NCWP Board Special Meeting
APPROVED MINUTES
Submitted by Geoff Maleman

Monday, May 21, 2018 – 6:30 p.m.
Westchester Council Community Room
7166 Manchester Avenue, Westchester, CA 90045

Present: Gregg Aniolek, Scott Carni, Michele Cooley-Strickland, Tom Flintoft, Michael Frisch, Chris Gemgnani, Paula Gerez, Ted Grose, Don Hellwig, Cyndi Hench, Andrew Kamm, Patricia Morrison Lyon, Geoff Maleman, David Mannix, David Oliver, Matt Rheault, Julie Ross, Glenda Silva, Fred Smith, Garrett Smith, Jack Topal, Heather Tuttle, David Voss,

Excused: Alan Quon, Gordon Welty, Grace Yao,

Absent: Tilmann Gruber, John David Webster,

1. Call to Order – President Hench called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance led by President Hench

3. Introductions

4. Announcements from Governmental Representatives

   Chuy Orozco of Councilman Mike Bonin’s Office spoke re: city budget and its impact on LAHSA outreach and trash pick-up efforts

5. Announcements from Board Members

   Frisch – announced Senior Health and Wellness Fair set for June 2 at the Senior Center from 10am to 2pm. The item will include free screenings, food, entertainment – flyers available in the community room

6. Public Comment - non-agenda items

   Trevor Candler spoke re: promotion of more citizen participation and other items included in the Charter Amendment that created the Neighborhood Council system

7. Motions/Actions Items and Related Public Comment

   1. Consent Calendar:
      a. Approval of Minutes of previous Board meetings
      b. Receive and file the Treasurer's Reports
      c. Motion to continue using Moore Business Results for webpage development, maintenance and support.
      d. Motion to approve revised budget for fiscal 2017-2018
      e. Motion to approve budget for fiscal 2018-2019, including recurring expenditures for $25 per month for Mailchimp and $875 for Hometown News
      f. Motion to approve expenditure of up to $30 to add SSL (security) certification to the NCWPDR.ORG website
      g. Motion to approve grant request of $1,500 from Wright Middle School STEAM Magnet for campus beautification
      h. Motion to approve grant request of $1,500 from Westchester Enriched Sciences Magnets for restoration of historic airplane.
      i. Motion to approve grant request of $1,500 from Friends of the Open School for campus beautification at The Open Charter School.
      j. Motion to approve expenditure not to exceed $1,500 for the Star of the Neighborhood entry in the LAX Coastal Chamber of Commerce July 4th Parade.
k. Motion to support the investigation of cost to 1) upgrade NCWPDR.ORG website and 2) enable live streaming of NCWP meetings.

l. Motion to support zone variance to reduce required number of auto parking spaces from 22 to 20 (7360 La Tijera)

m. Motion to approve Community Impact Statement to LACC Homeless and Poverty Committee and LA City Council.

n. Committee Assignments - Motion to appoint Kimberly Fox (non Board member) to PLUC, Tillman Gruber (Board member) to ARC, Ryan Williams (non Board member) to ARC, Ted Grose (Board member) to chair Government Affairs

M/S G. Smith/Mannix to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion passes unanimously. (Flintoft and Voss abstaining on Item (7.1.j.)

2. Discussion Calendar

   a. Motion to approve grant request of $1,500 from New Pathways Middle School for Dreambox licenses for the sixth-grade class. *(called special by Mannix)*

   M/S Mannix/Cooley-Strickland to approve the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

   M/S Voss/Grose to table items 7.2.b., 7.2.c., 7.2.d., to the next regularly scheduled NCWP board meeting on June 5, 2018. Motion Fails 7-12 (IN FAVOR: Flintoft, Gemgnani, Grose, Kamm, Maleman, F. Smith, Voss. OPPOSED: Aniolek, Carni, Cooley-Strickland, Frisch, Gerez, Hellwig, Lyon, Mannix, Oliver, G. Smith, Topal, Tuttle. ABSTAINING: Silva.)

   b. Election of Officers - Motion to appoint Michele Cooley-Strickland to the position of Vice President and Paula Gerez to the position of Corresponding Secretary *(called special by Voss)*

   M/S G. Smith/Lyon to approve the motion. Motion approved by acclamation. (Silva abstaining).

   c. New Board Member Appointments - Motion to appoint Julie Ross to open At Large 1 seat and Matt Rheault to Business Seat 90293 *(called special by public comment request) (2/3s vote required)*

   Trevor Candler spoke re: his desire to be nominated to be appointed to the At Large 1 seat

   Loris Ourieff spoke in favor of Trevor Candler to be appointed to the At Large 1 seat

   M/S Voss/Grose to table this item to the next regularly scheduled NCWP board meeting on June 5, 2018. Motion Fails 9-10 (IN FAVOR: Flintoft, Gemgnani, Grose, Kamm, Maleman, Mannix, F. Smith, Topal, Voss. OPPOSED: Aniolek, Carni, Cooley-Strickland, Frisch, Gerez, Hellwig, Lyon, Oliver, G. Smith, Tuttle. ABSTAINING: Silva.)

   M/S G. Smith/Frisch to approve the motion. Motion approved unanimously. (Silva abstaining).

   d. Motion to approve revisions to the NCWP Bylaws as per supporting documentation. *(called special by public comment request)*

   Trevor Candler spoke against the proposal to reduce the NCWP quorum to less than 50% of the board members and re: the process of creating committees, inclusion of stakeholders
Loris Ourieff spoke in favor of including stakeholder involvement (non-Board members) on the by-laws committee and against a single person (the president) appointing an ad hoc committee under the bylaws.

M/S Maleman/Grose to table this item to the next regularly scheduled NCWP board meeting on June 5, 2018 so that it can be discussed and revised by the full board at that time. Motion approved 12-7 (IN FAVOR: Aniolek, Carni, Cooley-Strickland, Flintoft, Gemgnani, Grose, Lyon, Maleman, Mannix, F. Smith, Topal, Voss. OPPOSED: Frisch, Gerez, Hellwig, Oliver, Ross, G. Smith, Tuttle. ABSTAINING: Rheault and Silva abstaining.)

8. Committee Reports

Frisch reported that NCWP will have a booth at Senior Health and Wellness Fair and is seeking volunteers

Lyon reported that PLUC will have a special meeting on May 31

Garrett reported that the NCWP social media hits are increasing

9. Announcements

There were no announcements from the Board.

10. Adjourn – President Hench adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 5, 2018 – 6:30 p.m.