

Friends of Lake Balboa
Department of Recreation and Parks, City of Los Angeles

Meeting Notice and Agenda
Thursday, May 28, 2009, 6:30 p.m.
Valley Region Headquarters, 6335 Woodley Avenue

1. Call To Order, Self-Introductions
2. Review/Corrections/Approval of Minutes March 26, 2009
3. Citywide Aquatics: Principal Recreation Supervisor I-Mary Bingham; Aquatic Director- Richard Godin;, and Aquatic Facility Manager II- Mike Shanto
 - a. Discussion of the duties and authorities of the Aquatics department. Enforcement of rules, for example, bikes on the walking path, feeding the birds, dogs off-leash and parking issues. Contacting the proper authorities.
 - b. Frequency of patrols by boat and by walking around the lake.
 - c. Number of people and their hours on duty on weekdays and on weekends/holidays.
 - d. Pedal boats- revenue vs. cost.
 - e. Responsibility for the trash on the dock, in the lake, and the launch ramp.
 - f. Contact person and telephone number for aquatics issues.
 - g. Display boards need to be opened earlier and daily. Notices must be updated. Possibly duties to be shared by the Department of Recreation and Parks and the Friends of Lake Balboa.
 - h. Employees should wear name tags.
 - i. Walk path notices, such as "Do not feed the birds" and "No fishing" need to be repainted.
 - j. Animal control deferred the problem of the aggressive geese to the lifeguards
 - k. Other issues, concerns, and questions.
4. Department of Recreation and Parks Report , previous meeting updates
 - a. Parking issues: Boulders need to be placed at the Balboa entrance on the south side of the road. Status of additional post delineators.
 - b. New informational kiosk along walk path
 - c. Cherry trees report. Status of removal and replacement of the cherry trees.
 - d. Replacement and pruning of the wisteria vines.
 - e. Staffing reductions
 - f. New signage: "No Smoking" signs

5. Department of Recreation and Parks Report, new items
 - a. Update notice about the Friends of Lake Balboa on the Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council website.
 - b. Algae in the lake
 - c. Parking lot car break-ins
 - d. Horses at the lake and clean-up after them (especially on walk path)
 - e. Assistance to the Department of Recreation and Parks- volunteering
 - f. Other updates
6. Persian New Year Event (Nooruz), April 5, 2009 – report and recommendations
7. Ongoing Issues
 - a. Proposed Dodger Dream Field Complex Project
 - b. Bull Creek Ecosystem Restoration Project – fencing, maintenance, enforcement of rules, graffiti, and trash pick-up
 - c. Other
8. Public Comment
9. Next meeting: Thursday, July 30, 2009 at 6:30 pm
 - a. Invite a Department of Transportation representative to the next meeting.
10. Adjournment