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GVGC BOARD MEETING - MINUTES

MONDAY July 11, 2016 7:00 pm

Los Angeles Valley College, Fireside Room.

5800 Fulton Avenue, Valley Glen, CA 91401

OFFICERS

- Carlos Ferreyra - **PRESIDENT**
- Sloan Myrick - **VICE-PRESIDENT**
- Joanne D'Antonio - **SECRETARY**
- Rich Pisani - **TREASURER**

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BOARD MEMBERS

Alan Aklean	Douglas Breidenbach
Jean Chadwick	Joanne D'Antonio
Maria Denis	Carlos Ferreyra
Stanley Friedman	Walter Hall
Zev Hurwitz	Mickey Jannol
Malky Kertis	Kendall McCollum
Sloan Myrick	Rich Pisani
Robert Sandoval	Kathleen Schwartz
Linda Wehrli	

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~ GVGC QUORUM IS 13 BOARD MEMBERS ~

(Secretary's note: #s of items below match #s in published agenda for this meeting.)

1. **CALL TO ORDER by C. Ferreyra at 7:06 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance, Silence for those who passed away this past week.**
30 public attendees, plus Sahag Yedalian, Field Representative for CD 2 Office
 4. **Presentation by Dean Abston and Waltona Manon of the Valley Glen Neighborhood Association:** Wrap up of jointly-sponsored (along with CD 2) Valley Glen Spring Festival, including video presentation. C. Ferreyra indicated we would form a joint ad hoc committee at the end of the calendar year to start earlier on co-sponsoring the festival for next spring.
 2. **Board Roll Call (13 Present: A. Aklean (aka A. Aklyan) D. Breidenbach, J. Chadwick, J. D'Antonio, C.Ferreyra, S. Friedman, W. Hall, Z. Hurwitz, M. Jannol, S. Myrick, R. Pisani, R. Sandoval, L. Wehrli)**
 3. Board approval of Mr. Mario Navas to replace At-Large seat vacated by Marky Alvarez. Seat was vacated via resignation. Approved unanimously. **Mario Navas was seated bringing Board attendance for this meeting up to 14 Board members present.**
 5. **Public Safety Committee Chair Jean Chadwick presented Valley Glen Traffic Safety Forum with guest Motor Officer Steve Rausch of the Valley Traffic Division.** Explanation of how the lack of speed limit surveys can hinder officers' ability to give speeding tickets.
 6. **L.A.P.D. Senior Lead Reports.**
 9. **Motions Made under Committee -
Planning and Land Use – Doug Breidenbach, Chair**
- PLUM a.**
MOTION FOR BOARD ACTION: The PLUM Committee recommends the approval the application for the renewal of the extension the existing CUB permission for the sale of beer and wine at the 7 Eleven retail store at the southwest corner of Oxnard and Woodman in Valley Glen. There have been no complaints regarding this legal and approved business operation.
D. Breidenbach moved and C. Ferreyra seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- PLUM b.**
MOTION FOR BOARD APPROVAL: The PLUM Committee strongly opposes the application for approval from the Army Corps of Engineers and the City Department of Recreation and Parks to allow the use of the Sepulveda Wildlife Reserve and adjacent park facilities for the "Angelfest" rock festival to be held in 2017, 2018, and 2019. The damage to the bird sanctuary and surrounding parkland is not appropriate to the current use of the land, and further has not undergone the appropriate reviews that should have been required. Parking for this event is proposed at the Valley College site, so it would impact our community.
D. Breidenbach moved and W. Hall seconded.
Jack Walner of the Audobon Society and others spoke for the motion. Motion passed 12 yes, 0 no, 2 abstain (Z. Hurwitz, S. Myrick), 4 absent.
- 7. Approval of minutes postponed by President to next Board meeting. Minutes not distributed. Next meeting to have minutes from March, May and July to approve.
- 5. April, May, June MERs to be approved at next meeting. C. Ferreyra moved and D. Breidenbach seconded to approve MERs for February and March 2016. Motion passed 12 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain (M. Navas), 1 ineligible.
- 7. Government Representative Reports. Sahag Yedalian of Councilman Kerkorian's office reported that astroturf soccer fields are being installed in the park near Valley Plaza. He asked for upkeep on Valley Glen signs.



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8. Public Comments on Items not on the Agenda: NONE

9. Motions made under Committee

Government Relations – W. Hall, Chair

a. **MOTION FOR BOARD ACTION:** The GVGC supports AB 1594. Said bill, beginning January 1, 2018, prohibits smoking and the use of a tobacco product, including e-cigarettes, on any campus of the California State University or the California Community Colleges. We recognize the health hazards involved in smoking, both in its primary and secondary effects, and the annoyance, inconvenience, and the discomfort it entails. Additionally, the GVGC request the support of this bill from Assembly Representative A. Nazarian.

(Motion amended to read Senator Robert Hertzberg instead of the assemblyman because the motion is in the State Senate.)

W. Hall moved and J. D'Antonio seconded. Motion passed unanimously. (14 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 4 absent)

b. Board approval of Walter Hall to assume the position of GVGC DWP representative. Motion passed unanimously. (14 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 4 absent)

Parks. Community Improvements and Medians – S. Myrick, Chair

a. **MOTION FOR BOARD ACTION:** Motion approving spent costs of \$750.00 for Movie in the Park on June 25th, 2016. Motion withdrawn.

b. **MOTION FOR BOARD ACTION:** Motion to approve allocation up to \$750 for the Movie Night at the Park to be shown on August 2 2016 (National Night Out) at Valley Glen Community Park (the "Park"). Movie to be decided by the Committee.

a) \$200 for flyer production and delivery

b) Up to \$250 for refreshments;

c) Up to \$35 for food for volunteers

d) \$15 for movie

e) \$250 for portable toilet rental including ADA compliant toilet

S. Myrick moved and C. Ferreyra seconded. S. Yedalian said Council Office can pay for toilet. Motion passed. (12 yes, 1 no J. D'Antonio, 0 abstain, 1 ineligible, 4 absent)

c. **MOTION FOR BOARD ACTION:** Motion to approve the expenditure of no more than \$500 for the purchase of pet waste bags (2 boxes/1800 bags each) to refill the 6 pet waste stations installed in the Valley Glen parks. Corrected to 6400 bags for under \$300.

S. Myrick moved and R. Sandoval seconded.

Request was made for biodegradable bags and another box for bags at Laurelgrove Park to be refilled by W. Hall and another at Victory to be refilled by R. Sandoval.

Motion passed. (12 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain J. D'Antonio, 1 ineligible, 4 absent)

d. **MOTION FOR BOARD ACTION:** Motion to approve spending up to \$1000 for event-related items—

a) 2 flashlights

b) 2 talkie-talkies

c) 2 electrical cords

d) 3 additional banners publicizing Movie in the Park

e) Electric generator servicing/tune-up.

S. Myrick moved and J. Chadwick seconded. Motion passed (13 yes, 1 ineligible, 4 absent)

Outreach – Kendall McCollum, Chair.

a. Kendall McCollum has resigned from the Board. No motions submitted

b. C. Ferreyra reported that there is a mock up of our banners and City approval of sites is needed. Committee working with Council Office. R. Pisani reported that the price has changed.

Arts and Education – Linda Wehrli, Chair

No motions submitted. Committee will discuss more projects for Jack London at next meeting.

The Little Libraries project has not been approved for this year due to park renovation issues.

10. Board member comments on items not on agenda

J. D'Antonio reported on NC Plancheck meeting held July 9 with speaker from Metro regarding upcoming transit plans. She also reported on NC Sustainability Alliance meeting July 9 which was focused on advocacy.

11. President's comments: Should have Committee Meeting locations by end of week, though may have to rent space.

MOTION FOR BOARD APPROVAL: Board approval of no more than \$750.00 for breakfast and lunch for Teen Summit at Los Angeles Valley College. This is part of an international Teen meeting in which social issues are addressed by local teens and solutions are discussed through media connections with other teens meeting around the world. Public information videos are then produced by the teens addressing the issues discussed. Motion passed. (13 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 ineligible, 4 absent)

13. Adjournment motion. D. Breidenbach moved and S. Myrick seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**Next GVGC Board meeting will be held Monday, August 1, 2016 Los Angeles Valley College, Campus Center, Fireside Room
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