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General Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, October 23, 2013

7:00-9:00 p.m.

American Jewish University

Colen Hall, Room 108

15600 Mulholland Drive

Bel Air, CA 90077

***(Park in Lot 3, Enter Conference Building under Student Lounge –
Use elevator or stairs at right side of building)***

The public is welcome to speak. Meeting is being audio taped.

*We request that you fill out a **Speaker Card** to address the Council on any item on the Agenda. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the Agenda will be heard during the Public Comment period. Public comment is limited to 3 minutes per speaker unless waived by the presiding officer of the Council. (As a covered entity under TITLE of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of disability and upon request, will provide reasonable accommodation to ensure equal access to its programs, services, and activities. Sign language interpreters, listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or services will be provided upon request. To ensure availability of services, please make your request at least 3 business days prior to the meeting you wish to attend by contacting the Neighborhood Council Project Coordinator at 213 485-1360.)*

General Meeting

- 1. Call to order** – Council Member roll call (Quorum = 12) (1 minute)
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance** (1 minute)
- 3. Approval of the September 25, 2013 Minutes** (motion)
- 4. Approval of tonight’s Draft Agenda** (changes or additions)
- 5. Public Comments** – (15 minutes – 3 minutes per speaker)
- 6. (Agendas, brochures, & public service handouts available)**
- 7. President’s Report** – *Gary Plotkin*
 - 7.1 FAST TRACK:**
 - a. Report on Breakfast with Paul Koretz - *Gary Plotkin*
 - b. Update on Search for Replacement of *Carla Cretaro*, of K-5 Public Schools.
 - c. Update and Discussion on Board Retreat - *Don Loze*, Chair
 - d. Update on Status of Fire Safety Signs - *Andre Stojka*
 - e. Update & Possible Motion on BSL LED Conversion Program – *Travis Longcore, Ph.D.*
 - f. Update & Possible Motion that *Aaron DeVandry* supervises Mail Chimp – *Ramin Kolahi*

- g. Motion that the BABCNC support the Revised AGF Ordinance Relating to Cell Pole Installations with the Recommended Changes by the PPCC. – *Gary Plotkin*
- h. Update and Possible Motion on the Slope Failure Mitigation Measures on Laurel Canyon Boulevard (*Jamie Hall*)
- i. Reports from the Sept. 28th Congress of Neighborhood Councils at City Hall
- j. "Motion to expand the jurisdiction and modify the name of the Bylaws & Rules Committee to include "Elections" - *Larry Leisten*"
- k. Motion to nominate and cause a Board to vote to approve new members to the Bylaws, Rules Committee - *Larry Leisten*

8. Planning and Land Use Committee (PLU) – *Ramin Kolahi*

- Motion to approve Michael Kemp as Chair of Planning & Land Use Committee,
- Report on PLU October 8, 2013 meeting by Ramin
- 2166 N. Stanley Hills Drive & 2170 N. Stanley Hills Drive – Possible Motion
- 8467 Brier Drive - Possible Motion
- New Cases:
 - 1602 N. Clearview Drive
 - 2620 N. Wallingford Drive
 - 1255 Angelo Drive
 - 1814 N. Doheny Drive
 - 1210 Wetherly Drive
- Current Cases:
 - 944 Airole Way & 11201 N. Chalon Road
 - 10453 W. Sandal Lane

9. Proposal and Motion on Email Communication Rules and Practices – *Ramin Kolahi*

1. Proposed content (including links, images, files etc.) of the email are to be sent to the President and Vice President for consideration at least five (5) days prior to the proposed date of email.
2. The President or Vice President will notify the Board member of any proposed changes or disapproval within two (2) days of receipt of the proposed email.
3. If President or Vice President approve the email content without any changes, the President and/or Vice President will cause the email to be submitted to the webmaster for distribution on the date proposed by the Board member.
4. If the proposing Board member accepts the proposed changes by the President or Vice President, then the revised proposed email is deemed approved and the President or Vice President will cause the email to be submitted to the webmaster for distribution on the date proposed by the Board member.
5. If the proposing Board member does not accept the proposed changes by the President or Vice President, then the proposing Board member may request a special meeting of the Executive Committee to review the proposed changes and the decision of the Executive Committee will be final, subject to override by the full Board.
6. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Chairs of Standing Committee may submit agendas of Regular or Special Meetings within four (4) days of the proposed email distribution date. If the President or Vice President do not object to the proposed email content within one (1) day, the proposed email is deemed approved and the Chair can submit the email to the webmaster for distribution, subject to comments from webmaster with regards to formatting.

The President or Vice President can designate a Board member to make the determinations necessary above in their place by notifying the proposing Board member.

10. **Secretary's Report** – Robin Greenberg (5 minutes)
11. **Treasurer Report** – Alan Fine (10 minutes)
 - Update and approval of Treasurers Report (motion)
12. **Ad-hoc “I-405 Sepulveda Widening Improvement Project”** - *Irene Sandler*
13. **Public Safety/Disaster Preparedness Committee** – *Chuck Maginnis* (5 minutes)
 - Senior Lead Officer 8A29 - *Chris Ragsdale*, WLA Community Police Station
 - Senior Lead Officer - *Ralph Sanchez*, Hollywood Community Police Station
 - Report on October 16th EP Committee Meeting
 - Update on Emergency Notification
14. **West Los Angeles Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC)** – *Greenberg* (5 minutes)
 - Report on WRAC meeting held October 16, 2013
 - **Educational Equity and Achievement for All Title 1 students Resolution (for Action November 12, 2013):** WRAC recommends that the governing board of the LA Unified School District directs the superintendent to lower the Title 1 eligibility threshold back to 40% with 3 tiers of funding that increase with need: 40-50%, 50-65%, and 65 to 100%. This motion passed. **(See Attachment)**
15. **Outreach Committee Report** – *Robin Greenberg* (5 minutes)
16. **Bylaws & Rules Committee Report and 2 Motions** – *Larry Leisten* (5 minutes)
 - As noted above, under President's Report.
17. **Council District 5 Report** –Field Deputies, *Jeff Ebenstein & Gurmet Khara*, Planning Deputy *Noah Muhlstein* – (5 minutes)
18. **Council District 4 Report** - Field Deputy & Deputy of Housing and Transportation - *Sharon Shapiro* (5 minutes)
19. **Traffic Committee Report & Police Advisory Board Report** – *Robert A. Ringle*
Next LAPD West Bureau Traffic Committee: Wednesday November 13, 2013 at 8:30 a.m.
 at the West Los Angeles Community Police Station, 1663 Butler Avenue.
20. **Private and Public Schools News** (1 minute)
21. **Welcome Special Guests, Fortuna Ippoliti, Construction Relations Manager, & Ayda Safaei, Construction Relations Officer, of the Metro-405 Construction Project.**
22. **Welcome Special Guest, Joan Pelico, Paul Koretz's Chief of Staff of CD5, reporting on the City.**
23. **New Business/General Announcements** (1 minute)
24. **Motion to Adjourn Meeting**

NEXT BABCNC MEETING: November 20, 2013 at the Mulholland Tennis Club

We, the _____ Neighborhood Council, urge all Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education Members: Richard Vladovic, Monica Garcia, Monica Ratliff, Tamar Galatzan, Steve Zimmer, Bennett Kayser, and Marguerite LaMotte to vote in favor of the following Resolution entitled "Educational Equity and Achievement for All Title I Students" at their Board Meeting scheduled for November 12, 2013.

**Educational Equity and Achievement For All Title 1 Students Resolution
(For Action November 12, 2013)**

Sponsored by Ms. Tamar Galatzan and Ms. Monica Ratliff

Whereas, LAUSD is committed to providing all children a world-class education regardless of socio-economic status or any other factor, and children living in material poverty are especially deserving of services to help them achieve academically;

Whereas, For decades the federal government has recognized that children living in poverty require additional support to reduce the academic achievement gap;

Whereas, In 1965, President Lyndon Johnson established Title I to help poor children perform as well as their middle class peers;

Whereas, Title I funds are intended to provide support for children living in material poverty;

Whereas, 80% of LAUSD students qualify for free and reduced price lunch programs (Title I);

Whereas, Federal Title I funding is based on Census figures, dispensed to the states, and sent to local school boards to disburse;

Whereas, Local school districts decide what the Title I eligibility threshold is for allocating funds for their District, with 35% the lowest threshold permissible under federal law;

Whereas, In 2011, due to a reduction of \$34 million from the previous year's disbursement (9.2%) of federal Title I dollars, the LAUSD School Board raised the Title I eligibility threshold for Los Angeles schools from 40 to 50%;

Whereas, This change resulted in 23 LAUSD schools losing their Title I funds, which can equate to between \$150,000 and \$600,000 per school;

Whereas, A school that has 49.7% of students qualifying for free and reduced lunch receives no Title I money, but a school that has 50% of students qualifying can receive hundreds of thousands of dollars;

Whereas, The Chicago Public Schools, the third largest school district in the nation, allocates Title I funds on a tiered model to every school where more than 40% of students are eligible to receive free and reduced price lunch. In 2011, the Chicago Public Schools lost \$19.5 million (6.2%) in federal Title I funds from the previous year, but they kept their Title I eligibility threshold at 40% for schools; and

Whereas, San Diego Unified School District and Santa Ana Unified School District, both of which are similar large urban school districts in California, have a Title I threshold of 40%; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District directs the Superintendent to lower the Title I eligibility threshold back to 40%, with three tiers of funding that increase with need: 40-50%, 50-65%, and 65-100%