



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
August 11th, 2015

MINUTES

A regular monthly meeting of the BHA Board of Directors was called to order at 7:36 p.m. on Tuesday, August 11th, 2015 at the Brentwood School, 100 S. Barrington Place, Los Angeles, CA 90049.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Adam Braun, Bruce Jugan, Dan Halsted, David Wilson, Donald Keller, Ike Cohen, Marjorie Platzker, Ray Klein, Robin Stevens. Rod Liber, Scott Kaufman and Thelma Waxman

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Carole Bobys, Erica Broido, Mario Piatelli and Robert Rene

GUESTS: Marc Fishman (Prospective Director), Debbie Ream (MSM), Ira Handelman (MSM), Said Jabbari (Prospective Director), Joseph Harris (LAPD), August Cziment (Ring.com), Ben Feole (Ring.com), Homa Taghari (resident).

APPROVAL OF JULY MINUTES

With the amendment to add David and Zofia Wright to the list of guests, the motion to approve minutes was seconded and approved.

TREASURERS REPORT – (Rodney Liber)

The bookkeeping software is being recalibrated and a more detailed report is expected soon.

LAPD REPORT – (Officer Gray, Officer Harris, Reps from Ring.com)

Representatives from Ring.com explained the advantages of their product, which enables residents to see visitors on their phone before answering the door. A device was donated to the picnic on the 30th.

LAPD's Officer Joseph Harris, who oversees social media, suggested joining the BHA's Yahoo group so that we could more easily send and receive LAPD's updates. Harris' contact info is:

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Facebook: lapd-west los angeles

Twitter: @lapdwestla

CD11 REPORT – (Sharon Shapiro)

There will be resurfacing between Church and Barrington this weekend in both east and westbound lanes.

The West LA VA Master Plan is still in process. Design open houses will be at the Welcome Center and available for streaming at hello@helphouselavets.com.

Sunset charrettes will be scheduled by CD11 shortly, likely on a Saturday. The 405 tree mitigation project, MTA and City agreed that 331 trees will be planted in the public right of way for CD5 and CD11. They will develop a site plan in early September with a goal of planting in November. The city is open to BHA suggestions for locations.

A sidewalk vending ordinance was proposed, which would make vending legal, with the option to opt in or out for certain territories. The BHA was invited to take a formal stance. The ordinance would also clarify an enforcement mechanism which is now BSS and LAPD.

BCC REPORT – (Ike Cohen)

The VA Master Plan, as it was presented, does not contain many specifics. The project is expected to be finalized by October 15th. If the BHA has objections or suggestions, it is possible that they will be heard between now and then. Director Klein discussed possible separate housing as a future necessity in cases of substance abuse, though he pointed out that the BHA is not a group which specializes in veteran care. Vince Kane was contacted regarding specifics on the policies of “Continuum of Care” and Permanent Housing vs. Bridge Housing. A motion was made to write a letter requesting input on how the decisions impact safety and welfare of the Brentwood Community. Motion made. Motion seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Regarding Archer School, The BCC voted to support Alternative 2. The Sunset Coalition intends to pursue negotiations further and to examine the EIR, specifically as it relates to traffic and the toxins emitted as a result of construction.

MOUNT SAINT MARY’S – (Debbie Ream, Ira Handelman, Said Jabbari)

The school representatives would like to return in October with a more crystalized presentation.

SUNSET AND ALLENFORD – (Bruce Jugan)

Director Jugan will meet with Sharon Shapiro and Transportation Engineer, Mohammad Blorfroshan to discuss possibly of adding zebra stripes or a crossing guard. Other possibilities include adjusting the signal timing for an “all red” phase and adding signage.

PICNIC – (Ray Klein, Lisa Robinson)

Plans are underway, with Pink’s Hot Dogs booked at cost. Drinks will be donated from Vicente Foods and Whole Foods and half a dozen raffle prizes have been donated so far. Director Liber encouraged the board to RSVP.

BRENTWOOD MONUMENT – (David Wilson)

The monument was hit by a car and The Brentwood Rotary Club will pay for its repair, according to Said Jabbari.

LUXE EVENT – (Bruce Jugan)

A social event for the board is expected to be fun and honor Leslie Vermut and Robert Rene. will Mike Bonin and Sharon Shapiro are expected to attend.

SUNSET BEAUTIFICATION – (Marc Fishman)

The resident who is reticent to contribute financially has cleaned the area by his house and trimmed all the trees next to fire department.

NEW BUSINESS – (Ike Cohen)

Director Cohen suggested that the BHA revisit efforts to beautify Sunset and Church, as it is “The Gateway to Brentwood”. The intersection could be a perfect site for the trees the City will plant in October.

ARCHER SCHOOL - (Rod Liber, Ray Klein, Thelma Waxman)

The board went into private session.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:03pm