Neighborhood Council of Westchester/Playa Education Committee

Meeting Agenda – August 23, 2017

Westchester Municipal Building Community Room, 7166 W. Manchester Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90045

1. 6:30pm Call to Order – Dr. Michele Cooley Strickland, Chair

2. Vote to approve May 24, 2017 Meeting Minutes

3. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (2 minutes maximum) – Complete a Speaker Card*

4. New Business

**Action Item 1: Discussion of Community Inquiries**

**New Middle School Pathway (NMSP) – Westchester/Playa Parents for Better Schools FB question:** Is NMSP designated as the residential middle school for Westchester/Playa families? – Principal Kyle Hunsberger will be present to discuss this issue and other NMSP questions.

**Cowan Avenue Elementary – August 18, 2017 email from Magnet Coordinator Sarah Ponton to NCWP:** As the new Magnet Coordinator at Cowan Avenue Elementary, want to introduce myself and connect Cowan to the community.

**Loyola Village Elementary School – August 16, 2017 email from Westchester W. 87th Street resident to LAUSD (Ms. Shannon Haber, Dr. Krishna Smith) and NCWP:** After two years of picking up litter from Westside of Loyola Village Elementary, speeding cars, and disobeyed traffic signs, how to improve interior and exterior facilities?

- Committee Discussion on Action Item 1
- Potential Plans of Action
- Motion and Vote to support/modify/deny Action Item 1

**Action Item 2: LAUSD Westchester/Playa Facilities**

At the May 24, 2017 NCWP Education Committee Meeting, a discussion was held about the LAUSD Facilities in Westchester/Playa. Subsequently, LAUSD Chief Facilities Executive Mark Hovatter’s office was contacted. The Education Committee is charged with developing a list of questions for Mr. Hovatter to respond to, including potentially planning to host a Westchester/Playa LAUSD Facilities Forum.

Motion for Westchester/Playa Facilities Forum hosted by the NCWP and Letter of Invitation

- Committee Discussion on Action Item 2
- Potential Plans of Action
  - Letter to LAUSD Chief Facilities Executive Mark Hovatter

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- Motion to NCWP Board to Host a Westchester/Playa LAUSD Facilities Forum
- Motion and Vote to support/modify/deny Action Item 2

**Action Item 3: Welcome Letters to New Principals in Westchester/Playa Schools**

The Committee will discuss whether the NCWP should send letters of welcome to the new school principals in Westchester/Playa. For example, on the Westchester High School campus alone, New Middle School Pathway (Mr. Kyle Hunsberger), WISH Academy High School (Ms. Kellie Mowll), and Westchester Enriched Sciences Magnets High School (Dr. Janet Mack) each have new principals.

- Committee discussion on Action Item 3
- Motion to support/modify/deny Action Item 3

**Action Item 4 – Community Outreach and Announcements**

a. LMU: Government and Community Relations
b. Otis College of Art and Design
c. LAX Coastal Chamber of Commerce – Education Committee
d. Local Schools
e. Local Groups

- Committee Discussion on Action Item 4
- Motion and Vote to support/modify/deny Action Item 4

Next meeting – September 27, 2017 at 6:30pm in the Westchester Municipal Building Community Room.

Motion to Adjourn (Target: 7:30pm).

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