

**Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council
General Meeting Minutes
for
Tuesday, October 12, 2010
6:30pm – 8:30pm**

**Villa Scalabrini Retirement Center
10631 Vinedale Street
Sun Valley, CA 91352**

Board Member	Title	Status
Angelica Dueñas	President	Present
Imelda Padilla	1 st Vice President	Absence excused
Mike O’Gara	2 nd Vice President	Absence excused
Robert Lim	Treasurer	Present
Julie Monroy	Secretary	Present
Susan A. Bartlett	Board Member	Present
Monica Vacas	Board Member	Present
Elidia Vasquez	Board Member	Present
Karina Garcia Valles	Board Member	Present
Art Kalantarian	Board Member	Absence excused
Vic Hernandez	Board Member	Present
Gerry Prieto	Board Member	Present
George Ron Dahlquest	Board Member	Absent
Guy Dionne	Board Member	Present
Linda Housden	Board Member	Present
Nicholas Dalton Pawle	Board Member	Present
Fern Romans	Board Member	Present
Danny Bejarano	Board Member	Present
Dalia Galvan	Board Member	Present
Carmen Perez	Board Member	Present
Luis Medina	Board Member	Present
Wesley Hernandez	Board Member	Absent
Gary Aggas	Board Member	Present

ITEM 1: Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Code of Civility, Roll Call

- Angelica Dueñas called the meeting to order at approximately 6:34 p.m.
- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and SVANC’s code of civility was also recited
- Angelica Dueñas took roll

ITEM 2: Opening Remarks (President)

- Ms. Dueñas reminded fellow Board members to please speak into the microphone for clarity when transcribing minutes.
- Ms. Dueñas reminded fellow board members to complete the Ethics and Open Government training workshop which can be found online at the website under Item 2A. The deadline for elected board members to take this workshop is March 2011 and is good for two years.

ITEM 2A: Reminder for the members of the SVANC to complete Ethics and Open

Minutes were approved as amended by the Board at the general meeting held on April 12, 2011
Government Training for City Officials. Please visit:
<http://ethics.lacity.org/education/education.cfm>

ITEM 3: Emergency Personnel from Fire and Police Departments (Officer Esther Vasquez, Senior Lead Officer, and Officer Michelle Rodriguez, Senior Lead Officer.

- Officer Vasquez announced that there were a total of 20 Part I Crimes from 09/26/10 – 10/02/10. Officer Vasquez emphasized the importance of keeping all personal property in trunk or out of sight, all doors and windows locked, to be aware of your surroundings at all times and to be extra vigilant this season since the holidays are approaching.
- Officer Vasquez announced that the Foothill Area Jeopardy program has joined forces with Big Jim's Family Restaurant to raise funds for the Jeopardy program on October 28th, 2010 from 2:00 pm – 9:00 pm, a percentage of every customer's purchase will be donated to this program.
- Officer Vasquez also stated that the LAPD Central Traffic Division will hold its COPS4TOTS car show event on October 24th, 2010, 8am – 4pm, at Los Angeles Police Academy, 1880 N. Academy Road. Free admission and proceeds will benefit Children's Hospital Los Angeles and other Children's Charities.

ITEM 4: Presentation/announcements from **elected officials** or their representatives

- Louie Sanchez, Assembly member Fuentes, announced that the Assemblyman welcomes any and all communications to him from stakeholders regarding community concerns and issues.
- Gemma, Senator Padilla, announced a free event on (information was inaudible)
- Mary Benson, CD2-Councilman Krekorian, announced an amateur film festival competition for high school students organized by the Councilman. Submissions are due on April 12th, 2011. For more information on the application process please contact Herad at 213- 473-7002 or www.lasmf.lacity.org

ITEM 4A: Dan Rosales Jr., Planning Director with the Office of Councilmember Richard Alarcon on behalf of the SFV Veterans Day Parade Committee will speak regarding the 7th Annual San Fernando Valley Veterans Day Parade.

- Mr. Rosales announced that the Veterans Day Parade will be held on Thursday, November 11, 2010 in honor of the veterans from all branches of the Armed Forces. He added that Admiral Michael g. Mullen, U.S. Navy, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff will be the 2010 Grand Marshal.
- Mr. Rosales asked the SVANC board for financial support for this parade. He added that SVANC's logo would be included on the main Parade's banners which would be displayed on the side one of the car's that will be part of the parade, on the program and on t-shirts for a minimum of \$300 - \$1,000 donation. These funds will also be used to pay for 15 portable restrooms of which 7 will be ADA Wheelchair Accessible and 7 for regular service.
- Mr. Rosales, also invited all Board member's to join in the parade by riding on one of the antique cars which will be assigned for SVANC.
- Mr. Rosales said that anyone interested in donating funds, becoming a volunteer or for any questions to please call Albert Melena at (818) 837-7787 or via email amelena@sfpvp.org.

ITEM 5 : Public Comment:

- Jean Lee, Sun Valley H. Science Teacher, gave an update on the projects the Leadership Academy students have been working on: including reusable bags, the creation of a succulent garden on the school campus, and how to increase the use of recyclable materials on campus. Mr. Lee added that the environmental science teacher is also working with the Leadership group to increase awareness about the environment amongst the student body.
- Mr. Lee asked SVANC for any funds that would help purchase the reusable bags and in return SVANC's logo would be printed on the bags that would be given away at supermarkets.
- Mr. Lee thanked SVANC for their continuous support of the student body's activities.
- Karl Kunach, North Hollywood North East NC, stated that the NC will hold a community meeting regarding storm water issues and insurance for 100-year flood, on October 21st at 7:00 pm at Arminta Elementary School, across from the Chamber of Commerce. FEMA representatives will be present
- A representative from Fernangeles Rec Center asked for volunteers for the Nightmare-Before-Halloween event on Saturday, October 30, 2010 from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

ITEM 6: Board member comments

- Rob announced that a thank you letter was received addressed to SVANC from the Northeast Valley Health Corp for SVANC's participation with the funds for the portable potties provided for their health event held last month.

OLD Business:

ITEM 7: Review, correct and approve minutes from our September 2010 meeting.
(Julie Monroy)

- Julie made the motion to approve the minutes as amended and Guy seconded.
- The motion carried

NEW Business:

ITEM 8 Committee Reports Treasurer- Outreach- Planning- Community Affairs- By-Laws

Treasurer's Report:

09/03/10: Digital Projector for Sun Valley Library -\$666.44
09/14/10: Papa John's for August Board Meeting \$ 53.29
09/29/10: Newegg.com Digital Projector for Sun Valley Library \$775.23
09/29/10: Time Warner Internet (office) \$58.91
10/01/10: AT&T Phone (office) \$120.37

Total Spent: **\$1,007.80**

- Rob clarified that the projector for \$666.44 was sold out and SVANC was refunded for this transaction.
- Rob also stated that two demand warrants were submitted to DONE for the last 6 months for a total of \$2,225. These demand warrants were for translation services and the transcription of the minutes.
- A motion was made to accept the budget and was seconded
- The motion carried

ITEM 9: Imelda Padilla has resigned from the Vice President position. She will still remain part of SVANC. Motion/Discussion/Vote possible nominations for VP position. (DUENAS)

- Angelica announced that Imelda resigned from the Board. Ms. Dueñas opened the floor for nominations for the Board's 1st VP. Gary Aggas and Fern Romans were nominated. After a brief presentation by both, they recused themselves before the Board's vote.
- A vote was taken and Mr. Aggas was voted by a majority vote as 1st Vice President of Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council.
- The vote carried.

ITEM 10: Motion/Discussion/Vote to appoint candidates to open positions in the SVANC. (MONROY)

- Mrs. Dueñas made a motion to nominate Carlos Coronel as a board member under the at-large category and Julie seconded.
- The motion carried
- Mrs. Dueñas made a motion to nominate Ms. Stella Arrington as a board member under the business category and Julie seconded it.
- The motion carried

ITEM 11: Discuss supporting SVHS and Poly HS in attending the Adelante Hombre Latino Summit. Expenses for Food or Transportation for Poly and SVHS students to attend. (\$500.00-1,000) (PADILLA)

- Angelica stated that this was former board member Imelda's item and added that a Poly HS representative was supposed to be present at this meeting to provide information to SVANC's board but no one from Poly HS was present.
- A motion was made by Julie to table this item and seconded by Angelica.
- No action was taken on this item.

ITEM 12: Grant our Treasure Robert Lim permission to purchase items for the maintenance of the SVANC office at his own discretion, without having to wait to place it on the next SVANC meeting. All purchases will be included in the monthly Expense Reports. (DUENAS, LIM, MONROY, O'GARA)

- Rob stated that this request is to make timely purchases for office related items. For example, Rob added that one item that needs to get resolved is SVANC's website server.
- Rob added that any purchases made would be presented to the Executive Board for their approval.
- The motion was made by Angelica that the purchases made prior to formal authorization should not exceed \$500 and it was seconded by Julie
- The motion carried

ITEM 13: Solicit outreach volunteers for Halloween events at Fernangeles and Sun Valley parks. (DUENAS)

- Angelica asked for volunteers for the upcoming October 30th Halloween event to be held at Fernangeles Recreation Center. Gary, Danny and Dalia volunteered.
- No action was taken on this item.

ITEM 14: Purchase balloons and other outreach materials for the upcoming Halloween Outreach event and other future events. (not to exceed \$200) (DUENAS)

- Rob made the motion to participate in this event and for the amount not to exceed \$200 and was seconded by Nick.
- The motion carried

ITEM 15: Discussion and possible action to co-sponsor the October 28, 2010 Ethics Training with the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment. Funds will be used for refreshments. (not to exceed \$200) (MONROY)

- Julie said that after talking to Amelia at DONE, there is no need to co-sponsor this event since the meeting will be held at a different venue which will not generate any costs for its use.
- No action was taken on this item.

ITEM 16 Pay for Spanish Translator for DONE Ethics training, not to exceed \$215 (LIM)

- Julie made the motion and was seconded by Fern
- The motion carried

ITEM 17: Adjournment- a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at approximately 08:50 pm. The motion carried.