



# Green Team Committee Minutes

Thursday, May 5, 2016 at 6:30

Robertson Library

1719 S. Robertson Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90035

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## I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

**Board Committee Members Present:** Jon Liberman, Paula Waxman, Barry Levine,  
**Community Committee Members Present:** Anne Geffner, Saran Kirschbaum,  
Yvette Edidin

**Committee Members Absent:** Martin Epstein, Noa Zur, Giovanni Ferdinand, Siri  
Gopal Singh, Nicole Zwiren, Karen Laramay

## II. General Public Comment

a. Paula announced that the Soro Election is coming up on June 5<sup>th</sup>. One may vote on line : go to [soronc.org/vote](http://soronc.org/vote). Register first from now to 5/31. To register you will have to provide a foto id on line. If you fail to register on line, you may vote at the Soro Fest on June 5<sup>th</sup>. On line voting opens 5/15 and goes to 6/5

b. Barry Levine announced a [350.org](http://350.org) "Break Free "(from fossil fuel) march on Los Angeles City Hall May 14, 2016 — 1:00pm 200 N. Spring Street Paula will be going. Anyone wishing to join her may contact her by email. Los Angeles, CA For more information : [la.breakfree2016.org](http://la.breakfree2016.org).

c. Jon Liberman and Saran Kirschbaum announced that there will be a car show in Culver City this weekend.

d. Jon Liberman said that the construction on the car wash being built on Robertson and 24<sup>th</sup> street is being held up because of work that must be done on the sidewalk. They can't do this work because it might compromise a parkway tree. Paula will call Liz to see what can be done.

e. Aimee Zeltzer has resigned from both the Soro Board and Green Team Committee.

## III. Old Business

- a. Trees on Pico and Robertson: Motion, Paula to write motion asking to trim the Pico and Robertson trees planted by the Soro NC in the amount of \$2600 for Robertson Trees, and \$750 for Pico Trees. Also Paula, to write a second motion to remove the dead ficus trees at Alcott and Robertson.
- b. Paula has guidelines on how to protect trees during construction that she brought for Siri Gopal Singh who has agreed to monitor the trees at the rec. center construction site.
- c. Green Team Newsletter: Motion to allow Paula to approve of the Newsletter final design once it comes in from Doug Fitzsimmons.
- d. Green Building Checklist: Yvette has agreed to contact the architect on the Land Use Committee to help us draw up a checklist of green building guidelines framed on LEED certification. Paula will get the name and contact information of the committee member.

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- e. Outstanding Green Citizenship Award: Paula discussed those under consideration: Ralphs Grocery Market and Saran Kirschbaum. There was a motion to bestow the award on Saran Kirschbaum, Passed unanimously! 6 yes, 0 no.
- f. ECO CAR EXPO is coming along! Paula reported that we have enough EV's and EV hybrids to have an expo.
- g. Athens has agreed to supply the Green Team Booth with 200 bags of organic compost again this year.
- h. Festival Volunteers: Saran, Ann have volunteered to help the day of.
- i. Speakers Forum: it was decided that we would like to put on a speakers program. Yvette Edidin will help put the program together. Topic, place, and number of speakers to be decided. Etc.
- j. Cap and Trade Funds: Paula reported that she was unable to attend the public metro meeting due to a conflict with the meeting of the Soro General Board. However she spoke to Jon Hillmer and his assistant at Metro who filled her in the plans to connect the new and redesigned Metro stops to Century City and Beverly Hills. Essentially, the only changes will be made to the Robertson bus line. It will run every ½ hour instead of every hour from 7am to 9pm.. However, it will turn right on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and run downtown. Currently no city buses will connect the Expo to Century City with the exception of a Santa Monica Blue Bus and possibly a Culver City bus.
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#### IV. New Business

Item proposed for "New Business" in June: How to encourage environmental education into the public schools.

#### V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm