

**OLYMPIC PARK NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
February 05, 2018 - 7:00 PM
LOCATION: UNION 4067 Pico Blvd. Los Angeles CA 90019**

The Neighborhood Council System enables civic participation for all LA Residents and serves as a voice for improving government responsiveness to local communities and their needs. Collectively, the 98 Neighborhood Councils are an advisory body to the Los Angeles City Council; made up of volunteer Stakeholders devoted to the mission of improving and bringing government closer to our communities.

I. WELCOMING REMARKS

- Call to Order (President- Laura Rudison)
- 7:20 call to order
- Roll Call (Secretary – Mitch Edelson)
John unexcused absence

II. CITY OFFICIALS/ CITY DEPTS./OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES [5-10 Minutes]

Sylvia Lacey: (7:54pm) Followup town hall / think tank set for February 24. Repeat meeting every 4 months. Very busy: Taste of Soul, then MLK Festival; catching up on 6 week old e-mails. Black History Month display at City Hall - on bridge. Light still out at Midtown Center, more than a year. Would like to get get medians planted like Larchmont, including Pico, Venice, Washington, San Vicente. Need to get irrigation, drought tolerant plants. Lawsuit by Downtown BID for not enforcing homeless ordinances; how will this affect OPNC? Notify

Sanitation, then to LA Homeless Services Ass'n (LAHSA) to offer services, 3 postings to clean up, back to Sanitation. Ted: 36% increase in 2017 homeless count for CD10. "People dumping" by smaller municipalities, driving them to LA proper. Laura: Larger discussion, suggest board members join Homelessness Committee with Thomas Soong at DONE. Only 8 cops in entire city work on homelessness issue. Sylvia to see what percentage of sales tax increase and/or Measure HHH to to homelessness issues.

Before call to order

FIVE (5) MINUTE RECESS

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON AGENDA ITEMS [2-Minutes]: Stakeholders may comment on any topic or "NON-AGENDA ITEMS" All speakers will be allowed to speak freely and openly on items within the Board's jurisdiction.

Milton Gaines: LANA blockparty on May 5th 2pm to 6pm, 35th anniversary of Lana, congratulations to OPNC 14th anniversary

*Kenneth j Melrose: Cannabis Lobbyist representing potential cannabis businesses
LA Canna LLC 4077 W Pico Blvd. Monica Gonzalez
Ace of Spades 3709 W Pico Blvd. Melanie Barclay*

Yoon Kim

Still having problems with neighbor, Gus's had promised to hire parking monitor but only was there 3 times. Was expecting to have fence issue on this months agenda. Laura suggests to document violations of agreement. She will return at February 19th PLUM meeting.

Steve Dunwoody (8:16pm). Veteran's Voices. Closure of employment office on Crenshaw. Health-care coverage, criminal justice reform, housing affordability. Running for public office.

III. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS: (President- Laura Rudison): (Discussion and possible Board action)

- Discussion and Board **MOTION AND VOTE** to approve December 2017 Board Minutes
- December minutes not on website. Table until March meeting.

IV. PRESIDENT'S REPORT: (President Laura Rudison) [10-Minutes];

LR attended January meeting for Neighborhood Commissioners. Concern about larger NC taking budget from smaller NC. Want to make sure we spend our allotted budget. Need to strategize spending outreach funds to encourage new board members from East zone. NC set up to spend money on outreach.

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OPNC COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGEND ITEM ON COMMITTEE REPORTS [2-MINUTES]. Stakeholders may comment on any “**COMMITTEE REPORTS**” as each Committee is called. Anyone wanting to have public comments must fill out a speaker card. All Speakers who have submitted a speaker card will be allowed to speak freely and openly on items.

V. SECRETARY REPORT (Mitch Edelson) [10 minutes] (Discussion and possible Board action)

- Required DONE Training by Board Members *LR: If DONE asks you to do something, check with OPNC Board to check records of training first. All training complete by all members.*
- Board Absences, pursuant to By-Laws determine which Board Members are subject to a warning letter. *Reset to happen in fiscal year (July). Curtis has missed two meetings. LR: Enforcement lax because we need board members, danger of missing quorum. Make sure that we're working together, civil engagements. Please make sure to alert board to absence in advance.*

VI. TREASURER REPORT - (Faalaniga Smith): [10 -MINUTES: Discussion and Possible Board Action]

- Treasures Report
- Approval of previous months MERs *Outstanding bills from Apple One (nonresponsive, incomplete invoices).*
- *September 2017 MERS: Ted Motion to Approve, Mitch Second. Unanimous approval.*
- *October 2017 MERS: Ted Motion, Gerry Second. Unanimous approval.*
- *New Principal at LA High - LR looking to get Youth OPNC filled again.*
- *November 2017 MERS: Ted Motion, Gerry Second. Unanimous.*
- Reimbursement request for Joyce White (\$218) *LR Motion, Peter Second. Curtis Abstained, otherwise all Yea.*
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VII. OUTREACH COMMITTEE: (Bonnie Strong) [10 minutes] (Discussion and Possible Board Action)

- March Mixer at Pips, \$7500 to buyout restaurant for the entire night or \$3000 for 3 hours before club opens.
- *Lynn Kuwahara: Public Speaker objects to PIPS because of past request from PIPS owner. Owner never came to OPNC meeting after months on agenda. Suggests under 21 event at Union, catering by Two Sisters or Gus's or Papa Christos.*
- *Bonnie Strong: Doesn't want to hold a grudge.*
- *LR: PIPS is West Side Outreach. East Side Outreach still TBD. Limit points of contact to authorized board members.*
- *Mitch: Suggest Guelaguetza as East Side Outreach.*
- *Curtis: Does not want to support LA High. Need to open up LA High to community. Emancipation Proclamation.*
- *\$7500 approved for Pips March Mixer (unanimous)*
- *\$7500 approved for April Eastside mixer (1 abstain)*
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- Presentation by Chin from CERT to get OPNC and other NA's in our boundaries certified. Discussion on purchasing HAM and 2 way radios.
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- Continued use of amazon prime \$200.
- *Unanimous approval*
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VIII. P.L.U.M COMMITTEE (Ted Smith III) [5- Minutes] Discussion and possible Board Action)

- Committee Highlights and updates

Next P.L.U.M. Meeting February 19th at 7PM at UNION, 4067 W. Pico Blvd

IX. OPNC BUDGET ADVOCATES (Adrienne/Hank) [5-minutes]

- Committee highlights and updates

X. HEALTH SERVICES [5-minutes] (Discussion and Possible Board Action) (Vacant)

- Committee highlights and updates

XI. TRADE, COMMERCE, TECHNOLOGY, PUBLIC WORKS (Mitch Edelson [5min]
(Discussion and Possible Board Action)

- Volunteers to canvass Pico Blvd. business for BID

XII. TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC SAFETY (Gerry Pass) [5min] (Discussion and Possible Board Action)

- Committee highlights and updates

XIII. YOUTH PULSE (Vacant) [10 minutes] (Discussion and Possible Board Action)

XIV. UTILITY AND BUILDING & SERVICES (L. Rudison/Vacant) [5min] (Discussion and possible Board action)

XV. OPNC “ONGOING” BUSINESS

[5min per item] (Discussion and Possible Board Action)

XVI. OPNC NEW BUSINESS

[5 min/per item] (Discussion and Possible Board Action)

- *Discussion and approval of budget for Clean Streets Event on 2/17/18 (Adrienne)*
- *75 people registered, total budget for \$75, partnered with NID Housing Counseling Agency. Gerry Moved to approve up to \$1K for Clean Streets project. Ted 2nd. Curtis abstain, all other approve*

XVII. COMMUNITY/OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS [1 min per item]

- Community Announcements
- New Introductions of visitors

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT:

- Board Motion and Vote to Adjourn [1 minute per topic]
- Next OPNC Board Meeting March 5, 2018 at UNION

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