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GVGC BOARD MEETING - MINUTES

MONDAY August 1, 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	Mario Navas
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 7:02 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance

5 public attendees, plus Sahag Yedalian, Field Representative for CD 2 Office. Talene Demenjian for Assemblyman Nazarian, Barry Stone, DONE

2. Board Roll Call (13 Present: A. Aklean (aka A. Aklyan) D. Breidenbach, J. D'Antonio, M. Denis, C.Ferreyra, W. Hall, Z. Hurwitz, M. Jannol, S. Myrick, M. Navas, R. Pisani, R. Sandoval, L. Werhli).

Kathleen Schwartz removed (3 absences in 6 months as of tonight).

4. Treasurer's Report

Last fiscal year we gave back \$653.33 of our budget.

This year's budget is \$37,000. The extra \$5,000 was granted for one year (last year).

Street banners cost was counted in last year.

R. Pisani moved, C Ferreyra seconded to accept budget mers for April, May, June, July Passed unanimously.

(12 yes, 1 ineligible)

VGNA Festival made \$800.

(S. Friedman arrived 7:10 p.m.)

R. Pisani moved, C Ferreyra seconded for approval of \$73.45 for logo banner for events. Passed unanimously

(13 yes, 1 ineligible)

R. Pisani moved and S. Myrick seconded to approve \$150 for June movie expense. Motion passed.

(12 yes, 1 ineligible, 1 abstain J.D'Antonio)

5. L.A.P.D. Senior Lead Reports. (2 reports)

(J. Chadwick arrived 7:20 p.m.)

8. Motions Made under Committee – Arts and Education – Linda Wehrli, Chair

a. Motion for Board approval for the expenditure of no more than \$500.00 for Native Plants for the Jack London CDS Native Plant program. Motion withdrawn.

b. Motion for Board approval for the expenditure of no more than \$500.00 for Garden Design by Lisa Novack from Theodore Payne foundation for the Jack London student work study program. Motion withdrawn.

c. Motion for Board approval for the expenditure of no more than \$150.00 for paint and materials to have Jack London paint a mural in the Fern Garden. Motion withdrawn.



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11. President's Comments

- a. **Motion for Board approval** of \$ 1175.00 for the installation of 6 Neighborhood Watch sign posts in concrete by LA City personnel. C. Ferreyra moved and S. Myrick seconded. Motion passed. (14 yes, 1 ineligible)
- b. **Motion for Board approval** of expenditure of no more than 1400.00 for one year (July 2016 to July 2017) storage unit payment. C. Ferreyra moved and S. Myrick seconded. Motion passed. (14 yes, 1 ineligible)

7. Public Comments on Items not on the Agenda. – Dana Chotliner Outreach Presenter LAVC Workforce Training. Free Courses skills for what employers want. chotindl@lavc.edu

6. Government Representatives Reports.

- Talene Dermenjian: Assemblyman Nazarian introduced AB 2035 for Restoration of LA River. Aug. 6th is 36th annual Government day in Panarama City.
- Sahag Yedalian: 2hr parking signs went up on Coldwater Cyn. Blvd. Grants available for Neighborhood clean-ups (reimbursements). DWP construction on Whittsett – no parking between Amelita and Burbank Blvd. Will come to next Parks meeting.
- Barry Stone: Newly assigned to us by DONE. New City Attorney for NCs is Elise Ruden elise.ruden@lacity.org 213 978-8132. Homelessness liason to be appointed in September. New rule that minutes on website required. The bylaws moratorium is lifted so okay to make changes now.
3. Board approval of minutes. J. D'Antonio moved and D. Breidenbach seconded to approve minutes of two March 14 Board meetings. Motion passed unanimously.
- J. D'Antonio moved and D. Breidenbach seconded to approve minutes of May 2. Motion passed unanimously to approve with one correction (replace "entertainment" with "education")
- J. D'Antonio moved and C. Ferreyra seconded to approve minutes of July 11. Motion passed unanimously to approve with one correction (replace "entertainment" with "education")

8. Motions Made under Committee and Committee Reports

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

- a. **Possible motion for Board approval**: Report on BMC Landscaping for median maintenance. Motion withdrawn
- b. **volunteer sign-ups for August 2, 2016 Movie in the Park event**. Signup sheet will be passed out.

Planning and Land Use – Doug Breidenbach, Chair

1. Old carwash at Woodman and Victory to be mixed use 64 units and stores.
2. Victory Plaza to have new stores next to CVS

Safety Committee – J. Chadwick, Chair

Fireworks complaints, Neighborhood Watch can utilize NextDoor.com. Vision Zero Workshop

Government Relations – W. Hall, Chair

DWP Report – Change of governance at DWP

J.D'Antonio: NC Sustainability Alliance has formed Working Groups dedicated to various issues.
Project at Macy's site issues.

Outreach --

- a. Kendall McCollum, Chair has resigned from the Board.
- b. **Motion for Board approval** C. Ferreyra as Chair. L. Wehrli moved and M. Denis seconded. Motion passed unanimously
- c. Street Banners update. Copy of banner has to go to City Council
- d. Website Maintenance update – Steven Box at DONE says we have to pay for another server.
Calendar problems with current webmaster.

10. Board member comments on items not on agenda

Need venue for Committee meetings – no meetings when school is not in session. St. Francis Church next to Vallerta suggested.

13. Adjournment motion. R. Pisani moved and S. Myrick seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

**Next GVGNC Board meeting will be held Monday, September 12, 2016 Los Angeles Valley College, Campus Center, Fireside Room
5800 Fulton Avenue, Valley Glen, CA 91401(Location subject to change)**