



Green Team Committee Minutes

Wednesday, April 10, 2013, 7:00pm

Meetings end at 8:30pm unless the committee votes to end earlier or extend the time

Hamilton Senior High School Cafeteria

ROOM 607, LAB BUILDING (BUILDING BEHIND ADMINISTRATION BLDG.)

2955 S. Robertson Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90034

I. Call to order and Roll Call

- a. **Board Committee Members Present:** Larry Hess, Saran Kirschbaum, Paula Waxman,
- b. **Committee Members Present:** Karen Smith-Laramay, Anne Geffner
- c. **Community Members Present:** Neal Shapiro
- d. **Committee Members Absent:** Barry Levine, Anne Sutton, Charmaine Colina, Martin Epstein, Elisa Leonelli
- e.

II. General Public Comment

III. New Business

- a. CLEAN WATER CLEAN BEACHES MEASURE, guest speakers
- b. Neal Shapiro
 - i. Two storm water fees exist in Santa Monica. 2nd fee passed by voters in 2006.
 - ii. LA County has a flood fee, so in total SM residents have 3 fees.
 - iii. There also is an ordinance that requires an infiltration pit or pump and filtration.
 - iv. Low flow diversion, when it's not raining, all watering gets diverted so doesn't flow into the ocean.
 - v. New projects:
 - Any new construction needs a cistern. Example, Pico Library.
 - All chemicals that are used in SM city facilities have to be approved.
 - Also finishing up the new gardens in city hall.
 - Metro had to install run off catch basins.
 - Santa Monica has a new policy that they want to be self-sufficient with water by 2020.
 - Neal believes the LA County Fee is not the best approach. Adds too much bureaucracy. It's more efficient for a city to have it's on fee imposed.
 - vi. Does the Water Quality Board assess each city? Yes, each city reports to the board on water quality.
 - vii. Storm drain devices will be installed along the Pico corridor to catch the trash.
- c. Heal the Bay, not present.
- d. SoRo Festival Planning: Booth Ideas
 - i. LA Conservation Corps Tree Give Away. Larry to contact Million Trees LA or LA Conservation Corps to get approval.
 - ii. Compost Bin Sale
 - iii. Worm Bin Sale
 - iv. Plant sale
 - Larry to see if Veterans Grow Native Nursery will donate plants.
 - Larry to look into C&S Nursery
 - Raffle away prizes.
 - v. SoRo Spring Garden Tour in 2014.
 - Let's start a virtual Tour.

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IV. Old Business

- a. Pico Tree Planting on April 28:
- b. Hami Garden update
- c. Metro Tour update

V. Adjournment

Notes:

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