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Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council
Draft Minutes: General Board Meeting
2130 E. 1st Street, Los Angeles, CA 90033
Wednesday, February 28, 2018

1. **Meeting to be called to order by president at 6:25**
2. **Welcome and roll call: Present:** Marisol Sanchez, Daisy Chavez, Carlos Montes, Jose Pelico, Alex Bowman, Jason Gallegos, Hector Huezo, Lizzette Perez, Marisol Marquez, Veronica Polanco. **Absent:** Samuel Vasquez, Alessandro Negrete, Melissa Castro, Jose Mata.
3. **General Public Comment (Limited to 2 minutes per speaker)**
 - a. Alfred Coletta candidate for Superior Court Judge, many years as a DA, is fair, passed out cards.
 - b. Fortunato Tapia LAUSD Community Relations to announce the next CEQA reports and or meetings for the remodeling of RHS, also documents are available at local library and on line.
 - c. Connie Topete manager of Franklin Public library, 107,000 people came to library. Panel on the ELA Walkouts 50th Anniversary March 3 at 1 PM on panel is Sol Marquez and Carlos Montes, free legal advice. Free art classes March 20th, see flyers for all activities.
 - d. Mark Portillo-home loan advocate, last year he got a program approved to promote home ownership in Boyle Heights.
 - e. Lupe Torres LAUSD teacher here with a petition to stop the rezoning of property at old Lincoln Hospital. LAUSD constructed enough schools and have many programs like ESL, Special Education etc. More charter schools take money away from our schools. Has petition to stop rezoning of Lincoln Hospital available at literature table.
 - f. George Cabrera of Community Beacon several items; CERT classes next week in March in Lincoln Heights, candidate for Sheriff. Last several weeks proposal to change several parking lots for housing, Gil Cedillo proposing changes, having a meeting on the 5 parking lots, the Beacon is coming out.
 - g. Jorge Castaneda of Coalition to Preserve LA, looked at RHS modernization plan, believes there are other options for RHS, also protect a small museum.
 - h. Jose Delgadillo teacher at Dena near Soto and Olympic Bl., is opposed to KIPP Promesa charter school trying to move in to Dena, last week LAUSD looking at school site. Had a protest

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at KIPP School yesterday with over 75 parents. Has a petition to keep KIPP out of Dena School in Boyle Heights.

4. **Government Reports:**

- a. Miriam Jose Huizar LA City office-announce collecting items to give out to homeless, looking at a roundabout at March 13 at TEC Center, Know Your Rights campaign, for small businesses; doing a legal academy, one on one March 20 in community room. Item 22 in today's LA Council meeting-Miriam can't comment is not part of the Policy Team.
- b. Luis with Assembly member Miguel Santiago-holding an event for Pets; Food for Less will have program, Exide will intro legislation for more money for the cleanup.
- c. DONE house keeping items, if a Board member has a conflict with an agenda item you must reclude, May 20 last day for event ok, gave other key dates. March 29 awards Empower awards Friday last day to submit. BOCs looking at who is a stakeholder. Funding equity program as been meeting on money recommendations. New funding guidelines now ok 2nd signer. Question from Veronica no clear what.

5. **Executive Reports**

- a. **President's Report**-update on needs assessment survey, President gave a report on results of some surveys, not comprehensive; looking at doing more changes in our meetings hopefully more responses for our strategic plan. office hours-need response from Board. Urge all Board members to join a committee.
- b. **Vice President's Report**- looking for future funding and training gave update on board member trainings, & committee report
- c. **Secretary's Report**- Discussion and possible action to approve minutes of January 2018 General Board Meeting. November 2017 minutes not available. Minutes for January 2018 motion by Carlos, second by Daisey. Board comment some minor spelling corrections.

6. **Updates/reports by NC Liaisons to City Departments: (limited to 1 minute)**

- a. Budget Representatives – Lizzette Perez, Samuel Vasquez. none
- b. City Attorney Liaison – Carlos Montes-none.
- c. Public Works Liaison – Alessandro Negrete, absent.
- d. Homelessness Liaison – Daisy Chavez. None.
- e. Animal Services Liaison –Drew Brauer. Not present
- f. Sustainability Alliance Representative – Alessandro Negrete, absent.
- g. Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) Representative – Marisol Marquez. none
- h. PlanCheckNC Liaison – Jason Gallegos. Meeting spoke on community plan,
- i. DWP MOU Oversight Committee Representative – VACANT
- j. DWP Advocacy Committee Representative- Jorge Madrid, none.
- k. Film Liaison – Marisol Marquez, filming on First near Mott, caused traffic and piled up.
- l. Purposeful Aging Liaison – VACANT
- m. Grievance Panel Liaison – Hector Huezo, none.
- o. Neighborhood Council Emergency Preparedness Alliance Representative – Marisol Marquez report on a new CERT training.

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7. **Announcement of Resignation by Patricia Moreno, Dan Morales (Area 2 Officer), Beatriz Zaragoza, & Yasmin Mata. Just an announcement.**
8. **Announcement of Resignation as Secretary by Carlos Montes.**
9. **Discussion and possible action to elect a Secretary.**
 - a. Anybody interested, as secretary, Motion by Marisol Sanchez to elect Lissette Perez as secretary for remaining term till May, second by Daisy, vote yes-10, motion passed.
10. **Announcement of VACANT Community Seats:**
 - i. Three (3) open Community Seats. a
 - ii. Two (2) Area Officer (Area 2 & Area 4). Area 2 and 3 corrections open.
11. **Discussion and possible action to elect one (1) Executive Committee Officer.**
 - a. Nominations open who is not an Area Officer, motion to table by Marisol, second by Alex. No comments. Daisey nominated Veronica Polanco. Vote to table unanimous. Who is on the Executive Committee
12. **Community Spotlight**
 - a. New Economics for Women; Announcement of Moms Helping Moms 5K/Walk, services provided, & more. Not present.
13. **Item 20 will be the new 13 and the old item 13 the PLUC report is now item 20.** Motion to move items vote 10 yes passed. Daisy we are missing two area officers and gave the area boundaries. Anyone interested from the community she announced. Area 1 Carlos Cerdan work in the community and love BH, this is the area, asked to run for Community. Gina Cruz would like to run for Area 2. Motion to elect Gina, second by Jose, yes-10. Any for Area 3, SE area of BH? No nominations. Note cut and paste item 20 report. Every first Wednesday of the month the Neighborhood Committee. All three libraries LATC doing local plays.
14. **Planning & Land Use Committee (PLUC) Items.** Jason wants to table till after item 20.
 - a. PLUC Report to the Board, Jason report that at last meeting did not have quorum but did have a report from Metro on the last two projects, LAUSD gave report on RHS, March 23 RHS EIR meeting. T-Mobile got approve, MacDonald's on Soto wants to expand, audit for city council, period ends today for comments, AMPM passed. Hollenbeck Park rehab project seeking more info. Charter Kipp proposal is March 7 at 1:30pm. Urban Forestry project promote trees in BH. Affordable housing and other related issue son Council agenda. First and Boyle Azure proposal for low income housing at the old laundry mat site, have a detained proposal, will be on agenda next PLUC meeting. Now to fill the PLUC vacancies from Board but not Executive Board members. Comment by Vivian Escalante born and raised in BH, family used to live in Chavez Ravine, was involve in first setting up the council, did community surveys and outreach to get BH Council approve had moved out and is back now. Discussion by Veronica to look at next month to fill the Board PLUC vacancy with Vivian. Daisy asked why Drew resigned from Board, Jason responded in a confusing way. Vote taken: Drew -10, Vivian-2. Drew is now on the PLUC
 - i. Description: The PLUC Chair will give a quick update on the status of various PLUC items.
 - b. Discussion & Possible Action to Fill the PLUC Vacancies.

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- i. Description: PLUC Membership has openings and the seats need to be filled for the remainder of the term (March 2018 – May 2018). Open positions include a Community Stakeholder position, and [two] Board Member positions.
 - ii. The following Candidates have submitted a formal written request:
 - 1. Drew M. Brauer [for the BHNC Stakeholder position]
 - 2. Vivian M. Escalante [for the BHNC Stakeholder position]
 - iii. Per the BHNC Bylaws [Article VII, Sec. 1(b)(i)]. Candidates are appointed via a "simple majority vote."
- 15. Discussion and possible action to elect a Rules & Election Chair.** President gave a short description of role, Marisol asks to table, Veronica asked to host a special meeting in March to take up this. Motion to move to a March special meeting, no public comment, Board comment. Daisy asked Hector Huezo if he is interested; he responded asking what are the deadlines. Marisol proposing March 25 or 30th to discuss Rule & Elections chair. Motion to move to March 23, Friday at 6 pm, no Board comment. Yes-11, approved.
- a. Description: Organizes and executes elections. Proposes Election Procedures, Standing Rules, and bylaw amendments to the Board for approval. Holds grievance hearings and makes findings and recommendations to the Board.
- 16. Discussion and possible action to submit a Letter of Support for Motion: Lawmaker Challenge.**
- a. Comment by Jaime Tijerina was person that presented this proposal, so that community and residents can attend and participate in LA City Council meetings by having meeting at night. President makes motion to support, second by Alex. Board comments. Carlos support due to working people can't attend during day. Vote yes 11. Passed. Description: As a response to Councilmember Ryu's Lawmaker Challenge to challenge the Los Angeles public to come up with policies to increase government transparency and disclosure. The idea with the most support recommends Los Angeles City Council to host meetings after the typical 9-to-5 business hour to afford more opportunities for the working public to attend council and committee meetings. This letter of support would be directed to the Chief Legislative Analyst/
- 17. Discussion and possible action to remove Alessandro Negrete as Chair of the Transportation and Environment Committee.**
- a. Description: [see attachment titled Exhibit 1] Jason gave comments that due to no TEC meeting community is upset that the Exide problem has not been taken up. Jason moved to remove Alessandro from TEC, second by Jose. Alex told Alessandro to use his space. Vote: Abstain-1, Gina, yes 10, motion passed.
- 18. Discussion and possible action to elect a Transportation and Environment Chair.**
- a. Description given: Nominations open. Jose nominates Veronica Blanco, second by Daisy. Veronica comments-I am very practical, has done many projects for our community. Vote: Yes-11. Veronica is the new chair of TEC.
- 19. Budget & Finance Committee Items**
- a. Motion to approve finance report: Jose made motion Update by Treasurer on board finances, Regional Budget Day, and more.

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- b. Discussion and possible action of Monthly Expenditure Reports (MER) for September 2017. Motion by Jose, second by Alex; vote 10 passed.
- c. Discussion and possible action of Monthly Expenditure Reports (MER) for October 2017. Moved to approve by Jose, second by Lizzette; passed by 10 yes.
- d. Discussion and possible action of Monthly Expenditure Reports (MER) for January 2018. Moved by Lizzette second by Jason, Vote: 10 yes. Current balance \$21,000 approximately
- e. Discussion and possible action to approve a letter to be submitted to the NC Equity Funding Working Group. Jose gave an overview on how NC get money. BH get less money than others in relation to our population. Veronica gave comments that most councils don't have a very high population. Moved to send letter with proposals for equity funding by Jose, second by Carlos; Vote; yes-10; motion passed.
- f. Discussion and possible action to approve an invoice for \$250 to Aaron DeVandry.
 - i. Description: Invoice date for 2/22/17 for web hosting in January 2017. Motion to approve invoice for \$250 for Aaron DeVandry, second by Carlos, no public comment, Board Jason why since we changed web master? DONE said he did work for January 2017. Vote: Yes-10, motion passed.
- g. Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of the following operational equipment:
 - i. One (1) large countdown clock up to \$90. Graphic designer up to \$500. BHNC office supplies and materials up to \$300. Motion made by Jose, second by Alex. Questions by Board is this for a logo, Veronica explained that this is for our social media work. Vote: yes-10, motion passed.
- h. Discussion and possible action to approve an event at CASA 0101 for an amended amount of up to \$2,500. Jose moved, Alex second. Gorge Cabrera asked what is this for and what date, March 30th. How will seats be done, first come first served. Carlos suggested that we do outreach for the working-class community so that our community attends, Vote: yes-10
 - i. Description: BHNC would purchase all the seats for the night of March 30, 2018 for a community night event.
- i. Discussion and possible action to approve funding for three local libraries up to \$7,359.22.
 - i. Description: Increase outreach efforts and board visibility at the following libraries with amended amounts: Benjamin Franklin Library \$2,425.70. Motion by Jose, second by Sol, Vote: Yes-10. Malabar Library \$2,310.87. Moved by Jose Pelico, second by Alex Bowman. Vote: Yes-10. Robert Stevenson Library \$2,595.65. Moved by Jose to approve, second by Sol Marquez. Vote: Yes-10 motion passes.
- j. Discussion and possible action to approve a Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) for Inner City Struggle for an amended amount of up to \$1,500. Motion to approve by Jose, Jason second. ICS rep expressed his gratitude to have youth going to college. Public Comment: Waldo Gonzalez-direct benefit to our youth, Lupe student at Mendez HS supports the chance to go to visit colleges. Alejandra Peguero, has been active in ICS for two years and active in her school, with this project I have been able to visit colleges

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and other cities to get a better idea of what I want to do. Jorge Castaneda-express support, from San Antonio, totally support. Lupe Torres-what HS are going local ones. Sol asked about amount. Sol made amendment to lower to \$1,000, second by Veronica. Vote: Yes-2, No-8. Not passed. Vote for \$1,500; vote Yes 10. Board questions Jason application amount and what is eligible. Alex, we have money, Carlos asked what is total yearly budget of ICS? Waldo Sanchez with ICS responded that they are a nonprofit and receive grants that yearly budget is about 1.5 million per year.

- i. Description: three-day northern CA tour for students in the East LA area, including 20 Boyle Height students.
 - k. Discussion and possible action to re-approve a Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) for Color <Coded> Trade & Row Corp for \$2,000.
 - i. Description: NPG presented and approved by the general board on 12/7/2016 for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. Public Comment Chris Cuellar-we are growing and have regular activities, workshops and film series. Arlene Nieto-part of putting on program at Color Coded. Motion to approved moved by Jose, second by Daisy, Vote: Yes-10, motion passed; need to get a current address: 3030 East Olympic Bl. LA 90023
 - l. Motion by Jose second by Daisy, to approve a revised budget allocation of \$7,000 from Community Improvement Projects (CIP) to Outreach. No public comment, Marisol why are doing this; Jose to be able to do all the projects for outreach. Vote: Yes-10,
- 20. Outreach & Special Events Committee Items. Alex reported that we will get cards.**
- a. Update by Outreach Chair regarding upcoming events, activities planned, etc.
 - b. Discussion and possible action to recommend to the General Board of the Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council to sponsor one (1) night at CASA 0101 up to \$2500.
 - i. Description: The Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council would purchase all the seats for the night of March 30 for a community night. The event will also include a panel of grassroots leaders in Boyle Heights.
 - c. Discussion and possible action to recommend to the General Board of the Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council to sponsor an outreach effort for the Stevenson Library up to \$2300.
 - i. The BHNC Outreach Committee holds its monthly meetings at the Stevenson Library, one of three libraries in Boyle Heights. The funds will be used to purchase tables, chairs, supplies to start a library garden, and host a healthy cooking class.
 - d. Discussion and possible action to recommend to the General Board of the Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council to sponsor an outreach effort for the Malabar Library up to \$2350.
 - i. Description: The Malabar Library is one of three libraries in Boyle Heights. The funds will be used to purchase a STEM education class pack, transparent geometric tiles, and a LED table to facilitate play with the tiles.

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- e. Discussion and possible action to recommend to the General Board of the Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council to sponsor an outreach effort for the Benjamin Franklin up to \$2350.
 - i. Description: The BHNC holds multiple monthly meetings at the Benjamin Franklin Library, one of three libraries in Boyle Heights.

21. Neighborhood Committee Items

- a. Update by Vice President, Chair of the Neighborhood Committee.
- b. Motion to Nominate and Elect Two (2) Area Officers for Area 2 and Area 3.
 - i. Description: Area Officers will at minimum establish a calendar of regular one (1) hour bi-monthly community meetings, workshops or informational meetings within their respective areas. Area meetings will be used to: 1. Promote greater awareness of available City resources and services; 2. Act as a conduit between the BHNC Board and the Boyle Heights neighborhood by reporting to the Neighborhood Committee any community issues, suggestions, or other information relevant to the Stakeholders from their respective Areas.; 3. Work in conjunction with BHNC Outreach Committee & general BHNC outreach activities, by assisting with the community outreach within their respective Areas.
- c. Announcement of Presentation at the March 7th neighborhood meeting by the group Climate Resolve
- d. Announcement of “Discover Theater at Your Local Library” by the Center Theater Group at all 3 Boyle Heights Branch Libraries.

22. Transportation & Environment Committee (TEC) Items

- a. Description: TEC Chair will provide an update regarding progress report on TEC, including upcoming meeting day/time.

23. Announcements: March 11 Woman’s run only all ages, run stop and photo.

24. Adjournment. Motion to adjourn by President at 9:27 pm second by, Carlos motion passed

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