

**Minutes of the General Board Meeting of the  
GRANADA HILLS SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (GHSNC)  
Thursday, April 8, 2010**

Patrick Henry Middle School, Library  
17340 San Jose Street, Granada Hills, CA 91344

**I. Call to order**

Presiding Officer Treasurer Brandon Schindelheim called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

**II. Roll Call**

Roll Call was taken by Secretary Glen Chester. Board Members present:

Brandon Schindelheim, Treasurer	Glen Chester, Secretary
Jerry Askew, Member-at-Large	David Bereznick, Member-at-Large
Julie Carson, Member-at-Large	Arthur Daush, Seniors (late)
Sally Kolstad, Education	Eric Mansker, Factual Basis
Lacy Reilly, Students	Sean Rivas, Parks
Bob Stevens, Homeowners	Mary Wang, Member-at-Large

Board Members absent: Dave Beauvais, President (exc), Brad Smith, Vice-President (exc), Kevin Boucher, Member-at-Large (unexcused); Bonnie Bursk, Commercial Prop. Owners (excused), Alexia Cirino, Faith-Based Groups (unexcused); Erin Grohman, Renters (unexcused); Shondrella Kester, Member-at-Large (unexcused), and Jim Summers, Business (unexcused).

Twelve of the 20 Board Members were present at the beginning of the Meeting, which is a quorum, so the Board could make Motions and take votes. Also attending were approximately 15 stakeholders and guests, excluding Parliamentarian Mike Kabo.

**III. Approval of the Minutes**

No corrections of the minutes were submitted.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Chester, seconded by Ms. Carson): to approve the Minutes of the March 11, 2010 General Board Meeting.

**MOTION PASSED** by a unanimous voice vote.

**IV. Seating of Board Members**

Al Abrams, Vice President of BONC, introduced himself, gave an introduction about himself and described the breadth of the territory that he represents. Mr. Abrams then swore in the new Board Members. Mr. Rivas handed out appreciation

certificates to the outgoing Board Members. A roll call vote was taken and 12 members were present and 5 absent.

Julie Carson, Brandon Schindelheim, David Bereznick, Jerry Askew, Eric Mansker, Sean Rivas, Arthur Daush, Michael Phillips, Ernest Boctor, Joel Lyle, Tiwinkle Khurana and Ross Turmell were present.

Jeremy Dunlap, Brad Smith, Erin Grohman, David Beauvais and Bonnie Bursk were absent.

Mr. Abrams then talked about the importance of the Neighborhood Council system in relation to the dire circumstances of the city of Los Angeles. Mr. Abrams estimated that the Neighborhood Council budget would remain the same at about \$45,000.00 per year. BONC is going to establish a mentoring system asking experienced Neighborhood Councilors to assist new or struggling Neighborhood Councils. Mr. Abrams encouraged Council Members to take the Ethics training. Mr. Abrams took questions from the Board and audience.

#### **V. Public Comment**

David Levine informed the council that 21,000 people voted in the three cycles of Neighborhood Council elections that have been held so far. Mr. Levine urged folks to contact Councilmembers Paul Krekorian and Greig Smith to support the Neighborhood Council. GH North Councilperson congratulated the Board Members.

#### **VI. Community Speakers**

Amelia Herrera Robles, D.O.N.E. representative, Semee Park, Council District 12 representative and Dario Del Core, LAPD Senior Lead Officer were not present.

Mr. Rivas relayed that Semee Park requested comments on the seven motions that Mr. Smith presented to the City Councils.

#### **VII. Board Issues & Updates**

Mr. Rivas moved and Mr. Mansker second the nomination of David Beauvais for President. A unanimous vote in favor.

Mr. Askew moved and Mr. Rivas seconded Brad Smith to be Vice President. A unanimous vote in favor.

Mr. Askew moved and Ms. Carson seconded Sean Rivas for Secretary. A unanimous in vote in favor.

Mr. Schindelhim gave the podium to Mr. Rivas. Ms. Carson moved and Mr. Mansker seconded Brandon Schindleheim as Treasurer. A unanimous vote in favor.

The following persons were appointed to their respective positions as follows: Michael Kabo, Parliamentarian, Sally Kolstad, Education Director, Alexia Cirino, Faith Based Director, Adam Platt, Renter, and Ross Turmell, Factual Basis Director. Unanimous vote in favor with Mr. Turmell abstaining.

Outreach Committee Members Sean Rivas, Chair, Julie Carson, Joel Lyle, Jett Dunlap, Erin Grohman were approved by unanimous vote.

PLUC Members Jerry Askew, Chair, Ross Turmell, Erick Mansker, Maria Fisk, Robert Stevens were approved by unanimous vote.

Public Safety and Emergency and Preparedness Members Dave Bereznick, Chair, Arthur Daush, Ernest Boctor, Michael Phillips were approved by unanimous vote.

Budget Committee Members (Mr. Rivas led the meeting for this nomination) Brandon Schindelheim, Chair, Sean Rivas, Sally Kolstad, Alexia Cirino, Brad Smith, were approved by unanimous vote.

Education Committee Members (Mr. Schindelheim resumed the chair) Julie Carson, Chair, Sally Kolstad and Tiwinkle Khurana were approved by unanimous vote.

Mr. Askew moved and Mr. Mansker seconded the motion for the Membership Committee to be discontinued and assign duties to the Outreach.

The vote to postpone discussion on this issue was unanimous.

Mr. Schindelheim skipped the Ad Hoc Environmental and Animal Concerns to next months meeting.

Mr. Askew and Mr. Mansker moved and seconded a motion to support Granada Hills Charter High School in their effort to make Regional High School #4 a part of the GHSCHS campus or to manage the school as a separate charter.

9 voted in favor, zero opposed and 2 abstained.

## **VIII. Committee Reports**

### **Outreach Committee** (Sean Rivas, chair)

Mr. Rivas gave a report on the Spring Egg Hunt. He stated that he is planning on having the Outreach meeting on the same Thursday as the Board meeting, prior to

the start of the Board meeting. Mr. Rivas also announced that the GH Recreation Center is having a spring carnival from April 16-18. Mr. Rivas stated that he hopes Mr. DeVandry's websmaster contract was extended by the City of Los Angeles.

**Planning & Land Use Committee** (Eric Mansker, chair)

Mr. Askew moved, Ms. Carson seconded: **MOTION**: to change the name of the Planning and Land Use Committee to the Planning and Land Use *Management* Committee.

10 voted in favor, zero opposed, one abstained.

Mr. Abrams from BONC continued with his City of Los Angeles update.

**IX. Board Member comments, announcements and Agenda Items for next General Meeting and Committee Meetings.**

Mr. Rivas handed out letters of congratulations from Supervisor Antonovich. Mr. Rivas touted the Spring Carnival at the GH Recreation Center. Mr. Rivas informed the council that there is a greater gang presence at the GH Recreation Center. Mr. Rivas requested that Board Members fill out a Board Member information sheet and return to him. Mr. Schindelheim reported on expenses spent and that the Rollover Funds documentation was submitted and we stated that we received \$5,000.00 from that process. Mr. Askew inquired what the entry values on the information sheet meant. Ms. Kolstad asked for information, ideas and needs for school environments.

**X. Adjournment**

**MOTION** (by Mr. Askew, seconded by Mr. Mansker): to **ADJOURN** the Meeting

**MOTION PASSED** without any objections.

The Meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 8:14 p.m.