General Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 20, 2011, 7:00pm
Hamilton Senior High School Cafeteria
2955 S. Robertson Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90034

NOTE: Full vote counts for this meeting are unavailable due to theft of the recording computer.

I. Call to Order and Roll Call
SORO NC Board President Doug Fitzsimmons called the meeting to order at 7:15.

Board Members Present: Harold Bock, Robyn Braun (8:00), Bette Billet, Michael Lynn, Nick Burkhart, Armando Roman, Nahed Guirguis, Terrence Gomes, Brian Kite, Barry Levine, Troy Richardson, Marjan Safinia, Martin Epstein, Victor Mitry, Doug Fitzsimmons, Erick Morales

Board Members Absent: Rachel Lester, Kimber Smith, Paula Waxman, Benjamin Bellet, Sam Jagger, Susan Burden

Guests: Mario Gonzalez, David Giron

II. General Public Comment
No discussion.

II. Community Briefing and Discussion
Beth Ryan and several of Stepping Forward’s participants presented a summary of Stepping Forward’s summer program.

III. Old Business
Confirmation of Board committee memberships and absence requests (GB102011-1)
No board members have requested an official absence for October 2011. There were no requests to join/leave committees.

Draft Board Meeting Minutes of September 15, 2011 (Burkhart / GB102011-2).
• Vote: Requests approved by general consent.

Treasurer Report and vote to approve monthly expenses (Gomes / GB102011-3).
• Vote: Report approved by roll call vote.

IV. Community Reports
LAPD Report. Senior Lead Officer Mario Gonzalez presented a report on behalf of the LAPD.

Office of Councilmember Wesson. No report.


Office of the Mayor. No report.
Office of Senator Price. No report.

Robertson Recreation Center. No report.

V. Committee Reports

Executive. Doug presented a report on behalf of the Executive Committee.

Land Use. Terry presented a report on behalf of the Land Use Committee.

Education. Barry presented a report on behalf of the Education Committee.

Green Team. No report.

Public Safety. Mike presented a report on behalf of the Public Safety Committee.

Outreach. Marj presented a report on behalf of the Outreach Committee.

Bylaws. Brian presented a report on behalf of the Bylaws Committee.

VI. New Business

Funding SORO NC Town Hall 2011 up to $750. (Safinia / GB102011-4).
  • Vote: Motion approved.

Support variance for Eilat Bakery. (Gomes / GB102011-5).
  • Vote: Motion approved.

Support an EIR for Marina Del Rey (Gomes / GB102011-6).
During discussion, the motion was amended to read:

  The South Robertson Neighborhoods Council supports the need for comprehensive EIRs (or equivalent) that consider the regional impacts on the City of Los Angeles and the cumulative regional impact of constructing new developments on LA County lands or lands in neighboring cities.

  • Vote: Motion approved.

Motion to support the Music Academy in the Glee Give A Note Contest (Morales / GB102011-7).
During discussion, item 1 of the motion was amended to read:

  Write a letter on SORO NC letterhead to support and promote the Music Academy’s Glee Give A Note candidacy.

  • Vote: Motion approved.

Motion to spend up to $200 to purchase business cards for new Board members (Fitzsimmons / GB102011-8).
• Vote: Motion approved.

Motion to eliminate redundant standing rules on runoff elections and abstentions (Fitzsimmons / GB102011-9).
• Vote: Motion approved.

Motion to add Board Development responsibilities to the Secretary position (Fitzsimmons / GB102011-10).
• Vote: Motion approved by greater than 2/3 of the Board members present.
Motion to clarify official actions in the bylaws (Fizsimmons / GB102011-11).
  • Vote: Motion approved by greater than 2/3 of the Board members present.

Motion to add Board Development responsibilities to the Secretary position (Fizsimmons / GB102011-12).
  • Action: Duplicate of motion GB102011-10; Motion withdrawn.

Motion to change eligible voters in the bylaws (Fizsimmons / GB102011-13).
  • Vote: Motion approved by greater than 2/3 of the Board members present.

Motion to allow an alternate Board selection process if the City Clerk cannot conduct an election (Fizsimmons / GB102011-14).
  • Vote: Motion approved by greater than 2/3 of the Board members present.

VII. Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.
## Current Committee Membership

Board members must attend at least 7 committee meetings within a 12 month period.

Note that Bylaws, Econ Revitalization, and Board Development meet infrequently. Those three ad hoc committees may only have 6 voting members.

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