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Regular Board Meeting MINUTES (DRAFT) Tuesday, March 10, 2015 6:30pm – 8:30pm Meeting Location: Villa Scalabrini Retirement Center 10631 Vinedale Street Sun Valley, CA 91352

Board Member	Title	Status
Aggas, Gary	Board Member	Absent (excused)
Allen, Mark B.	1 st Vice President	PRESENT (out 8:04pm)
Baron, Jim	Board Member	PRESENT
Bartlett, Susan	Board Member	PRESENT
Bille, Elizabeth	2 nd Vice President	PRESENT
Boyd, Debbie	Board Member	Absent (excused)
Boyd, Mike	Board member	Absent (excused)
Carvajal, Sergio	Board Member	Absent
Cuevas, Lysander	Board Member	PRESENT
Culley, Gene	Board Member	Absent
Fernandez, Javier	Board Member	PRESENT
Housden, Linda	Board Member	PRESENT
Inkelaar-Cruz, Sean	Treasurer	PRESENT (in 7:05pm)
Khalaf, Sam	Board Member	PRESENT
Koenig, Mylo	Secretary	PRESENT
Mardirossian, Mark	Board Member	PRESENT
Mazariegos, Scally	Board Member	PRESENT
Monroy-Cantor, Julie	Board Member	PRESENT (in 6:56pm)
O'Gara, Barbara	Board Member	PRESENT
O'Gara, Mike	President	PRESENT
Perez, Carmen	Board Member	Absent (excused)
Sower, Cindy	Board Member	PRESENT
Thum, Wendy	Board Member	PRESENT
Vacas, Monica	Board Member	PRESENT
(VACANT)	Board Member	-
TOTAL (24)		19 Present, 5 Absent

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

- Mr. O'Gara officially called the meeting of Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council to order at approximately 06:35pm
- Mr. Mylo Koenig, Secretary, took roll
- At 6:35pm, 16 board members were present. Quorum was met.
- There were approximately 20 members of the public present
- The Pledge of Allegiance and SVANC's Code of Civility were recited

ITEM 2: Opening Remarks

- Mr. O'Gara asked members of the public to sign the sign-in sheet.
- Mr. O'Gara asked members of the public who want to speak during public comment to fill out a card that's on the table at the entrance.

ITEM 3: Presentation from Fenton Charter School Coming soon at Sunland Blvd. and Glenoaks.

- Ms. Sonja Eddings Brown introduced the following three educators who will be running the new school: Ms. Irene Sumida, Ms. Lee Melo and Ms. Jennifer Miller.
- Ms. Brown said that one of the goals for this school is to teach leadership skills

- Ms. Sumida, Executive Director of the Fenton Charter Schools, converted Fenton School to a Charter school in 1993. The curriculum at this school will have a focus on science & technology
- Ms. Melo will be the Director of the Fenton Charter Leadership Academy, said that the school will service children from kindergarten to 2nd grade students. Ms. Melo said that academic achievement and student success will be a priority at this new school. Their curriculum will emphasize social and emotional learning.
- Ms. Miller, will be the Director of the Fenton Stem Academy, said that they will start enrolling students in grades 3rd to 5th, their focus will be in STEM (science, technology, engineering and math). Ms. Miller said that each classroom will have 24 students per class. The school is public, free, and the admission is by lottery.

ITEM 4: Emergency Personnel from Fire and Police Departments

- Officer Wall, Senior Lead for the east side of Sun Valley, said that there has been an
 increase in property crime (especially burglary of motor vehicles). The Officer said that last
 Wednesday they did a special task force with vice targeting the "Johns" and prostitutes; 16
 Johns were arrested. The Officer said that on April 21, they held a police-oriented, NAACP
 basketball game, with the community, at Lakeview Terrace.
- Officer Wall invited the community to stop by at Bob's Big Boy every first Tuesday of the month to meet with him and Officer Vasquez to discuss community issues.

ITEM 5: Announcements from elected officials or their representatives

- Ms. Lorraine Diaz, Field Rep., Councilmember Krekorian's office, stated the following:
 - The Council member's office is organizing a Homeless Connect Day on April 2nd. Ms. Diaz added that L.A. Family housing provides the same type of services, for free, at their facility on Lankershim every Thursday, at 10:00am, which they name Community Assessment Day.
 - LAPD in North Hollywood is having a BBQ on Saturday, March 14, 11:00-3:00
 - A town hall meeting will be held with the City Attorney Mike Feuer at the NoHo Station on Wednesday, March 19, RSPV required.
 - o Applications are still being accepted for the L.A. Student Media Festival
 - o Clean up events are being held in March and April
 - o A lot of repaying is being done in Sun Valley
- Mr. David Gonzalez, Education Deputy for Ms. Monica Ratliff, said that Boardmember Ratliff visited Vineland Elementary school on March 09th. Mr. Gonzalez added that Poly HS was featured in a La Opinión article regarding their Spanish language instruction. Mr. Gonzalez said that there will be a new speed limit sign of 25-miles per hour at Byrd Middle School.
- Ms. Eveline Bravo-Ayala, representative from State Senator Robert Hertzberg's office, announced his open house on Saturday, March 21st.
- Ms. Amanda Mejia, representative from the Mayor's office, stated that the Mayor announced that HUD and the VA awarded HACLA with 490 new housing vouchers for veterans. Ms.
 Mejia said that the Mayor's youth council is seeking youth representatives from Sun Valley.
 Ms. Mejia handed out a fact sheet about the 'raise-the-wage' campaign.

ITEM 6: Public Comment

Ms. Sara Ramsawack, North Hollywood Northeast NC, made a comment

ITEM 7: Board Member Comment - None

<u>Unfinished Business</u> (ALL VOTES WILL BE ROLL CALL VOTES).

ITEM 8A: Review, correct, and approve the minutes from the February 10, 2015 Board Meeting

- Mr. O'Gara made a to approve the Feb. 10, 2015 minutes as amended, seconded by Ms. Vacas
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a vote
- A roll call vote was taken of all board members present

ITEM 08A (02/10/15 Minutes, as amended): YES – 18 (Carried)	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – N/A	Absent – 06
Allen; Baron; Bartlett; Bille; Cuevas; Fernandez; Housden; Inkelaar-Cruz; Khalaf; Koenig; Mardirossian; Mazariegos; Monroy-Cantor; O'Gara-B; O'Gara-M.; Sower; Thum; Vacas	None	NONE		Aggas; Boyd-D; Boyd-M; Carvajal; Culley; Perez

• The motion carried as amended 18/00 with 06 absent.

ITEM 8B: Review, correct, and approve the minutes from the March 02, 2015 Board Meeting

- Mr. O'Gara motioned to approve the Mar. 02, 2015 minutes as written, seconded by Ms. Bille
- Mr. O'Gara said that a meeting will be held on March 27 to vote to approve the new bylaws, which need to be sent to EmpowerLA/DONE by May 1st
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a vote
- A roll call vote was taken of all board members present

ITEM 08B (03/02/15 Minutes, as written):	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – N/A	Absent – 06
YES – 18 (Carried)				
Allen; Baron; Bartlett; Bille; Cuevas; Fernandez; Housden; Inkelaar-Cruz; Khalaf; Koenig; Mardirossian; Mazariegos; Monroy-Cantor; O'Gara-B; O'Gara-M.; Sower; Thum; Vacas	None	NONE		Aggas; Boyd-D; Boyd-M; Carvajal; Culley; Perez

• The motion carried 18/00 with 06 absent.

NEW Business

ITEM 9: Committee Reports; Outreach--Beautification-CPAB-VANC- Plancheck-LANCC-Homeless-Planning-Budget Advocates-Finance.

- Outreach: no report
- Beautification: Ms. Thum gave the following report:
 - The President's Day clean up event was a success. Ms. Thum has started working with Ms. Diaz, CD2, to coordinate clean up events including with the students at Sun Valley Magnet School.
 - Regarding the Sun Valley sign being put up at the median of Laurel Canyon, Ms. Thum said that Mr. Huerta has been working with the City's Engineering Dept. on this issue.
 - Regarding the utility box murals, a meeting will be organized between CD6, SVANC and the Sun Valley Youth Art Center.
 - Regarding Upward Bound—for the clean up on President's Day, a certificate presentation for the students who participated will be held on Saturday, April 25, 10:00am at Council woman Martinez' office
- CPAB: Ms. Bartlett said that the new Foothill Division's Captain of the area was introduced at last month's CPAB meeting.
- VANC: Mr. O'Gara said that there is a "Mixer" on Thursday, March, 12, where SVANC will be recognized with an award for an event it organized.
- Plancheck: no report
- LANCC: Mr.O'Gara said that there was discussion about on-line voting-see Item 12 for discussion
- Homeless: Mr. O'Gara reiterated that a Connect Day event will be held on April 2.
- Planning: Mr. O'Gara said that these will be discussed under Items 14-18
- Budget Advocates: Ms. Thum said that the Budget Advocates have a radio show on KTLA
- Finance: Mr. Inkelaar-Cruz said that they received a letter today from DONE informing them that SVANC's bank account is temporarily frozen because they have not received the Monthly Expenditure Reports (MERs) for the months of September, October, November; however, SVANC has proof that the MERs have been submitted at least three times via email, and after many phone calls with DONE personnel who confirmed receipt of the MERs, Mr. Inkelaar-Cruz will personally go to DONE's office and bring the files.
 - Mr. Inkelaar-Cruz said that SVANC's budget package is due Wednesday, July 1; Monday, June 22nd is the last day to submit any requests for purchases over \$2,500; fiscal year deadline is June 30th –which is the last day to swipe the card.

ITEM 10: Discussion-- Beautification Committee Discuss update on Wicks Median possible installation of Welcome sign (Status of Permit and costs)

 Ms. Thum said that their committee did not meet, but are waiting for a report from the City's Dept. of Engineering.

ITEM 11: Motion/Discussion/Vote Beautification committee to possibly do a cleanup with Sun Valley Middle School

- Ms. Thum said that their committee did not meet, however, they are planning on introducing a motion for up to \$200 to help with the clean up.
- No vote was taken on this Item.

ITEM 12: Appointment of an ad-hoc Election Committee to serve until after the 2016 Elections

- Mr. O'Gara called for volunteers to be appointed to the SVANC's ad-hoc 2016 Election Committee
- Ms. Bille, Mr. Khalaf, and Ms. Sower volunteered and were appointed to the committee.

ITEM 13: Discussion and distribution of a draft of the proposed revised Bylaws

• Mr. O'Gara said that these documents are in the Board members' folders and added that a special joint Board/Bylaws meeting is being planned for March 27th, in the evening, to review and approve the Bylaws which have to be turned in to DONE by May 1st.

ITEM 14: Select TWO people, one male and one female, to attend the Civic University-Series of three classes to learn how to engage more fully in civic participation

- Mr. O'Gara motioned that he and Ms. Bille be selected for the classes, seconded by Ms. Bille
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a vote
- A roll call vote was taken of all board members present

ITEM 14: YES – 17 (Carried)	No – 01	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – N/A	Absent – 06
Allen; Baron; Bartlett; Bille; Cuevas; Fernandez; Housden; Inkelaar-Cruz; Khalaf; Koenig; Mazariegos; Monroy-Cantor; O'Gara-B; O'Gara-M.; Sower; Thum; Vacas	Mardirossian	NONE		Aggas; Boyd-D; Boyd-M; Carvajal; Culley; Perez

The motion carried 17/01 with 06 absent

ITEM 15: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve \$150 each for Easter Festivities at Sun Valley Park and Fernangeles Park for Prizes, not to exceed \$300 (Outreach), each park would get \$150

- Ms. Vacas motioned to approve the Item, seconded by Ms. Sower
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a vote
- Mr. Inkelaar-Cruz motioned to amend the item to \$200 for each park, not to exceed \$400
- The amendment was seconded by Mr. Cuevas
- The amendment was on the floor for discussion and a vote.
- A roll call vote to accept the amendment was taken of board members eligible to vote on funding items

ITEM 15A: (amendment only) YES – 10 (Carried)			Not Eligible – 04	Absent – 06
Bartlett; Bille; Cuevas; Inkelaar-Cruz; Khalaf; Monroy-Cantor; O'Gara-B;; Sower; Thum; Vacas	Allen; Koenig; Mardirossian; O'Gara-M	NONE		Aggas; Boyd-D; Boyd-M; Carvajal; Culley; Perez

- The motion to amend item 15 to \$400 carried 10/04 with 04 ineligible and 06 absent.
- The amended motion was on the floor for discussion and a vote

A roll call vote was taken of board members eligible to vote on funding items

ITEM 15: (as amended) YES – 13 (Carried)	No – 01	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 04	Absent – 06
Allen; Bartlett; Bille; Cuevas; Inkelaar-Cruz; Khalaf; Koenig; Monroy-Cantor; O'Gara-B; O'Gara-M.; Sower; Thum; Vacas	Mardirossian	NONE	Baron; Fernandez; Housden; Mazariegos	Aggas; Boyd-D; Boyd-M; Carvajal; Culley; Perez

- The motion carried as amended 13/01 with 04 ineligible and 06 absent.
- Under the approved motion, \$200 each has been approved for Easter festivities at Sun Valley Park and Fernangeles Park, not to exceed \$400

ITEM 16: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve \$150 to Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils for the 12th anniversary Mixer on March 12

- Mr. O'Gara motioned to approve the Item, seconded by Ms. Vacas
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a vote
- A roll call vote was taken of board members eligible to vote on funding items

ПЕМ 16: YES – 13 (Carried)	No – 01	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 04	Absent – 06
Allen; Bartlett; Bille; Cuevas; Inkelaar-Cruz; Khalaf; Koenig; Monroy-Cantor; O'Gara-B; O'Gara-M.; Sower; Thum; Vacas	Mardirossian	-	Baron; Fernandez; Housden; Mazariegos	Aggas; Boyd-D; Boyd-M; Carvajal; Culley; Perez

• The motion carried 13/1 with 4 ineligible and 6 absent.

ITEM 17: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve \$150 for the Budget Advocates

- Mr. O'Gara motioned to approve the item, seconded by Ms. Bartlett
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a vote
- This Item was amended to read "Budget Advocates Fund"
- The amendment was agreed to by all board members present and eligible to vote.

• A roll call vote on the amended item was taken of board members eligible to vote on funding items

ITEM 17: (as amended) YES – 13 (Carried)	No – 01	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 04	Absent - 06
Allen; Bartlett; Bille; Cuevas; Inkelaar-Cruz; Khalaf; Koenig; Monroy-Cantor; O'Gara-B; O'Gara-M.; Sower; Thum; Vacas	Mardirossian	NONE		Aggas; Boyd-D; Boyd-M; Carvajal; Culley; Perez

• The motion carried as amended 13/01 with 04 ineligible and 6 absent.

ITEM 18: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve \$200.00 for the Neighborhood Congress

- Mr. O'Gara motioned to approve the Item, seconded by Ms. Bille
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a vote
- It was mentioned that the rest of the 96 NCs are also contributing
- A roll call vote was taken of board members eligible to vote on funding items

ПЕМ 18: YES – 14 (Carried)	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 04	Absent - 06
Allen; Bartlett; Bille; Cuevas; Inkelaar-Cruz; Khalaf; Koenig; Mardirossian Monroy-Cantor; O'Gara-B; O'Gara-M.; Sower; Thum; Vacas	NONE	NONE	Baron; Fernandez; Housden; Mazariegos	Aggas; Boyd-D; Boyd-M; Carvajal; Culley; Perez

• The motion carried 14/00 with 04 ineligible and 06 absent.

ITEM 19: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve the payment not to exceed \$150 for processing Identification papers, Social Security & DMV for homeless people at the Connect day in CD-2. Payment to LA Family Housing

- Ms. Vacas motioned to approve the Item, seconded by Ms. Housden
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a vote
- Mr. Inkelaar-Cruz asked for a copy of the flyer's event, on which SVANC will be listed, in order to submit it to EmpowerLA/DONE

A roll call vote was taken of board members eligible to vote on funding items

ITEM 19: YES – 13 (Carried)	No – 01	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 04	Absent – 06
Allen; Bartlett; Bille; Cuevas; Inkelaar-Cruz; Khalaf; Koenig; Monroy-Cantor; O'Gara-B; O'Gara-M.; Sower; Thum; Vacas	Mardirossian	NONE	Baron; Fernandez; Housden; Mazariegos	Aggas; Boyd-D; Boyd-M; Carvajal; Culley; Perez

• The motion carried 13/01 with 04 ineligible and 6 absent.

ITEM 20: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve \$150 to purchase breakfast for homeless Connect Day in North Hollywood Park on April 2^{nd} .

- Ms. Housden motioned to approve the Item, seconded by Ms. Vacas
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a vote
- Ms. Housden said that Sun Valley homeless along with veterans will be bussed to North Hollywood to receive services
- The motion was amended to change "purchase" to the more accurate term "sponsor"
- The amendment was agreed to by all board members present and eligible to vote.
- A roll call vote was taken on the amended Item of board members eligible to vote on funding items

ITEM 20: (as amended) YES – 12 (Carried)	No – 01	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 04	Absent – 07
Bartlett; Bille; Cuevas; Inkelaar-Cruz; Khalaf; Koenig; Monroy-Cantor; O'Gara-B; O'Gara-M.; Sower; Thum; Vacas	Mardirossian	-	Baron; Fernandez; Housden; Mazariegos	Aggas; Allen; Boyd-D; Boyd-M; Carvajal; Culley; Perez

The motion carried as amended 12/01 with 04 ineligible and 07 absent.

ITEM 21: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve \$2200 to conduct a Health Fair at Sun Valley Park on June 13th 2015 9AM to 1PM (OUTREACH EVENT)

- Ms. Bille motioned to approve the Item, seconded by Mr. O'Gara
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a vote
- Ms. Bille said that they will ask for monetary assistance from the local District offices and the Mayor's office. Ms. Bille added that a breakdown of the expected expenses for these funds has been distributed.
- Ms. Monroy-Cantor said that if this event is done in partnership with Sun Valley Rec Center, then
 that will waive the facility rental and will not need coverage for liability insurance because SVANC is
 part of the City

• A roll call vote was taken of board members eligible to vote on funding items

ΠΕΜ 21: YES – 12 (Carried)	No – 01	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 04	Absent – 07
Bartlett; Bille; Cuevas; Inkelaar-Cruz; Khalaf; Koenig; Monroy-Cantor; O'Gara-B; O'Gara-M.; Sower; Thum; Vacas	Mardirossian	NONE	Baron; Fernandez; Housden; Mazariegos	Aggas; Allen; Boyd-D; Boyd-M; Carvajal; Culley; Perez

The motion carried 12/01 with 04 ineligible and 07 absent.

ITEM 22: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve building a Storage Box for audio equipment stored at Villa Scalabrini. Amount not to exceed \$600.

- Mr. O'Gara motioned to approve the Item, seconded by Mr. Khalaf
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a vote
- The motion was amended to add "or purchasing"
- The amendment was agreed to by all board members present and eligible to vote
- A roll call vote was taken on the amended Item of board members eligible to vote on funding items

ITEM 22: (as amended) YES – 12 (Carried)	No – 01	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 04	Absent – 07
Bartlett; Bille; Cuevas; Inkelaar-Cruz; Khalaf; Koenig; Monroy-Cantor; O'Gara-B; O'Gara-M.; Sower; Thum; Vacas	Mardirossian	-	Baron; Fernandez; Housden; Mazariegos	Aggas; Allen; Boyd-D; Boyd-M; Carvajal; Culley; Perez

• The motion carried as amended 12/01 with 04 ineligible and 07 absent.

ITEM 23: Treasurer's Report; Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve the Treasurer's Report.

- Mr. Inkelaar-Cruz read the following Treasurer's report:
 - o February expenditures: \$1,330.20, which left a balance on the budget of \$17,699.30
- Mr. O'Gara motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Ms. Monroy-Cantor
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a vote
- A roll call vote was taken of board members eligible to vote on funding items

ПЕМ 23: YES – 13 (Carried)	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 04	Absent – 07
Bartlett; Bille; Cuevas; Inkelaar-Cruz; Khalaf; Koenig; Mardirossian; Monroy-Cantor; O'Gara-B; O'Gara-M.; Sower; Thum; Vacas	NONE	NONE		Aggas; Allen; Boyd-D; Boyd-M; Carvajal; Culley; Perez

• The motion carried 13/00 with 04 ineligible and 07 absent.

ITEM 24: Motion /Discussion/Vote to approve to fund our account for next month's anticipated expenditures

- Mr. Inkelaar-Cruz read the following Treasurer's report:
 - March expected expenditures: \$1,312.25, which left a balance on the budget of \$16,387.05
- Mr. O'Gara motioned to approve next month's anticipated expenditures, seconded by Mr. Mardirossian
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a vote
- A roll call vote was taken of board members eligible to vote on funding items

ITEM 24: YES – 13 (Carried)	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 04	Absent – 07
Bartlett; Bille; Cuevas; Inkelaar-Cruz; Khalaf; Koenig; Mardirossian; Monroy-Cantor; O'Gara-B; O'Gara-M.; Sower; Thum; Vacas	NONE	-	Baron; Fernandez; Housden; Mazariegos	Aggas; Allen; Boyd-D; Boyd-M; Carvajal; Culley; Perez

• The motion carried 13/00 with 04 ineligible and 07 absent.

ITEM 25: Brief discussion of Pending Planning issues

- La Vida Gentlemen's Club (11343 Penrose St)- Mr. O'Gara said that this project is still pending
- The federal gov't application for a cell tower at Tuxford and Sunland Blvd- Mr. O'Gara said that this is at the fire station, more information is being requested, but added that it's an 80' cell tower disguised as a palm tree, and the community wants it disguised as a flag pole.
- Movie Studio on Peoria- Mr. O'Gara said that a City Planning Commission meeting will be held on April 23rd, but a letter is expected from the Zoning Administrator's office on the findings from the hearing that was held in Van Nuys a couple of weeks ago.
- Seven-Eleven on Sheldon St at Rincon Ave Mr. O'Gara said that a lawyer contacted him to inform him that this establishment wanted to sell alcohol. The community is against an alcohol license, since there is a lot of youth in the area from the skate park.

The Land Use Committee will meet on Monday, March 23, 2015

ITEM 26: PUBLIC COMMENT - None

ITEM 27: BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

Mr. Khalaf, Ms. Vacas, Mr. Mardirossian, and Mr. Cuevas made comments

ITEM 28: Adjournment – A motion was made by Mr. O'Gara to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Koenig. The motion passed 17/00. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:40pm.