



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
June 9th, 2015

MINUTES

A regular monthly meeting of the BHA Board of Directors was called to order at 7:32 p.m. on Tuesday, June 9th, 2015 at the Brentwood School, 100 S. Barrington Place, Los Angeles, CA 90049.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Adam Braun, Bruce Jugan, David Wilson, Donald Keller, Ike Cohen, Leslie Vermut, Marjorie Platzker, Rod Liber, Scott Kaufman and Thelma Waxman

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Carole Bobys, Dan Halsted, Erica Broido, Mario Piatelli, Ray Klein Robert Rene and Robin Stevens.

GUESTS: Marc Fishman (homeowner, prospective director), Lauren Sugarman (homeowner, prospective director), Captain Tina Nieto (LAPD), Officer Veloz (LAPD), Senior Lead Officer Ragsdale (LAPD).

APPROVAL OF MAY MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes was seconded and approved.

LAPD REPORT – (Officers Nieto, Ragsdale and Veloz)

Captain Nieto introduced herself and informed the board of possible methods monitoring police activity. She also described different patterns of crime and explained the ways they are analyzed according to the specialties of various departments. Prompted by prospective director, Marc Fishman, Captain Nieto also expressed that prop 47 and 189 have proven challenging, as they release non-violent offenders back into the community. Local Senior Lead officers are working with homeless outreach providers like LAHSA to address homelessness in the area.

COUNCIL OFFICE REPORT – (Norman Kulla)

The board thanked Mr. Kulla for his years of service, as June 30th will be his last day in office before retirement. He suggested that the board write a letter to legislators opposing AB57, which would take all cell tower control away from the community. While it does not seem promising, a roundabout at Mayfield and Bundy is still possible, though not with designs in their current stage. Mr. Kulla suggested Mobility Deputy, Jessie Holzer as a future contact at CD11.

TREASURERS REPORT - (Leslie Vermut)

With just under 300 members, a new mailing and social event is hoped to increase membership soon. The bank accounts remain healthy.

BCC REPORT – (Ike Cohen)

A motion was made to send a letter to senators and other community groups to oppose AB57. Motion made. Motion seconded. Motion approved unanimously. The DWP is installing a new circuit breaker to increase power capabilities for the community. The construction, centering in Brentwood Park is expected to continue until the end of 2016.

KENTER SCHOOL WALKWAY - (Joel Ball)

Director Keller advised resident, Joel Ball, on the logistics of creating a safe space for walking and crossing outside of Kenter School. A petition would likely be required, and Mr. Ball will correspond with Director Keller to explore exactly what else may be needed to move forward.

SOCIAL EVENT PLANNING – (Lauren Sugarman)

Prospective Director Sugarman relayed Director Halsted’s motion that the membership event being planned be paired with a charitable organization. A motion was made to investigate possible charities to approach. Motion made. Motion passed unanimously.

HOMELESS VETERAN TOWN HALL – (Scott Kaufman)

Director Kaufman attended the town hall and found conditions for vets discouraging and in need of improvement. The discussion was centered around ways the vets are brought on to campus with a “housing first” approach. The VA may try and build additional residences around the city. A master plan is still in development.

SUNSET BEAUTIFICATION – (David Wilson, Marc Fishman)

Director Fishman obtained a quote from Armstrong’s and will continue to research other options for landscaping while conferring with interested and contributing homeowners.

KENTER AND ALLENFORD – (Bruce Jugan)

The neighborhood watch meeting was well attended, but many neighbors commented on the danger of crossing in front of Paul Revere Middle School and also at Kenter. A motion was made to send a letter supporting evaluating the safety at these intersections and to approve a crossing guard at the two locations. Motion made. Motion seconded. Motion passed with two abstentions.

AIR B n’ B - (Adam Braun)

Councilmember Bonin is loosening regulations on the levels of restrictions on single family homes and allowed uses, which would include allowing transient residents to rent rooms in single family homes. A motion was made to write a letter opposing the Councilmember’s motion in its current form. Motion made. Motion seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

LUXE EVENT – (Leslie Vermut)

The event honoring Robert Rene will be held at the Luxe Hotel on July 9th at 6:30pm.

ARCHER SCHOOL - (Rod Liber, Ray Klein)

The board went into closed session.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:42 pm