



**CITY OF LOS ANGELES
GRANADA HILLS SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
GENERAL BOARD MEETING APPROVED MINUTES,**

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

Granada Hills Charter H.S., Rawley Hall, 10535 Zelzah Ave., Granada Hills, CA 91344
(Minutes Approved March 7, 2019)

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I. Call to order (Presiding officer)

President Beauvais called the Meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

II. Roll Call (Secretary)

Roll Call was taken by the Secretary. Ten of the 17 Board Members were present at the Roll Call: Dave Beauvais (President), Michael Benedetto (Vice-President), Jeffrey Bohrer, Julie Carson (Secretary), Maria Fisk, Sally Kolstad, Joel Lyle, Mark Morris, Brad Smith, and Rene Trinidad. One Board Member arrived later at 7:03 p.m., Brandon Schindelheim (Treasurer). Six Board Members were absent: Carlos Amador (excused), Bonnie Bursk (excused), Don Graham (excused), Sarah Tran (excused), Cindy Wu Freedman (excused), and Jett Dunlap (unexcused). The GHSNC quorum (the minimum number of Board Members needing to be present to take binding votes on agendized Items) is nine, so the Board could take such votes. All 17 Board Seats were filled (by election or appointment). No Board Seat was vacant. Also attended: approximately 20 stakeholders and guests.

III. Public Comment:

Bill Hopkins (Granada Hills North NC) spoke about the Emergency Preparation Coalition and that the Valley Disaster Preparation Fair will be held October 12 this year at the Northridge Mall. Mike Benedetto shared that the Granada Hills Chamber of Commerce will have its dinner event to honor the Citizen of the Year on March 28 at 6 pm.

IV. Community Speakers

A. Council District 12 (Matt Vallecilla)

Matthew Vallecilla, Field Deputy for L.A. City District 12 Councilman Greig Smith (818-882-1212; Matthew.Vallecilla@LACity.org); reported the councilman is having a meet and greet on February 25 and brought a flyer with specific details. Four NC members can attend.

B. Senior Lead Officer, LAPD or alternate rep (Officer DelCore/Richard Fisk)
an LAPD Devonshire Division Senior Lead Officer (office 818-756-9011, x1727), reported that there was a neighborhood watch meeting last week. There have been car break ins along Rinaldi and more activity around Petit Park. He also

spoke about the Basic Car meeting, the RV Impound Task Force, the first homicide occurring in Chatsworth this year, and that issues re the homeless on Balboa south of Chatsworth were taken care of today. There will be coffee with the captain on February 23 in the Knollwood Shopping Center Starbucks from 9-11 a.m.

- C. Budget Rep and advocates (Cindy Wu Freedman, Glenn Baily, Brian Allen)
Brian Allen reported that there is nothing new to report. They will be producing a white paper which will be released soon and that they expect to meet with the Mayor soon. He reminded us to save the date for the next Congress of Neighborhood Councils on September 28.
- D. DONE Representative (Jose Galdamez)
Jose reported that there will be a workshop for stakeholders on how to become more involved on February 27. It will include how to find job opportunities and run for higher office. It will be at 543 North Fairfax in Mid City in Los Angeles. There will be a Rally in the Valley from 10-12 p.m. at the "Onion" at 9552 Haskell Ave, North Hills with presentations on how to run for NC.
- E. Congressman Tony Cardenas (Deputy Lucia Senda)
Did not attend/no report.
- F. Ankur Patel; comments on LAUSD vote to place a cap on charter schools
Ankur explained the school board resolution to place a moratorium on authorizing more charter schools in LAUSD. The resolution is asking the governor to do a study on the charter process: who's authorizing, admissions policy, accountability. There's been polarization and through the resolution is a hope for more conversation and dialogue on this issue.

V. Approval of minutes for the January 3, 2019 regular meeting

The following correction(s) to the January 3, 2019 General Board Meeting Minutes was requested:

Page 6, Item VIII under Outreach Committee: "even" should read "event".

MOTION moved by Julie Carson, seconded by Jeffrey Bohrer: The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council [GHSNC] approves the Minutes of its January 3, 2019 General Board Meeting with the following corrections above.

MOTION PASSED by a hand vote with ten in favor / zero opposed/ two abstained (the GHSNC does not count abstentions)

VI. Budget Issues

A. Approval of Budget report and Monthly Expenditures for December 2018.

Mr. Schindelheim distributed and reviewed the GHSNC "Monthly Expenditure Report" and the "[GHSNC] Budget Report FY for December 2018.

FUNDING MOTION moved by Mr. Schindelheim, seconded by Dave Beauvais. The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council approves its Monthly Expenditure Report for December 2018.

DISCUSSION: no public or board discussion.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the ten eligible voters present with ten in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Fisk, Kolstad, Lyle, Morris, Schindelheim, Smith, and Trinidad; zero opposed; zero abstained. Julie Carson was out of the room for the vote.

VII. Board Issues

- A. Discussion and possible action to approve an NPG from the Granada Hills Charter High School ASL program in the amount of \$1500. The funds will go towards a movie project by ASL students.

FUNDING MOTION moved by Dave Beauvais and seconded by Jeffrey Bohrer: The GHSNC approves a Neighborhood Purposes Grant for the Granada Hills Charter High School ASL program in the amount of \$1,500.

DISCUSSION: Public: Presentation by Maria Smith, Kim Brown, and ASL students from GH Charter HS about how the money will be used.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the eleven eligible voters present with ten in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Carson, Fisk, Kolstad, Lyle, Morris, Schindelheim, and Trinidad; zero opposed (“No” or “Nay”); one recusal (Smith).

- B. Discussion regarding current candidate registration period (January 19-February 19, 2019), candidate forum, and May 4, 2019 election.

Dave Beauvais reported that nine candidates have filed to run for board seats so far, and reminded everyone that candidate registration closes February 19. We may have a candidate forum prior to the May 4 election, and we’ll be sending postcard mailers to stakeholders in the neighborhood boundaries a couple of weeks before the election.

- C. Discussion and possible action to approve up to \$500 to support the Granada Hills Recreation Center Annual egg hunt.

FUNDING MOTION moved by Dave Beauvais, seconded by Rene Trinidad: The GHSNC approves up to \$500 to support the Granada Hills Recreation Center Annual egg hunt.

DISCUSSION: No public or board comment

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the eleven eligible voters present with eleven in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Carson, Fisk, Kolstad, Lyle, Morris, Schindelheim, Smith, and Trinidad); zero opposed (“No” or “Nay”) no abstentions.

VIII. Committee Reports

[The following sub-section first paragraphs are copied from the Agenda.]

Planning and Land Use Management (Maria Fisk)

MOTION: The GHSNC will allocate \$6,000 and create an ad hoc Committee to draw up requirements and a scope of work for an internship program with the CSUN CSBS [College of Social and Behavioral Sciences] , to begin as soon as practical given the university’s academic schedule

Ms. Fisk explained that this would help the community because some of the proposals we have to deal with are thousands of pages long. This would be an official internship for a grad student at CSUN ~ 20 hours of student work/week along with 4 hours of professor time. This would be a pilot project for our NC. It would be subject to approval by the city because it's over \$5,000.

Public discussion: none.

Board discussion: There was some confusion about when this work would be done – was this a motion for this year or next. To clarify the motion, and amendment was moved by Julie Carson and seconded by Brad Smith to insert the words “for the 2019-2020 fiscal year” after the words “ad hoc Committee” in the original motion. Subsequently, there was discussion about allocating funds for next year in this motion; we'd have to have a motion next year anyway to allocate funds. A second amendment was then moved by Mike Benedetto, seconded by Jeffery Bohrer to strike “allocate \$6,000 and”.

Amendment 1 was passed by a hand vote, eight in favor, three opposed, and no one abstaining.

Amendment 2 was also passed by a hand vote, ten in favor, one opposed, and no one abstaining.

THE MOTION, which now reads “The GHSNC will create an ad hoc Committee for the 2019-2020 fiscal year to draw up requirements and a scope of work for an internship program for an internship program with the CSUN CSBS [College of Social and Behavioral Sciences] to begin as soon as practical given the university's academic schedule” **WAS PASSED** by a hand vote with eight in favor, two opposed, and one abstention.

President Dave Beauvais appointed Brad Smith, Mike Kabo, and Maria Smith to the ad hoc committee for this project.

Outreach (Mike Benedetto)

Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of up to \$4,500 in Outreach give-away items for use at 2019 community events.

FUNDING MOTION moved by Mike Benedetto, seconded by Mark Morris: The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council approves the purchase of up to \$4,500 in Outreach give-away items for use at 2019 community events.

DISCUSSION: There was no discussion.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the eleven eligible voters present with eleven in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Carson, Fisk, Kolstad, Lyle, Morris, Schindelheim, Smith, and Trinidad).

Beautification Committee (Joel Lyle)

Progress Report on Caltrans yard project at the 118 freeway and tree trimming project. Progress report on tree trimming project. Discussion on possible Off Leash Dog Park.

Mike Benedetto reported that Senator Hertzberg says that the fence west of Balboa Blvd by the freeway on/offramp will be repaired. The proposal is for a sign with scenes depicting the area – deodar trees, the town clock, parks, schools. We have met with Caltrans about this project.

IX. Board Member comments and submission of agenda items.

Jeffrey Bohrer reported that he will not be running for re-election. He will contact people and encourage them to run. Brad Smith suggested a CD 12 candidates forum, and that we have a public issue forum instead of a meeting sometime. Dave Beauvais said that our June meeting is usually on the same day as GHCHS graduation, and that perhaps we should combine our June/July meetings. Rene Trinidad stated that he will not be running for re-election. Mark Morris suggested obtaining the aid of the League of Women Voters to put on a candidates forum, and he also made a comment about charter schools that he couldn't make earlier.

X. Adjournment

MOTION to ADJOURN moved by Mr. Bohrer and seconded by Mr. Smith

MOTION to ADJOURN PASSED unanimously by a voice vote with eleven in favor.

Mr. Beauvais declared and the Board agreed to **ADJOURN** the Meeting at 8:48 p.m.

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