



Board Meeting Minutes
Canoga Park Neighborhood (CPNC)
7:00 PM, Wednesday, February 23, 2022



I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL:

- The meeting is called to order at 7:16 PM
- Present: Mary Paterson, Dr. Thema Bryant Davis, Helen Morales, Leonel Fuentes, Kyra Edrington, Jessica Gonzalez, Steve Slutzah, Ray Cole, Brain Mallasch, Quincy Clemons, Annette McClain, Ronald Clary, and Elmer Garcia
- Excused: Nuaman Khan, Robert Munoz, and Jitzel Vasquez-Ruiz
- A quorum was established.

II. Secretary status of board member trainings

- 13 board members have completed the anti-bias training and the board is still waiting on five more members.

IV. Approval of the Minutes of the CPNC Nov/Dec Meeting 12/08/2021.

- Moved by Ron and second by Michelle.
- A discussion was made by Steve, noting that the minutes should include the exact notations of when the quorum was lost during the December 8 minutes.
- Ron moves to amend the December 8 minutes to include the direct verbiage that there was a loss of quorum for some time. Dr. Thema seconds.
 - Roll Call Vote:
 - Yes: 13
 - Motion passes
- Motion on the original approval for the December minutes
 - Roll Call Vote:
 - Yes: 13
 - Motion Passes

V. Resignation of board members Michael Davis and Daniel Griffith, declare two residential renter seats vacant.

- No vote was needed and the declaration of the vacancies was accepted.

VI. GOVERNMENT REPORTS

- Erin Seinfeld gives a report from the Mayor's office, noting the first ever LA City Youth Council and encouraging those who are civically engaged from 16 - 25 years old to apply. Applications can be found using this link:
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdpbASILEyEYAKKluJtBlVaVVkg6dAUmLcPUoWC10mRR9i0fg/viewform> .
- Alberto Vargas gives a report from Assembly Member Gabriel's office. The Assemblymember Gabriel internship will return to a remote setting and the office is working with different Cedar Sinai hospitals to create community resources.
- Tessa Charnofsky gives the report on the new mask mandate, noting that those who are fully vaccinated have the option of not masking indoors.
- Duke Dao and SLO Moreno give the crime rate numbers in the city, specifically noting the specific car models that were being stolen the most.
- Tim Glick reports from Council Member Blumenfield's office. They firstly thanked everyone for their participation in the homeless count. In addition, the council approved meal deliveries to seniors, serving over a million meals.
- Raule and Vanessa from the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment: Vanessa introduces Raul to the boarding, noting his intense training and his assignment to Canoga Park. Raul gives his greetings to the board and extends his assistance to anyone who needs help from the Neighborhood Council System.
- Jessica Gonzalez gives the Budget Advocate report, noting that she went over it and saying that there is a specific link for neighborhood councils to visit to track council files from the city. She will forward the report to everyone in case they would like to read it.

VII. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT - Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. Each speaker will be allowed 2 minute(s)

- No Public Comments, so President Paterson thanked everyone in the meeting and noted that if anyone is interested in joining the board, feel free to contact her.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Homeless Solutions / Outreach report on the Homeless count Feb 22, 2022

- Ray Cole gives a positive report regarding the homeless count.
- Jessica Gonzalez extends her gratitude to Ray for leading the task.

b. Bylaw Committee – discussion and possible action to add new members to the Bylaws Committee. A brief discussion and introduction on the issue of the nature of Standing Rules, and the distinctions between such rules and bylaws and consideration as to whether such rules should be adopted, at a later date, by the council upon recommendation by the bylaw committee.

- Nomination for the bylaw committee, motioned by Ron Clary as the chair, moved to add Steve Slutzah, Corinne Ho, Jessica Gonzalez, Mary Paterson
- Ron notes that it is absolutely imperative to have a consistent approach to every committee meeting, and in order to achieve that, standing rules and procedures should be implemented.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:08 PM.