



Board Meeting Minutes
Canoga Park Neighborhood Council (CPNC)
7:00 PM, Wednesday, October 28, 2020
Virtual Meeting held via Zoom



Executive Board

President

Mary Paterson

Community Based Org Rep

Vice President

Thema Bryant-Davis

At-Large Rep

Secretary

Kendra Kimball

Home/Condo Owners Rep.

Treasurer

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At-Large Rep.

Board of Directors

Ron Clary

Senior Group Rep.

Kalyani Vasani

Senior Group Rep.

Carey Martinez

Home/Condo Owners Rep.

Quincy Clemons

Residential Renters Rep.

Michael Davis

Residential Renters Rep.

Daniel Griffith

Residential Renters Rep.

Stuart Vaughan

Retail/Service Business Rep.

Brian Mallasch

Retail/Service Business Rep.

Leonel Fuentes

Retail/Service Business Rep.

Michelle Miranda

Community Org. Rep.

Vincent Neill

Community Based Org. Rep.

Steve Slutzah

At-Large Rep.

Kyra Edrington

At-Large Rep.

Nauman Khan

Faith-Based Rep.

Helen Morales

Youth Rep.

Jessica Beas

Schools Rep.

Jitzel Vasquez

Youth Rep.

1. Welcoming Remarks – Mary Paterson, President

a. Called to Order at 7:06 PM.

b. Board Roll Call (Kendra Kimball):

Board Members Present: Thema Bryant-Davis, Michael Davis, Quincy Clemons, Kyra Edrington, Leonel Fuentes, Jessica Gonzalez, Daniel Griffith, Nauman Khan, Kendra Kimball, Carey Martinez, Michelle Miranda, Mary Paterson, Steve Slutzah, Stuart Vaughan, Kalyani Vasani, Jitzel Vasquez

Board Members Excused: Jessica Beas, Ronald Clary, Brian Mallasch

Board Members Absent: Vincent Neill

c. With 16 members declared present, a quorum was declared.

d. Status of Compliance of CPNC Board Members for Ethics, Funding, Code of Conduct Training: noncompliant: Quincy Clemons, Kyra Edrington, Carey Martinez, Vincent Neill [absent], Stuart Vaughan, Michael Davis

e. Opening remarks (Mary Paterson): Remarks made regarding the difficulty faced by their community during these times.

f. Treasurer's Report (Jessica Gonzalez): Budget advocate report given.

g. Vice President's Report (Thema Bryant-Davis): Voting information, report on COVID status in the community, homelessness informational sheet in development by Executive Committee.

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2. Community Reports

- **Blake Clayton** – *Representative from Supervisor Sheila Kuehl's office: Report on voting centers; telebriefing given every week.*
- **Jenny Portillo** – *Representative from LA City Council Member Bob Blumfield's office: Updates given on the following: council's efforts to introduce nonpolice emergency personnel in some situations; school reopening plans, homelessness/bridge housing initiatives*
- **Marcia Mekonian** – *Canoga Park Library: Steps are being taken to reopen libraries*
- **Lisa Hamilton** – *Principal, Columbus Middle School: Updates given on school status*
- **Tara Vahdani** – *Representative for LAUSD School Board Member Scott Schmerelson : Report on Canoga Park Magnet programs; LAUSD COVID testing program*
- **Jasmine Elbarbary** – *DONE: Empower LA has issued updated bylaws; Youth Seat is now specified for individuals aged 14-17 years, which will go into effect after this current election cycle (ie, May 2021)*
- **Alexandra Baker** – *Graduate Student, Pepperdine University: Working on a research project regarding community needs; working to collect data on Canoga Park*
- **David Boynes** – *CSUN Bridge to the Future: Short update given on program*

3. Board Business

- a. Motion to approve the minutes of the September 2020 Board meeting.
Moved by Thema Bryant-Davis, seconded by Jessica Gonzalez. Motion passed.
 - b. Motion to approve the September MER.
Item tabled as no September MER is available.
 - c. Presentation/discussion and Motion to approve creation of a new Racial Equity Officer position for CPNC in accordance with Mayor Garcetti's Executive order 27.
*Presentation given by board member Dr. Thema Bryant-Davis.
Moved by Nauman Kahn and seconded by Michelle Miranda.
Motion passed.*
 - d. Motion to remove Allysa Neill from board and declare Youth Rep seat vacant.
*Moved by Thema Bryant-Davis and seconded by Michelle Miranda.
Roll call vote: 11 yes. 0 No. 0 Abstain. 5 Ineligible. Motion passed.*
 - e. Consideration of appointment of new member for the one available Youth Representative Seat, Helen Morales.
*Moved by Jessica Gonzalez and seconded by Thema Bryant-Davis.
Remarks presented by Ms. Morales.
Motion passed. Helen Morales was seated on the CPNC Board.*
 - f. Motion to add Jitzel Vasquez Ruiz, Helen Morales and Diego Cortez to join and help revive the education committee.
*Moved by Thema Bryant-Davis and seconded by Jessica Gonzalez.
Motion passed.*
 - g. Motion to form an ad hoc committee for CPNC election planning to include Mary, Steve, Jessica.
*Motion to amend item to change the proposed members to "Mary Paterson" and "Jessica Gonzalez" only. Moved by Thema Bryant-Davis and seconded by Jessica Gonzalez. Motion passed.
Motion to approve the amended motion. Moved by Thema Bryant-Davis and seconded by Kyra Edrington. Motion passed.*
 - h. Motion to modify/approve required CPNC election worksheet.
Item tabled.
 - i. Consideration of appointment of new member to one of the HomeOwner/Condo seats Donna Magee.
Item tabled because Ms. Magee was not in attendance.
 - j. Consideration of appointment of new member for the one Youth Representative Seat, Diego
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Cortez.

Item is no longer applicable as Mr. Cortez has been appointment to the Education Committee instead, with the Youth Seat being filled by Ms. Morales.

4. Board Announcements

- Steve Slutzah: Remarks on recent community activities
- Mary Paterson: There will be no Dia de Los Muertos this year, but a virtual event is planned
- Michelle Miranda: ACE will be distributing free turkeys at Lanark Park next month

6. Adjournment

Moved by Thema Bryant-Davis and seconded by Leonel Fuentes. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:59 pm.



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