Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90019

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 7:30pm by President Laura Rudison.

2. Roll Call - Reminder: By-Laws excused and non-excused absences

Presents: Curtis Clark; Joann Fleming; Joyce White; Gracious Williams; John Snyder; Theodore Smith; Faalaniga Smith; Bonnie Strong; John Yi; Laura Rudison. Unexcused Absences: Robbie Abdul. Excused Absences: Gerardo Pinedo; Sung Park; Sky Kelley.

Quorum reached: 10

3. Reports of City Officials/City Departments and Agencies [5 - min/ per]

Senior Lead Officer Rodriguez of Wilshire LAPD Station gave a brief summary of crimes happening around his area of patrol pertaining to Olympic Park NC boundaries of which is from La Brea/ Olympic and Pico/La Brea to Crenshaw Blvd. Property crimes in these area has increased for 2016 to 948, especially breaking in residential and business and vandalism. Officer Rodriguez encourage members and stakeholders to practice safety measure at all times such as always lock vehicles and do not leave valuables inside of vehicles. Be sure to take proper safety measure such as securing your homes and your vehicle. More importantly, always keep visual contacts of your surroundings when exiting or entering your vehicle or homes. An example, a woman was taking her groceries inside her home when a man snatch her purse.

4. Public Comments [2- min]: Stakeholders comments on Non- agenda items. All speakers will be allowed to speak.

No stakeholder volunteer to speak.

5. Approval of prior Month Minutes (March Minutes)

Mover: Joann Second: John Yi

Board Member Joanne motions for March Minutes to be approved subject to any corrections. Board member John Yi seconds the motion.

Unanimous

6. Chairperson Comments – (Laura Rudison): Tentative Board Action:

- a. Miscellaneous Other item(s) not yet covered

Public Comments [2- min]: Stakeholders comments on Agenda items. All speakers will be allowed to speak, “prior to “each Committee Report.

7. OPNC Committee Reports: [15- min per]

➤ **Secretary Report: - (Sung Jik Park): Tentative Board Action:**

Treasurer Faalaniga Smith was the acting secretary for Sung Park.

- a. Secretarial highlights and updates – OPNC Board Retreat

Retreat will discuss after the election per last month’s meeting which a motion by Ted Smith and second by Mitch Edelson. It was unanimous.

- b. Miscellaneous Other item(s) not yet covered

Each current member should have the latest Contact Roster. Again, check to make sure your names are correct, phone numbers and your email. If not; email me with corrections.

➤ **Treasurer’s Report - (Faalaniga Smith): Tentative Board Action:**

- c. Prior Monthly Report (Recap Summary)
- d. Current Monthly Report (Recap Summary)
- e. DONE Monthly Expenditure Report (“MERS”)

Ted Smith motions for the MARCH MERS 2016 to approved. Joanne Fleming seconds.

1 Abstention - Gerry

None Opposed

Passed

- f. Board Member Reimbursement Expenditures – None

- g. Miscellaneous Other item(s) not yet covered

➤ **Outreach & Rules - Elections Committee Report (Bonnie Strong) - Tentative Board Action:**

- a. Committee highlights and updates

- b. (Gracious Williams) Youth Pulse “outreach” update
- c. OPNC Board “Administrative Supplies/Tools”

Ted makes a motions to purchase a printer for Outreach Committee; seconds by John Yi.

Unanimous.

Passed

- d. Update: New/larger Public Storage Unit needed for OPNC (increased cost)
- e. Update: Issue re USPS Renewal (P.O. Box) forwarded to City Attorney for handling
- f. Update: Board Of Commissioners require Code-Of-Conduct Video Certification, eff 03/01/16
- g. Miscellaneous Other item(s) not yet covered
- h.

Outreach Chair Bonnie Strong asked Youth Pulse Chair Gracious Williams does she have a question for the board. Ms Williams responds by asking the board; students who will register on April 14th; can they vote the same day? Jay Handal, Election Director, DONE, clarified with a YES. In fact, he ensured OPNC Board; he will send two or three DONE representatives to support April 14th Event.

➤ **Elections Committee Report** - (Theodore Smith) - **Tentative Board Action:**

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Chair Ted Smith emphasized the date of the election May 5th from 4:00pm to 8:00pm; at Century Day and Night Spa at 4120 W. Olympic Blvd. Entrance to the facility is at Burnside Street. There will be food, drinks, photos and swag for all participants. Candidates must be 100 feet away from polling location. Online registration is required if interested in voting Online (must have proof of status; DOB, residents, business owners, employee in the districts.

Mailer to 15,000 household completed and on its way to the Post Office. OPNC Advertisement of its Election completed with THE NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS (TNN).

➤ **Environmental & Health Services** – (Skye Kelly) - **Tentative Board Action**

NO UPDATES

➤ **PLUM** (Theodore Smith/ L. Rudison) – **Tentative Board Action:**

Interim Chair Laura Rudison stated; she’s happy to see most board members are attending joint Outreach/PLUM meeting. Laura also emphasize the importance of attending an upcoming meeting of the Wilshire Planning which can affect the District’s Commercial Corridor.

➤ **Trade, Commerce, Technology & Public Works** (Laura Rudison) **Tentative Board Action:**

NO UPDATES

➤ **Transportation & Public Safety** (Gerry Pass) - **Tentative Board Action:**

NO UPDATES

➤ **Utility Services** (Gerardo Pinedo) - **Tentative Board Action:**

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NO UPDATES

Youth Pulse (Gracious Williams) - **Tentative Board Action**

Support April 14th Event by coming out and help register students at L.A. High School during the Open House. 6:00 - 8:00pm.

ONGOING BUSINESS:

8. **New Candidates for the OPNC Board: Tentative Board Action [5- Min]:** Selection of new Board Members (Motions by the Board).

a. Unseat new Board Members voted in March 2016. Pursuant to By-laws no Board appointments within 60 days of the Elections.

NONE

9. **Miscellaneous Other Item(s) not yet covered**

NEW BUSINESS:

10. **New Item: Discussion & Tentative Board Action [5- Min]:**

a. **New Candidates for the OPNC Board: Unseat new Board Members voted in in March 2016 Pursuant to By-Laws no Board appointments within 60 days of the Election.**

John Snyder, one of the board member who was appointed was present. Laura apologized for the error but encourage him continue to come until the election.

b. Faalaniga Smith: Grievance Process according to OPNC by Laws.

OPNC President was advised by Director of Election, Mr. Jay Handal to withdraw Ms Smith's item from the agenda for further notice.

c. LA Stem School Introduction: Principal Ms Liz Hicks

Ms Hicks was the first speaker of the Board of Directors meeting. She spoke briefly about STEM which is an all girls school. A school that focus on academics such as science, mathematics, English, History and research. STEM is coming to L.A. High in the Fall of 2016. Grades are 6th through 12th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & ADJOURNMENT

- 8. Announcements & Introductions: [2- min]** Stakeholders announcements on non- agenda items.
All speakers will be allowed to speak.

a. Adjournment

Motion by Ted Smith seconds by Nina Smith 9:04pm

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