



Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council

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**Board Meeting Minutes
 Wednesday, March 6, 2019
 6:30pm-7:00PM Meet and Greet
 7:00PM – 8:58pm meeting
 (DRAFT)**

Meeting Location:
[Gault Street Elementary School](#)
[17000 Gault Street](#)
[Lake Balboa CA 91406](#)
 (MAIL NOT ACCEPTED AT THIS ADDRESS)

Board Member	Roll Call	Funding Vote Eligible*	Category
Carla Bautista	Present (left 8:09PM)	YES	At-Large
James Brown 1 st Vice President	Present	YES	Resident
Ruth Doxsee	Present (arrived 7:12PM)(left 8:55PM)	YES	Organization
Kristen Fujitaki 2 nd Vice President	Present	YES	At-Large
Linda Gravani President	Present	YES	Business
Byron Gutierrez	Present	YES	At-Large
James Hart Treasurer	Absent**	YES	Residential
Sandra Joseph	Present	YES	Residential
Cindy Kurland	Present (arrived 7:10PM)	YES	Residential
Madeleine McKay	Present (left 8:30PM)	NO	Youth
Allen Nelson Communications	Present (arrived 7:05PM)	YES	Organization
Carol Newman Secretary	Present	YES	Business
Mary Pennomon	Present	YES	Senior
Linda Pruett	Present	YES	Organization
Thomas Riley	Present	YES	Residential
Karen Schatz	Present	YES	Residential
James "Jim" Stein	Present	YES	Business
TOTAL: 17	13 PRESENT, 4 ABSENT at the beginning of the meeting		

*Funding vote eligibility key: **A**=age less than 18 yrs.; **E**=Ethics training; **F**=Funding training; **N**=not taken; **X**=expired

** Advance notice given for absence

L.A. City Charter Sec 900. Purpose (Of Neighborhood Councils)

*To promote more citizen participation in government and **make government more responsive to local needs**, a citywide system of neighborhood councils and a Department of Neighborhood Empowerment is created. Neighborhood councils shall include representatives of the many diverse interests in communities and shall have an advisory role on issues of concern to the neighborhood.*

We are a department within the city of Los Angeles. We are required to follow city and state laws. The Brown Act does not allow us to discuss anything that is NOT on tonight's agenda. Items are on time limits so that the meeting will end around 930p for the school staff. Time allocations are approximate and may be shortened or lengthened at the discretion of the President. The time keeper is: Mr. Brown

1. Call Meeting to order—Ms. Linda Gravani called the meeting of the Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council to

order at 7:00 PM. Ms. Gravani read from the Lake Balboa Bylaws the purpose of Neighborhood Councils and welcomed everyone to the meeting and notified the Stakeholders about the sign-in sheets, speaker cards, refreshments and using the microphone when speaking. There were twelve stakeholders in attendance. Timekeeper Mr. Brown.

2. Pledge of Allegiance-The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Brown.
3. Roll Call-Quorum is 9, roll was called by Ms. Schatz and there were 13 Boardmembers in attendance, Quorum was met.

LBNC ITEM 3 Roll Call		
Present – 13	Absent- 3	Excused-01
Bautista, Brown, Fujitaki, Gravani, Gutierrez, Joseph, McKay, Newman, Pennomon, Pruet, Riley, Schatz, Stein	Doxsee, Kurland, Nelson	Hart

4. Adoption of the Agenda March 6, 2019
Ms. Gravani stated that items 5 through 8 on the Agenda would be postponed until next month. Also, because no refreshments were provided for this meeting, no refreshments needed to be voted on.

Public comment: none

Motion passed.

LBNC ITEM 4 Adoption of the Agenda March 6, 2019 as amended Moved: Newman Second: Riley		
Yes – 13	No-00	Absent -04
Bautista, Brown, Fujitaki, Gravani, Gutierrez, Joseph, McKay, Newman, Pennomon, Pruet, Riley, Schatz, Stein	None	Doxsee, Hart, Kurland, Nelson

Mr. Nelson joined the meeting at 7:05PM

5. Items 5, 6, 7, and 8, **Postponed** (Approval of Minutes)
9. Announcements and Reports: Representatives of LAPD, Local, City, County, State and Federal Government Offices.

- a. West Valley LAPD Captain Ernest Eskridge - Senior Lead Officers (SLOs) - 1-877-ASK-LAPD SLO (Para)
West Valley Division-Senior Lead Officer Hugo Fuentes <mailto:40093@lapd.online> -Absent
West Valley Division –Senior Lead Officer Smith (Para) 818-374-7631 <mailto:34488@lapd.online>-
SLO Smith gave the updates for the Lake Balboa area. Crime sheets are available on the back table. There was a robbery at the In and Out at the corner of Sherman Way and Balboa. There was an immediate response that the suspect was in a white van. The police got to the scene so quickly that they followed 2 separate vans matching the description. One which had the suspect was apprehended, and the other was let go after the suspect was caught. It was a code 3 situation and the suspect was quickly apprehended thanks to a citizen who called it in. Call the LAPD when you see something and let them know. There was a situation at Stagg Street and Gloria Avenue at the Gentleman’s Club with a dispute with a young man who was mouthing off. He was shot and killed. Be aware of your surroundings. A lot of buildings around town are being demolished because they

were being used by the homeless. Ms. Fujitaki asked questions in regard to a rape. SLO Smith said she would contact her privately.

- b. Councilmember Nury Martinez's Office (CD 6) 818-778-4999, Field Deputy, Lauren.Padick@lacity.org

Ms. Padick gave an update on the 93 girls who participated in the Fire Department girls camp who shadow women firefighters. Next month there will be an event in the Basin for Earth Day or Arbor Day, an art contest for first grade through high school. There will be prizes and the winner will have their artwork put on the side of the City of Los Angeles Sanitation trucks. The Deadline is March 22nd. The information is available on Councilwoman Nury Martinez's website. Mini clean-ups have been happening around the Council District. A new truck has been added so now there are two crews on the street. Please send photos and locations where clean- up is needed.

Ms. Kurland joined the meeting at 7:10PM.

A reminder from SLO Smith, that on March 13, 2019 at 7:00PM the CPAB Meeting will be held at West Valley Station. Thanks to James Brown, Police Chief Michel Moore will be in attendance.

Ms. Doxsee joined the meeting at 7:12PM.

- c. Mayor Garcetti's Valley Office, East Valley Area Representative, Jacqueline.Serrano@lacity.org 213-910-9104 –Ms. Serrano has taken a position in Washington D.C. The Mayor's office is looking for a replacement.- Absent
- d. City Attorney's Office 213-978-8100-Neighborhood Prosecutor, Raffy Astvasadoorian raffy.a@lacity.org 818-374-6842- Works with LAPD and the Council office. –Absent
- e. LAUSD Scott Schmerelson's Office (District 3) 818-654-3785 Dir of Parent & Community Engagement Jeannie.Kamm@lausd.net - Absent
- f. LAUSD Director of Communication & Community Affairs Ambrosia.Solis@lausd.net - Absent
- g. LAUSD Kelly Gonez office (District 6) 818-389-9216 - Dir of Community Engagement & Advocacy Cara.Onofre@lausd.net – Absent
- h. LAUSD Northwest District Administrator Parent/Community Engagement-Gonsalo Garay ggs9445@lausd.net 818-654-360 - Absent
- i. Los Angeles County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl's Office (District 3) 213-974-3333 Dist. Dir. Benita Trujillo btrujillo@bos.lacounty.gov –Absent
- j. California Assemblymember Adrin Nazarian's office (District 46) 818-376-4246 Emma.Taylor@asm.ca.gov

We have a very busy March. Our office will be starting a new event on How to Start a Non-profit. It will be held at Valley College on March 14, 2019. Our big event will be free Women's Self Defense Classes starting on the last 2 weekends in March. There will be a total of 5 classes. Please R.S.V.P. on the website. We can accept girls ages 12 to seniors. In April we will be doing an event with the IATSE Entertainment Union working with departments such as: Make-up, Lighting, and Grips. They will be giving information to people as to how they can break into their line of work. It will be held at Valley College with a date to be decided. Ms. Taylor will present the Legislative Agenda next month. The Assembly Office will be conducting their 6th annual Chess Tournament for Elementary Schools, to be expanded to more schools. It will be on April 27, 2019 in Lake Balboa at Hi-Tech LA. LBNC will be sponsoring snacks.

- k. California State Senator Robert Hertzberg's Office (District 18) - 818-901-5588 Samatha.Stafford@sen.ca.gov – Hannah Kelly attended the meeting. Wanted to announce that the Senator introduced a bill that will give \$5 Million in statewide funding for homeless shelters that will take individuals and families with pets. SB 63 student loan outreach is being worked on for the closed Brightwood College in Van Nuys. SB 50 (Weiner) is an SB827 re-boot, waives zoning, but promotes incentives for housing development not only in transit-rich centers but also provides incentives for job-rich centers. Ms. Kelly said their office is looking for solutions. Mr. Brown suggested people do their research before contacting the Senator's office.
- l. California State Senator Henry Stern's Office (District 27) 818-876-3352 Kevin.Taylor@sen.ca.gov – Absent
- m. US Representative Tony Cardenas (District 29) 818-782-7407 Nigel.Sanchez@mail.house.gov – Absent
- n. US Representative Brad Sherman (District 30) 818-501-9200 Mary.Chakerian@mail.house.gov – Absent
- o. Small Business Association (SBA) - Joe Lee Suh is from the Los Angeles District Office which covers the areas of Los Angeles, Ventura and Santa Barbara Counties. His organization has four ways of helping small businesses: Access to Capital, Contracting, Counseling and Disaster Recovery Assistance. Many large businesses were small businesses that we helped. There is an online tool called Lender Match, which can help match you up with funding. There are several handouts at the back of the room. We have access to free counselors through S.C.O.R.E., mentoring, free and low cost workshops. The Federal Government is the largest purchaser of goods and services. The SBA wants to help you provide them to the Government. They can help provide contracts and permits. There is also help for those who lost their businesses in the wildfires. There are loans available.
- p. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) 818-374-9896 Betty Wong Oyama betty.wong@lacity.org – Updates: Ms. Wong's current phone # is 818-374-9896 (corrected above). All NC's need to change the ADA Language and PRA information on all agendas from the

Department's contact information, to the Neighborhood Council's contact information. The agendas will be kicked back if this is not corrected. The Empower LA Awards will be on Thursday, March 28, 2019 at City Hall at 6:00 PM. The City Clerk has updated the funding manual in January. Betty brought copies for Mr. Hart and Ms. Gravani. All NC and co-sponsored event applications must be submitted 30 days in advance of your event. Funding Trainings: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 6-8:30PM and Tuesday March 26, 2019 1:30 to 4:00 PM at City Hall East. Call for R.S.V.P. and Parking at: 213-978-1058. Ethics, Funding, and Board Orientation will be set up in May after the election.

LBNC Election Sunday May 19, 2019 10:00AM to 4:00PM, here in the Auditorium:

Candidate Filing closed on March 5, 2019

You have 6 Residential Seats / 6 Certified Candidates and 2 Non Certified Candidates

You have 3 Business Seats/ 5 Certified Candidates

You have 3 Organizational Representative Seats/ 2 Certified and 2 Non Certified Candidates.

You have 1 Senior Rep Seat / 1 Certified Candidate

You have 1 At Large Community Interest Seats/ 2 Certified Candidates

You have 1 Youth Seat / 3 Non Certified Candidates

Board Retreat Saturday, June 1, 2019

New Board Swearing in Wednesday June 5, 2019

Ms. Wong gave her heartfelt thanks to Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council for celebrating their 15 year Anniversary as part of the Neighborhood Council System. Linda Gravani asked Bill Haller, the First President of the Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council, to accept the award. Ms. Wong handed out 15 year pins to all of the Board Members. Ms. Gravani stated that the last day to turn in election documentation is Friday, March 8, 2019.

President Gravani announced the purpose of Neighborhood Councils by reading from the Los Angeles City Charter Section 910.

L.A. City Charter Sec. 910. Monitoring of City Services.

Neighborhood councils shall monitor the delivery of City services in their respective areas and have periodic meetings with responsible officials of City departments, subject to their reasonable availability.

10. Guest Speaker: Commander Jorge Rodriguez LA's Illegal Fireworks Task Force (created by Council File #17-1421) 20 min.

Mr. Rodriguez was not present. Accordingly, Ms. Gravani moved the meeting to Item 11.

11. Presentation by Bassett Street School regarding their proposed Magnet Program - Principal Christoff 10 Min
Principal Christoff Introduced Teachers: Maggie Riley, Ms. Madrid, and Mr. Fred the Resource teacher. Mr. Christoff thanked Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council for their support. Bassett Street Elementary is applying for a Magnet School program. The Magnet program they are requesting is for Communication Arts, Visual Arts, Broadcasting, and Robotics. The Bassett Robotics program participated in the World Robotics Championships in Kentucky. Bassett wants to provide that as magnet specialization. Schools are losing enrollment. Bassett Elementary has been losing about 2 classrooms a year. Magnets bring students back.

This Magnet will elevate the entire school. Parents want their children to attend Magnets and Charters. This elementary school is a feeder school for Mullholland Middle School and Reseda High which also have robotics teams. The school is requesting a letter from LBNC supporting their efforts. Ms. Gravani mentioned the Bassett TV program at the school (BassettTV.com) and that Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council would like an article for the educational newsletter that they are producing.

Public comment: Danica (Stakeholder): Is there a time frame for the Magnet? Answer-They are waiting to hear.

Ms. Gravani stated that there are 13 schools in Lake Balboa, 6 Elementary, 1 Middle School, 1 K-12, and 5 High Schools.

12. Discussion and Possible action on whether or not to support Bassett Street School Magnet Program- 5 MIN Gutierrez

Ms. Gravani will write a letter on behalf of the LBNC to support the school being a Magnet. Mr. Riley, Land Use Committee Chair, stated that the Land Use Committee considers the schools and their improvement an asset to the community.

Public comment: none

Motion passed.

LBNC ITEM 12 – Motion to support Bassett Street Elementary School Magnet Program. Moved: Gravani Second: Brown		
Yes – 16	No -00	Absent -1
Bautista, Brown, Doxsee, Fujitaki, Gravani, Gutierrez, Joseph, Kurland, McKay, Nelson, Newman, Pennomon, Pruetz, Riley, Schatz, Stein	NONE	Hart

Ms. Gravani returned the meeting to Item 10.

10. LA’s Illegal Fireworks Task Force (created by Council File #17-1421)- Ms. Gravani mentioned that the information for the Council File is available on the back table if anyone would like to send a letter. City Council Files are numbered so the City can keep track of them. The City Council has said there’s a huge problem and has established a task force. Last year the Fourth of July was like a war zone in our community. Ms. Gravani stated that the City Council said the LAPD enhanced enforcement strategies including task force would include mitigating efforts which included education and awareness. Want to go to schools to talk about it. Changes need to be made for mobile reporting. Most efficient was to redesign the capabilities of myla311. They will configure the reporting part of the app to include description of suspect, how many, location, high fire zone, describe fireworks (ground, sparklers). James Brown is into this and has wanted this on the agenda for Councilwoman Martinez. Mr. Brown – All fireworks and sparklers are illegal in L.A. The City Council sponsored a motion to ask the LAPD and LAFD to come back with recommendations. In April 2018 the Public Safety Committee had a hearing with LAFD and LAPD asking for community input. We have CIS’s that address our concerns to City Hall. There are 34 NCs in the Valley and only 5 submitted a CIS, which is abysmal. LB was the 5th. The LAPD commander said that LAPD will continue with education and will begin a campaign in June. Regardless of how you feel, you as a community need to let them know how illegal fireworks impact the community. Increasing fines and penalties is what is needed. Let the Council members know how you feel. In Southern California there are 48 cities where all fireworks are illegal, 38 cities where they are legal. Fireworks won’t be declared illegal statewide. Make a difference. When the fireworks were going on a lot of people were complaining on NextDoor. With the wetlands area, Japanese Gardens so close to residential, it is a sensitive area overall. Signs go up mid- June through the 4th of July. LAPD is given a list

of addresses for violators. Write your representatives. Questions were raised as to whether the Lake Balboa area should have an organized Fireworks Event at one of the local parks.

Ms. Gravani returned the meeting to Item 13.

13. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- a. Linda Schwering- Questioned if the policy changed in January with the distribution of MER's? Can the MERs be listed on the agenda with one copy for the public and have them online for the public to review?

Break 8:07 PM to 8:09PM

Meeting was called back to order at 8:09PM

Ms. Bautista left the meeting at 8:09PM.

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS and REPORTS: Committee Chairs and Board Members

- a. **President Update:** Reminder to Board Members: Ms. Pruett your Ethics will expire on April 2, 2019, Ms. Pennomon your Ethics will expire on April 3, 2019, Ms. Schatz your Ethics will expire on May 2, 2019, and Ms. Doxsee your Ethics will expire on May 31, 2019. If your Ethics expire you are not able to vote or participate in the Board Meeting. May 20, 2019 is the last day for filing event forms for approval for this fiscal year using fiscal year funds. June 1 is the final day to submit a check payment request using fiscal year funds. The final day for any bank card transactions using current fiscal year funds is June 20, 2019. We hope to have the 2019-20 Budget to present at next month's meeting, to take the burden off the new people.
- b. **Ad Hoc Education-Gutierrez:** Career days are important. Last month I was able to attend Mulholland's Career Day, and there was a big turnout. North Hollywood High and Patrick Henry are coming up. Mr. Gutierrez was happy that the board supported Bassett Elementary Schools Magnet Program.
- c. **Emergency Preparedness -Pruett:** Emergency Preparedness meetings are held on the second Saturday of the month at the Van Nuys Flyaway. The meeting starts at 9:00AM. 2nd floor community room. Parking out front. This coming Saturday the program will be "get home bags," which are what you should have in your car if you have to get home in an emergency. The committee is also collecting donations for pets and people in shelters, donating them to Operation Blankets of Love. One more thing being collected is mascara wands. Please wash them first. They will be given to Wildlife Centers where they are used to clean and treat little tiny animals.
- d. **Health & Public Safety-Brown:** Wednesday, March 13, 2019 will be the CPAB Police Advisory Board Meeting at West Valley LAPD at 19020 Vanowen St. The guest will be Police Chief Michel Moore. It is open to the Public. The Meet and Greet will start at 6:30PM, Meeting starts at 7:00PM. The Health and Public Safety Committee will be hosting an Active Shooter Event on Saturday, March 16, 2019 at 10:00AM at the Van Nuys Flyaway- 7610 Woodley Ave. Free parking in front of the Flyaway Building.

- e. **Land Use –Riley:** 3rd Monday of the month 7:00PM, Flyaway Bus Terminal 2nd Floor meeting room Chair: Thomas@lakebalboanc.org Committee: Jordan Reid, Jim Stein, Linda Pruett, and Mary Pennomon. Mr. Riley spoke about the Van Nuys flight plan patterns. They will not affect Lake Balboa. The flight paths will remain the same. SB50: Big Brother is taking over the community. They will tell us what we can and can't do. Tell your Representatives to turn it down.
- f. **Newsletter - Fujitaki** – Ms. Fujitaki mentioned that they are working to put together an education newsletter. The local Principals have been contacted for submissions to show why their schools shine. This is an opportunity to hear about our schools.
- g. **Outreach-Nelson:** 4th Tuesday of the month 7:00PM, Flyaway Bus Terminal 2nd Floor meeting room Chair: allen@lakebalboanc.com Vice-Chair: clara@lakebalboanc.org Committee: Jim Stein, James Brown, Lorna Paisley, Linda Pruett, Kristen Fujitaki, and Mary Pennomon. Allen: At the last Outreach meeting we had a presentation by Maggie Hernandez of Victory for Victims 10k and 5k fundraiser. They provide help to victims of abuse, and they will be at the next LBNC meeting. We discussed ordering more giveaways, the supplies are running low. Tom: The Outreach Committee would like to put on a parade next year starting at Valley Relics to bring recognition to Lake Balboa. Danica Middleton agreed to take the leadership of the parade and spoke about the ideas that are in the beginning stages. The parade will be in May 2020. She will give an update in the future.
- h. **Ad Hoc Recreation & Park-Stein:** Meetings TBA, Chair: jimstein@lakebalboanc.org : Due to the weather the work has not been done to install more chess tables at Louise Park. The 5th annual Movie in the Park will be June 15, 2019 at Louise Park. The movie will be Indiana Jones, Raiders of the Lost Ark. Advertising information will be sent.
Jim will ask if we can do fireworks in a park. He also spoke about an idea he had called Lake Balboa remembers.
- i. **Local Volunteer Neighborhood Oversight Committee (LVNOC)-Prop K- Doxsee/Stein/Gravani:**
no meeting/no report
- j. **Sepulveda Basin Wildlife Areas Steering Committee (SBWASC) - Sepulveda Basin Wildlife Areas Steering Committee-Ruth Doxsee/ Cindy Kurland:** There will be a Haskell Creek cleanup on April 13, 2019. First Sunday of each month is the Bird Walk from 8:00 AM to 11:30 AM. If you find a wild injured bird or animal, contact the California Wildlife Center. 310 458-9453 cawildlife.org10
no meeting/no report
- k. **Youth Affairs-McKay:** Daniel Pearl has been very receptive to the Resource Fair idea. She is trying to co-ordinate a day to meet with the Student Government. Many organizations may provide resources that they can discuss, including LAPD, City Council, Assembly, LGBT Center, Planned Parenthood, etc. Regarding the Talk Project, at Daniel Pearl Ms. McKay she learned about many interesting closets and tunnels around the campus from when it was a military hospital that might be interesting to talk about.

Ms. McKay left the meeting at 8:30PM.

- l. **Ad Hoc Election Committee –Schatz:** Chair: Karen@lakebalboanc.org Committee: Cindy Kurland and Mary Pennomon. Ms. Schatz spoke about the Election and the fact that it will be a competitive one. There will be 3 youth candidates. The next step is to start promoting the election in the community. Please volunteer to help. Next month there will be a candidate forum.

Ms. Gravani mentioned that the only current board member who is unopposed is Ms. Pennomon. She is the only one who will definitely be on the NC next fiscal year.

- m. **Liaisons:** no report
 - n. **Homeless-Kurland/Schatz:** www.lamayor.org/ABridgeHome www.eath.org Ms. Kurland spoke about the Van Nuys Airport Meeting in regards to the Airport flight paths. She attended the meeting. Complaints were made to the Advisory Board from community members of Encino and Sherman Oaks asking for the flight plans to be changed. The Advisory Board prepared a motion to have the FAA change the flight paths so that the flights will go over Lake Balboa again. The Transportation Committee of the City Council agreed to ask the FAA to do this. CD6 has no representation on the Advisory Board. Ms. Kurland is asking to be appointed. The Advisory Board advises the Transportation Committee of the City Council. On May 2, 2019 there will be an Aviation Career Day at Propeller Park.
 - o. **Resilient Los Angeles-Pruett:** www.lamayor.org/resilience No meetings were held but Ms. Pruet met with 2 other Neighborhood Council leaders who are working on the same report to the Mayor.
 - p. **LAPD Volunteer Police- Pennomon:** More volunteers are needed as they will be gearing up for the Olympics. They will need to do a patrol twice a month. If you see an accident, please listen to people doing traffic control. Ms. Pennomon was trying to prevent people from going into an area that had a shooting, and people did not want to obey.
 - q. **Boardmembers:** Riley- Allen Nelson: Proposed Art Projects. We met with Gonzalez and Stone regarding proposed art projects. They have an artists' creative. We will no longer be working with Andrea Wilson from the Cultural Arts Council. We will begin with the easiest projects starting with murals on the utility boxes and ending with the biggest project, the Sherman Way Tunnel Mural.
15. **Budget Advocate-Updates:** (<http://ncbala.com/>) Newman (Budget Advocate Carol Newman, Budget Rep Linda Gravani) The Budget Advocates have been doing outreach through articles in City Watch. There will be upcoming Town halls across the city to hear from Community Members. On March 14, 2019 The Budget Advocates will be meeting with Mayor Garcetti. The Budget Advocates will present him with the White Paper which contains about 100 pages. Ms. Newman was the primary editor. The biggest problem with the City is that there is not one person in charge and accountable. Ms. Newman also spoke about pensions. The West Valley Town Hall for Regions 1 and 2 has been scheduled for March 31, 2019 1:00 PM to 4:30PM at the West Valley Regional Library. The Budget Advocates need to get more money. They are given an amount of \$10,000.00 for the year. The rest of the money is given by Neighborhood Councils. Ms. Newman is currently working on revisions for the Budget Advocate Bylaws. Ms. Gravani mentioned that the Neighborhood Councils need to show their power.

L.A. City Charter Sec. 909. Annual City Budget Priorities.

Each neighborhood council may present to the Mayor and Council an annual list of priorities for the City budget. The Mayor shall inform certified neighborhood councils of the deadline for submission so that the input may be considered in a timely fashion.

16. Discussion and possible action to search and obtain a new minute taker 5 min Gravani Draft minutes were apparently available, but not forwarded to the LBNC Secretary for proofing. Mr. Hart will be contacted to check on payments. **Item Tabled**, President Gravani stated that all the minutes will be ready by next month. There was apparently a misunderstanding.

17. Candidates will be invited to April LBNC Meeting to introduce themselves to the stakeholders and advise why they would like to be elected. Betty Wong Oyama will moderate. - 2min Gravani Everyone will be invited. We have not yet received the official candidate list so that all candidates can be invited. Ms. Gravani should be getting the list on March 11, 2019.
18. Candidates please be advised, should you be elected LBNC will have a retreat on June 1, 2019 at LuLu’s Restaurant time to be determined (Possibly 10a-2 or 3p - 1 min Gravani The retreat is being held so that the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment will go over the Brown Act and we can get to know each other.
19. FUNDING: Discussion and possible action regarding approval of Jan Monthly Expense Report (MER) Hart 3 min

Public comment: none

Motion passed.

LBNC ITEM 19 –Motion to approve the January Monthly Expenditure Report Moved: Gravani Second: Brown		
Yes – 14	No -00	Absent-03
Brown, Doxsee, Fujitaki, Gravani, Gutierrez, Joseph, Kurland, Nelson, Newman, Pennomon, Pruet, Riley, Schatz, Stein	NONE	Bautista, Hart, McKay

20. FUNDING: Discussion and possible action regarding approval of Feb Monthly Expense Report (MER) Hart 3 min
The February MER was not available.
Item Postponed

21. FUNDING: Discussion and possible action to authorize \$1,000 NPG to Southern California Preparedness Foundation 47-2811120 CA - Joseph – The Valley Preparedness Fair will be on Saturday, October 12, 2019 9:00 AM to 1:30PM A free supply kit will be given to participants while supplies last, and there will be a Red Cross blood drive. Admission and lunch are free. It will be held in the parking lot at the Northridge Fashion Center (near the Pacific Theater). For more information the website is www.valleydisasterfair.com

Ms. Pruet recused herself and left the room for the discussion and vote.

Public comment: none

Motion passed.

LBNC ITEM - 21 Motion to authorize \$1000 NPG to the Southern California Preparedness Foundation 47-2811120. Moved: Joseph Second: Brown		
Yes-13	Recused- 01	Absent-03
Brown, Doxsee, Fujitaki, Gravani, Gutierrez, Joseph, Kurland, Nelson, Newman, Pennomon, Riley, Schatz, Stein	Pruett	Bautista, Hart, McKay

Ms. Doxsee left the meeting at 8:55 pm.

22. FUNDING item from 8/1/18 LBNC meeting which authorized the expenditure of up to \$100 per LBNC Board Meeting. Discussion and possible action to Reimburse LBNC board member for tonight's refreshments 2min Gravani **Item Postponed, there were no refreshments**

CONSENSUS ITEMS - items # 23 - 27 will be voted on with one motion, please indicate if you wish any item(s) to be removed and discussed individually.

- 23. FUNDING: Discussion and possible action to authorize an additional \$1,000 to Budget Advocates. Gutierrez
- 24. FUNDING Discussion and possible action to authorize reimbursement of \$26.46 to James Brown for 2/20/19 Health & Public Safety Meeting refreshments – Hart
- 25. FUNDING Discussion and possible action to authorize outreach expenditure up to \$500 for 2nd Annual Chess Tournament with CA Assembly member Nazarian- Fujitaki
- 26. FUNDING: Discussion and possible action to authorize up to \$800 expenditure for outreach items, such as Tote Bags and other give away items – Stein
- 27. FUNDING: Discussion and possible action to authorize up to \$300 expenditure for business cards for Board Members Gravani

Public comment: none

Motion passed.

Items 23-27 Motion to approve consent items. Moved: Gravani Second: Brown			
Yes – 13	No -00	Abstain - 00	Absent - 04
Brown, Fujitaki, Gravani, Gutierrez, Joseph, Kurland, Nelson, Newman, Pennomon, Pruet, Riley, Schatz, Stein	NONE	NONE	Bautista, Doxsee, Hart, McKay

28. Thank you LBNC Board Members for all you do for our community

29. Motion to Adjourn

Public comment: none

Motion passed.

Item 29 Motion to Adjourn @ 8:58PM Moved: Gravani Second: Joseph		
Yes – 13	No -00	Absent-04
Brown, Fujitaki, Gravani, Gutierrez, Joseph, Kurland, Nelson, Newman, Pennomon, Pruet, Riley, Schatz, Stein	NONE	Bautista, Doxsee, Hart, McKay

Meeting adjourned at: 8:58

**Next Regular Meeting of the
Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council
Wednesday April 3, 2019 at 7:00 PM**

For your convenience, the Bylaws are available on our website www.lakebalboanc.org in compliance with Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the board in advance of a meeting, may be viewed at our website by clicking on the following link: www.lakebalboanc.org, or at the scheduled meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, [please contact carol@lakebalboanc.org](mailto:please_contact_carol@lakebalboanc.org) our current secretary.

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