



Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council

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**Board Meeting Minutes
 Wednesday, April 3, 2019
 6:30pm-7:00PM Meet and Greet
 7:00PM – 9:15 PM Meeting**

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	YES	At-Large
James Brown 1 st Vice President	Present	YES	Resident
Ruth Doxsee	Present	YES	Organization
Kristen Fujitaki 2 nd Vice President	Present	YES	At-Large
Linda Gravani President	Present	YES	Business
Byron Gutierrez	Present (arrived at 7:28PM)	YES	At-Large
James Hart Treasurer	Present (arrived at 7:09PM)	YES	Residential
Sandra Joseph	Present	YES	Residential
Cindy Kurland	Present	YES	Residential
Madeleine McKay	Present (left at 8:45PM)	NO	Youth
Allen Nelson Communications	Present	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 (left, arrived back at 7:10PM)	YES	Residential
James "Jim" Stein	Present	YES	Business
TOTAL: 17	14 PRESENT, 3 Absent at roll call		

*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.*

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.

- 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 twenty stakeholders in attendance. Mr. Brown was the Timekeeper.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**-The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Brown.
3. **Roll Call**-Quorum is 9, roll was called by Ms. Fujitaki and there were 14 Boardmembers in attendance, Quorum was met.

LBNC ITEM 3 Roll Call		
Present – 14	Absent- 3	Excused-00
Bautista, Brown, Doxsee, Fujitaki, Gravani, Joseph, Kurland, McKay, Nelson, Newman, Pennomon, Pruett, Riley, Stein	Gutierrez, Hart, Schatz	NONE

4. **Adoption of the Agenda April 3, 2019**- Agenda updated to include Item 23 Amount of refreshments \$77.60 and Carol Newman as the Boardmember who purchased them.

Public comment: none

Motion passed.

LBNC ITEM 4 Adoption of the Agenda April 3, 2019 Moved: Doxsee Second: Pennomon		
Yes –14	No-00	Absent -03
Bautista, Brown, Doxsee, Fujitaki, Gravani, Joseph, Kurland, McKay, Nelson, Newman, Pennomon, Pruett, Riley, Stein	NONE	Gutierrez, Hart, Schatz

5. **Approval of Minutes for October 3, 2018**- Approve with corrections to Item # 11 Mr. Brown change CERT to CPR and Mr. Stein Correct Zip Code to 91409.

Public comment: none

Motion passed.

LBNC ITEM 5 Approval of Minutes as Amended for October 3, 2018 Moved: Newman Second: Brown		
Yes –14	No-00	Absent -03
Bautista, Brown, Doxsee, Fujitaki, Gravani, Joseph, Kurland, McKay, Nelson, Newman, Pennomon, Pruett, Riley, Stein	NONE	Gutierrez, Hart, Schatz

6. **Approval of Minutes with correction to the zip code for SPECIAL MEETING November 1, 2018**

Public comment: none

Motion passed.

LBNC ITEM 6 Motion to Approve Minutes for Special Meeting November 1, 2018. Moved: Newman Second: Brown		
Yes –14	No-00	Absent -03
Bautista, Brown, Doxsee, Fujitaki, Gravani, Joseph, Kurland, McKay, Nelson, Newman, Pennomon, Pruett, Riley, Stein	NONE	Gutierrez, Hart, Schatz

7. **Approval of Minutes for December 5, 2018**- Removed from agenda until next month.

8. **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>- Absent

- b. Councilmember Nury Martinez’s Office (CD 6) 818-778-4999, Field Deputy, Lauren.Padick@lacity.org On Saturday, April 6, 2019 9:00AM to 12:00PM there will be a Basin Clean Up at the Sepulveda Basin. Meet at the dirt parking lot. Earth Day LA will be at Woodley Park, Saturday April 27, 2019 from 10:00AM to 2:00PM. There will be an art contest also.

James Hart arrived at 7:09PM.

Karen Schatz arrived back at 7:10PM, having been present earlier but having left briefly to bring pizza.

A Staff member for School Board Member Gonez said that Ms. Gonez would be arriving late and would like a chance to speak.

- c. Los Angeles Department of Sanitation, Daniel Tamm wants to invite you to Earth Day on April 27, 2019. The event will be at Woodley Park. Food and Entertainment are free. LA San is dedicated to protecting health and the environment.

Check out the website www.lacitysan.org. Mayor Garcetti has set a goal of 100 percent recycled water by 2035. There will be some fliers in the back. There will be some paid internships for the summer at the Department. The information is on the website.

- d. Mayor Garcetti's Valley Office, East Valley Area Representative, - Absent
- e. 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
- f. LAUSD Scott Schmerelson's Office (District 3) 818-654-3785 Dir of Parent & Community Engagement Jeannie.Kamm@lausd.net - Robert Jackson was present for the first time and said he was glad to be here.
- g. LAUSD Director of Communication & Community Affairs Ambrosia.Solis@lausd.net - Absent

Item H was moved to later in the meeting by Ms. Gravani.

- h. LAUSD Kelly Gonez office (District 6) 818-389-9216 - Dir of Community Engagement & Advocacy Cara.Onofre@lausd.net – tabled
- i. LAUSD Northwest District Administrator Parent/Community Engagement-Gonsalo Garay ggg9445@lausd.net 818-654-360 - Absent
- j. Los Angeles County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl's Office (District 3) 213-974-3333 Dist. Dir. Benita Trujillo btrujillo@bos.lacounty.gov –Absent
- k. California Assemblymember Adrin Nazarian's office (District 46) 818-376-4246 Emma.Taylor@asm.ca.gov
On April 11, 2019 we will be doing an event with the IATSE Entertainment Union working with departments such as: Make-up, Lighting, Sound Production, Video Engineers and Grips. They will be giving information to people as to how they can break into their line of work. They had over 300 people attend last year. It will be held at LA Valley College from 7:00PM to 8:30PM. The Assembly Office will be working with Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council for the 6th Annual Chess Tournament for Elementary Schools. It will be on April 27, 2019 in Lake Balboa. They are putting teams together.
- l. California State Senator Robert Hertzberg's Office (District 18) - 818-901-5588 Samatha.Stafford@sen.ca.gov – Absent
- m. California State Senator Henry Stern's Office (District 27) 818-876-3352 Kevin.Taylor@sen.ca.gov – Absent
- n. US Representative Tony Cardenas (District 29) 818-782-7407 Nigel.Sanchez@mail.house.gov – Absent
- o. US Representative Brad Sherman (District 30) 818-501-9200 Mary.Chakerian@mail.house.gov –Absent
- p. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) 818-374-9896 Betty Wong Oyama betty.wong@lacity.org –The annual Empower LA Awards were held on Thursday, March 28, 2019 at City Hall. Ms. Wong talked about the winners. Neighborhood Councils are now able to roll over their funds. There will be a Funding Training on April 9, 2019 from 6:00 to 9:00PM at City Hall East and one on April 23, 2019 from 1-4PM, Main Building City Hall on the 20th floor. The Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council Election will be on Sunday, May 19, 2019. We need everyone to vote. There are Twenty-Two candidates. The Election will be from 10:00AM to 4:00PM. On April 20, 2019, there will be a Homeless Resource Fair 9:00AM-1:00PM at Grand Park, Downtown L.A. For new Boardmembers elected there will be necessary trainings: Ethics, Code of Conduct, and Funding. Ethics needs to be renewed every two years. Linda Gravani explained that the Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council Bylaws 8/1/18 Governing Board, Section 1

G. states that there will be two (2) At-Large Appointed Stakeholder Representatives (ALASR) and the Board shall appoint the (2) ALASRs with two-thirds (2/3) majority vote. The ALASRs shall be appointed within the first 2 meetings of the seats being vacant. Seats will be vacant as of June 5, 2019 meeting. The Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council does not meet in July so the Appointments can be made in August. LBNC does NOT meet in July. If you want to be appointed please attend the retreat on Saturday, June 1, 2019. Betty Wong will be selecting the candidate names for each position for the video order. Each candidate will be filmed and will have 2 minutes to introduce themselves. The videos will be uploaded to the Neighborhood Council Website. All of the Candidates were invited to attend. The Candidates will be presented in the following order: Youth, Residential, Business, Organizational, At-Large Elected, and the Senior Seat.

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

9. **Betty Wong Oyama to take over meeting, show DONE video regarding candidates, board to take seats in audience, Up to 2 minutes each candidate.** The candidate order was chosen by a random drawing to make it fair.

Byron Gutierrez arrived at 7:28 PM.

Ms. Gravani moved the meeting back to Agenda Item 8h for Kelly Gonez to speak.

- 8h. Ms. Gonez introduced herself and spoke about some of the local schools and the programs they offer. Ms. Gonez supports the funding measure EE, saying that schools are underfunded. It will allow us to lower class sizes, retain and recruit high quality teachers. Our schools deserve more resources. Measure EE will levy a .16 cent per square foot tax on all properties within the LAUSD School District. The Election will be on June 4th. She introduced Principal Dr. Barrett from Stagg Street Elementary to talk about the local funding measure which will help her school. Principal Dr. Barrett stated the school has 500 students. Each year we have to look at what we can provide for our students. We don't have the funding of other schools but we want to provide the same benefits.

Ms. Gravani moved the meeting back to Agenda Item 9.

9. A video was shown by Ms. Wong-Oyama about the Neighborhood Councils. A drawing was done for Candidate order.

Carol Newman- #1 Business
Danica Middleton- #1 Residential
Janice E. Berridge- #2 Residential
Linda Schwering- #1 At Large
Allen Nelson-#2 Business
Emma Scott-#1 Youth
Mary Pennomon-#1 Senior
Tom Riley- #1 Organizational
Jim Hart- #3 Residential
Anthony Rainone -#4 Residential
Linda Pruett -#2 Organizational
Kristen Fujitaki - #3 Organizational
Linda Gravani- #3 Business
Bill Greenberg- #2 At Large
James Brown-#5 Residential
Rene Arevalo Jr.
James Stein- #4 Business
Carla Bautista- #6 Residential
Cindy Kurland- #4 Organizational
Ruth Doxsee -#7 Residential
Jonathan Hall-#2 Youth
Sandy Joseph- #8 Residential

The Videotape will be in the following order:

1. Youth Seat

Emma Scott- is in tenth grade and her favorite subject is Chemistry. Ms. Scott is involved with Stage Crew. She enjoys the outdoors and going to the dog park with her dog. Ms. Scott is a member of Girl Scout Troop 1636, participated in Earth Day and has helped pick fruit for Food Forward.

Jonathan Hall- Absent

2. Residential Seats

Danica Middleton- introduced herself and said she moved into the neighborhood in 2016 to be near friends. Ms. Middleton started the Holiday Parade in 2017 and she has plans to create a larger parade in partnership with Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council.

Janice E. Berridge- moved to Lake Balboa in 2012 to be near her friends. Ms. Berridge wanted to put her kids in LAUSD Schools but knew that she would have to be an active participant and be an active member. She was involved in the PTA for eight years.

James Hart- is on the Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council and serves as Treasurer. Mr. Hart believes he should do what he can to make the community better. He ran again because nobody wants to be the Treasurer.

James Brown- is a longtime Lake Balboa resident and is running for re-election to the Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council. Over the past 5 years he has been fortunate to help make a difference in the community. Mr. Brown is the Chair of the Health and Public Safety Committee. The Committee has helped pass legislation which mandates CPR training in all in High Schools. The Committee has helped to train 2500 individuals in CPR. Mr. Brown provided assistance and aid to West Valley LAPD. He helped to start The Police Community Patrols helping to reduce crime. Mr. Brown has also helped neighbors set up Neighborhood Watches.

Carla Bautista- gave her speech in Spanish before repeating it in English. She lives and works in Lake Balboa and is currently a member of the Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council. Ms. Bautista believes she is a great asset to the board and shows her support for the community. She is a Spanish Speaking candidate, the Hispanic and Latino Communities of Lake Balboa deserve to have representation. Many of our residents speak Spanish and they need to be informed.

Ruth Doxsee- has been on the Board since 2010/2011. Ms. Doxsee has been holding Neighborhood Watch Meetings in the community for 15 years. I didn't really like living in L.A. until I moved to the valley. Now I love L.A. I like my community and everyone on the board is like family.

Sandy Joseph-is running as a Residential Representative. I have lived here for 10 years. When I first moved into the area I found a flyer for the Neighborhood Council. They had different committees. I Love Emergency Preparedness and went to a meeting and was hooked. I raised my hand, once you do that you keep raising your hand. I am running for re-election and it is my goal to get everyone prepared.

3. Business Seats

Carol Newman- is for Business Stakeholder Representative. I have been on the Board for several years. First I was appointed, then I was elected, I have lived in Lake Balboa for 10 years. I have also been the Secretary for Lake Balboa for several years. I want to be re-elected because I want to help our city get better. In addition to being the Secretary for Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council, I am also a member of the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates (NCBA) a group elected by the Neighborhood Councils. There are 99 Neighborhood Councils, with 1800 Board Members. From all of those people, thirty-six are elected city-wide to be in the Budget Advocates. I am one of those people. We advocate on City Policy, we tell the City what city services the stakeholders want. We meet with the Mayor a couple of times a year. We write reports, lots of reports. Every year the Budget Advocates produce a white paper. I edit the book and I can only continue to do it as long as I am affiliated with the Neighborhood Council.

Allen Nelson-for most of the time I have been on the Council I have been the Communications Officer which means I go to the Post Office once a week, to see if there is any mail in the box. I also respond to all emails and phone calls that come through our website. If I do not have the correct information I pass it on to another Board Member. I am one of the Associates on our Facebook page. 4 years ago I was made Chairman of the Outreach Committee. Currently we sponsor Spring Egg Hunt, Senior Symposium, The Valley Disaster Fair, Victory for Victims, The LGBT Conference, Art Programs for

our Students (a Mural Program between Haynes and Victory). The students were given Community Service Credits and Certificates from Councilwoman Nury Martinez and our State Assembly Members office. I would like to be re-elected.

Linda Gravani-has been on our Neighborhood Council since February 2011and the President for the last five years. I am also on the Executive Committee for the Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils where the 34 Valley Neighborhood Councils meet monthly to discuss their common issues. I have learned during the last eight years that we are programed to accept less. Every day parents crisscross the valley bringing their kids to school, driving past the thirteen schools within our boundaries, why? Why does our Police Department need volunteers? Why aren't our streets swept? Why isn't there enough housing in multi-family units? Why don't we have Park Rangers? You would think with all of these cuts L.A.'s Budget would be balanced. It is not, it is out of control and we are not enjoying the quality of life we once did. What are they doing at LAUSD and City Hall? My goal for the community is to bring back the services we learned to live without and watch how the city spends our tax dollars. We will of course need your help by writing emails letters and making phone calls. You will be informed on which issues to target and why, so who am I? I was a single parent who raised three daughters in Lake Balboa. My daughters attended our local schools. We enjoyed riding bikes around the parks, watched the model airplanes in the basin and discovered nature in the wildlife areas. I run a home based business, I hold a California Real Estate License, and I am a California Notary Public. I have a huge desire to fix what is broken in our community. I would love to put my plan into action and I am asking for your vote.

James Stein- has always lived in Lake Balboa, has raised his children here. Serves as chair of the Recreation and Parks Committee, is the card holder for LBNC, member of the Land Use, Outreach, Neighborhood Watch committees and serves on LAPD's Community Police Advisory Board. His goal is to make sure all LBNC funds and services are distributed to the stakeholders with successful outreach programs, park improvements. Jim has been making slow but effective progress on a community center in Lake Balboa and wants to continue these efforts.

Tom Riley - 45 year resident living in the same home. Lake Balboa has had four different community names and he's lived here through all of them. He got involved about six years ago because of a huge project that the Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council fought. He became the Chair of the Land Use Committee. Lake Balboa's Land Use Committee and city services goals are to make sure the community receives the right assets and to stop detriments. Lake Balboa is a community of villages and each area has its own wants, needs and character. Mr. Riley works to enhance those by preventing six story apartment buildings from being built and bringing in the Valley Relics Museum.

Linda Pruett- Is a founding member of the LBNC and 46 year resident in the same house. Linda serves on several committees and has a passion for emergency preparedness. Lake Balboa is the best prepared community. We hold meetings with great classes and presentations on Emergency Preparedness on the 2nd Saturday at the Van Nuys Flyaway, 9 a.m. We purchased and stocked bins with search and rescue and triage equipment for first responders. We hold CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) classes for which the LAFD provides 17-1/2 hours of free training. We will come to you to map your neighborhood and teach you and your closest neighbors before, during and after what to do in case of a disaster. We have our own Lake Balboa Ham Radio nets so we have communications in the event of disaster. We need your support, come out and help us.

Kristen Fujitaki- is running for the Organizational Stakeholder Representative. She got involved by accident. She's a full time volunteer with her children's PTA and School site council. Ms. Fujitaki is currently on the Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council Outreach and Ad Hoc Newsletter Committees. She is a 10 year resident with 5 and 8 year old children. She is busy with her family being a part of the community and feels fortunate to have this opportunity. She wants to continue on the LBNC and learn more ways to help the community.

Cindy Kurland- Currently serving as the Homelessness Liaison and working to get a Neighborhood Purposes Grant for The Clean Streets, Clean Starts Program that will hire homeless to clean our streets. Ms. Kurland is also interested in the Sepulveda Basin Wildlife areas and to protect them by trying to get a full time Park Ranger. Ms. Kurland is involved with the Van Nuys Airport and regularly updates the community on flight path and hours. There is pressure from Encino and Sherman Oaks to set departure paths that would go over the Lake Balboa community.

Linda Schwering- is running for the At-large elected seat -- Born and raised in the valley. She owned with her husband the local camera shop. In 2007 came to know the NC from a flyer for the emergency preparedness committee. Served as Treasurer for 6 years and proud to be a part of tree plantings, mural projects and helping to get the sign. Linda is a two year cancer survivor and has the drive to continue to volunteer. Ms. Schwering is currently a member of the Emergency Preparedness and CPAB. Ms. Schwering promises to work hard for neighborhood in the areas of beautification, disaster preparedness. Lake Balboa has a voice that goes all the way to City Hall.

Bill Greenberg- Is seeking to be new member of the board. Has lived 42 years here and graduated from Birmingham High School. He wants to bring back community so everyone knows their neighbor and that everyone uses the businesses in our community and having block parties. He is a manager for a youth group and takes credit for having interpersonal skills and great customer service. He got involved because he's tired of complaining and saying what should be done. He wants to make positive impact to help and grow the neighborhood.

Mary Pennomon- 24 year resident and served 5 years on the board after having been appointed. Has CERT 1 & 2 training, serves on the outreach and land use committees and volunteer police patrol. Ms. Pennomon considers herself a "young senior". She encourages everyone to come out to our meetings, there's so much more to do.

Ms. Wong Oyama closed with "This is a great group of candidates. Give everyone a round of applause."
Ms. Gravani asked the Board to take their seats.

10. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** a total of 10 MIN - Comments from Public on Non-Agenda items, Issues, Announcements and Complaints within the jurisdiction of the Lake Balboa NC. Please fill out a speaker card, TIME PERMITTING 1 minute limit per speaker, you may be asked to select a spokesperson. The California State Law known as the Brown Act requires PUBLIC COMMENT to be a NON-DISCUSSION

- a. Ethan Sensor-Food and Water Watch, Mr. Sensor was a part time organizer and Volunteer for three years, and was just hired by the company. He came to speak about energy. The city will be shifting its focus to renewable energy. We're in the middle of a DWP study toward 100% renewable energy. But the DWP is setting it up to fail. We can get there by 2030. Please give us a CIS statement.
- b. Sharon Brewer is a member of the Senior Symposium Planning Committee. The event is on May 18th the day before elections. \$500.00 encumbered to pay for the event. Ms. Brewer would like to have them do the funding request. Everyone should come because you do not need to be a Senior Citizen. There will be Health Screenings. The event will be at Victory Blvd. and Etiwanda from 10:00AM to 2:00PM

Break 8:25PM

Meeting was called back to order at 8:27 PM

11. **ANNOUNCEMENTS and REPORTS: Committee Chairs and Board Members**

- a. **President Update:** Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council Won a "Best of Award" at the Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils Mixer. Thank you to James Brown for the cork board at Ralphs now we can post our agendas, and Allen Nelson for waiting endless hours at the Post Office to get the P.O. Box issues resolved.
- b. **Ad Hoc Education-Gutierrez:** Has been running the committee for the past two years. He is a twenty-seven year veteran of the Silicon Valley. It is very important to bring STEM and Robotics to the local schools. He has been volunteering at local Career Days and will continue to volunteer even though he is not running for re-election.
- c. **Emergency Preparedness -Pruett:** Emergency Preparedness meetings are held on the second Saturday of the month at the Van Nuys Fly Away. The meeting starts at 9:00AM. 2nd floor Community Room. Parking out front closest to the street. This month we will be showing our Get Home Bags which we discussed last month. We said we would have a prize for the best Get Home Bag. It will be a \$25.00 Gift Certificate to SOS Survival Products.
- d. **Health & Public Safety-Brown:** The meetings are held at the Van Nuys Fly Away- 7610 Woodley Ave. Free parking is located in front of the Fly Away Building. To date there have been 38 Active Shooter Events in our country, and they're increasing. The Committee hosted an Active Shooter Training Event on March 16th which was well attended. At the Monthly CPAB Meeting Police Chief Michel Moore was a speaker. There will be a CPAB Meeting on Wednesday April 10, 2019 at West Valley L.A.P.D. There are fliers in the back.
- 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 Pruet, and Mary Pennomon. It is time to update The Community Plan. It is done every 25 to 30 years. We get to give input into the plan. It is very important that you give your input. There is a meeting coming up on April 16, 2019 for the Community. It will be at the end of the environmental study they are doing. The meeting will be held at: One Generation 18250 Victory Blvd. at 6:00PM. We will have to live with what comes out of these meetings.

- f. **Neighborhood Watch** –Gary no report
- g. **Newsletter - Fujitaki** – The Education Newsletter is waiting for articles from 3 more schools. We are putting together a Community Newsletter if you have any Ideas or have anything written please send it by April 12th.
- h. **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. At the last Outreach Meeting we discussed getting approval for the art projects we have planned prior to the Olympics. We will start with murals on the utility boxes and then work our way up to the tunnel mural and sculpture.

Ms. McKay left the Meeting at 8:45PM

- i. **Ad Hoc Recreation & Park-Stein:** Meetings TBA, Chair: jimstein@lakebalboanc.org – No report
- j. **Local Volunteer Neighborhood Oversight Committee (LVNOC)-Prop K- Doxsee/Stein/Gravani:** no meeting/no report
- k. **Sepulveda Basin Wildlife Areas Steering Committee (SBWASC) - Sepulveda Basin Wildlife Areas Steering Committee-Ruth Doxsee/ Cindy Kurland:** There was a meeting on March 26, 2019. C.L.A.W. or Citizens for LA Wildlife wanted our support for AB1788 to stop Rodenticide for wildlife use in the entire State. The Chatsworth Nature Preserve Open House is once a year. It will be on April 6, 2019 from 10:00AM to 3:00PM, The entrance is on Valley Circle Blvd. West of Plummer. There will be a Haskell Creek Cleanup on April 13, 2019 8:30AM to 1:00PM and a community learning event with hikes to the dam 10:30AM to 1:00PM. There is a three Day Concert for Labor Day Weekend at Woodley Park (2). It is planned for Twenty-Five Thousand people. The comment period is still open Until April 8, 2019. Ms. Bates spoke at the last meeting, she believes the Homeless count is 300 in the Wildlife Area.
- l. **Youth Affairs-McKay:** Ms. Gravani read a note from Ms. Mc Kay. The Daniel Pearl Resource Fair will take place on Friday, May 31 10:15AM to 1:08PM Ms. McKay met with Student Government at Daniel Pearl and they came up with a list of entities they would like to invite. She has already begun to extend some of the invitations. Those that Student Government felt should be invited are: Planned Parenthood, LAPL, Local Government Representatives, LAFD, the LGBT Center of LA, CSUN Health Center, A representative from Balboa Rec. Center. Ms. McKay is also looking for Journalism, Tech, and Business Programs that could be part of the event. Please email me at Maddie.pbm@gmail.com if anyone has suggestions.
- m. **Ad Hoc Election Committee –Schatz:** Chair: Karen@lakebalboanc.org Committee: Cindy Kurland and Mary Pennomon. Ms. Schatz: We have a great crowd of candidates. Jim Stein did all the work. The election will be May 19 at the Gault St. School. A great election day is planned with food, shredding, etc.. Talk to your neighbors and get people out. Everyone needs to bring 10 people with them.
- n. **Liaisons:** no report
- o. **Homeless-Kurland/Schatz:** www.lamayor.org/ABridgeHome www.epath.org -Ms. Kurland was interested in putting a tour together of the homeless encampments in Lake Balboa Park and was hoping to get the Councilmember to join her so they can see the extent of the problem. She also attended the Van Nuys Airport Citizens Advisory Board this week. On March 1st Los Angeles City Council sent a letter to the FAA to study the Southern Flight Path with the ultimate goal of re-shifting the flight path back to what they were three years ago when southern departures turned over Lake Balboa, which meant we had more noise and pollution. Encino, Sherman Oaks, and Studio City have worked very hard to collectively complain to Van Nuys Airport. She spoke up on behalf of the Stakeholders of Lake Balboa; unfortunately she was the only one there. She hopes that at the next meeting people from Lake Balboa will show up. There is also talk of a night flying curfew on all flights out of Van Nuys Airport. It will be voted on and discussed at the next Airport Advisory Meeting.
- p. **Resilient Los Angeles-Pruett:** www.lamayor.org/resilience - No report
- q. **LAPD Volunteer Police- Pennomon** –No report

- r. **Boardmember Comments-** Mr. Hart announced a new procedure for reimbursements. You have to send an email to reimburse@lakebalboanc.org of all of your receipts to all of the parties who need to see it so it can be added to the agenda. If you have any questions let him know.

Ms. Gravani read the following: 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.

12. **Budget Advocate-Updates:** (<http://ncbala.com/>) Newman (Budget Advocate Carol Newman, Budget Rep Linda Gravani) Ms. Newman gave the Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council a hard copy of the 2019 White Paper. It consists of meetings and reports of various City Departments. There was a five page introductory all put together in this booklet. You all received electronic copies. Ms. Newman handed the Official Copy to the Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council President Linda Gravani. Ms. Newman thanked Lake Balboa for giving \$1500.00 to the Budget Advocates this year. The Budget Advocates survive on money given by the Neighborhood Councils. The city only gives them \$10,000.00 a year. We are going to be setting up Budget Day. We have city officials come speak to us and then break into regional sessions to consider issues that are common across the city.

13. **Discussion and possible action regarding Budget Advocates White Paper 2019 - Newman 5Min Ms. Newman Moved that the Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council issue a Community Impact Statement to support the White Paper. (CF-19-0600)**

Public comment: none

Motion passed.

LBNC ITEM 13 - Motion to Submit a CIS to support the White Paper Moved: Newman Second: Doxsee		
Yes-16	No- 00	Absent-01
Bautista, Brown, Doxsee, Fujitaki, Gravani, Gutierrez, Hart, Joseph, Kurland, Nelson, Newman, Pennomon, Pruet, Riley, Schatz, Stein	NONE	McKay

14. **Discussion and possible action regarding CF 17-1311 2017 FUSE Corps Fellow Report / Street Related Infrastructure - Gravani 5 min** The Board received copies of the Report Summary. This addresses Silo decision making. The city departments need to talk to each other. Ms. Gravani moves that the Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council supports the recommendation in the 2017 Fuse Report.

Public comment: none

Motion passed.

LBNC ITEM 14 – Motion for Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council to support the recommendations in the Fuse Fellow Report. Moved: Gravani Second: Newman		
Yes-16	No- 00	Absent-01
Bautista, Brown, Doxsee, Fujitaki, Gravani, Gutierrez, Hart, Joseph, Kurland, Nelson, Newman, Pennomon, Pruet, Riley, Schatz, Stein	NONE	McKay

15. **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 At the retreat we will get to know each other, we will learn about the Brown Act and what the Treasurer can and can’t do. It is semi-mandatory. We are hoping it doesn’t conflict with a Department Training.

16. **Land Use: Discussion and possible action to approve project at 6701-6707 Valjean Warehouse - approved by committee - Riley 5 min** Mr. Riley presented the project with drawings. It will be a museum which may or may not be open to the public. The Land Use Committee recommends this project.

Public comment: none

Motion passed.

LBNC ITEM 16- Motion to approve the project at 6701-6707 Valjean. Moved: Riley Second: Schatz		
Yes-16	No- 00	Absent-01
Bautista, Brown, Doxsee, Fujitaki, Gravani, Gutierrez, Hart, Joseph, Kurland, Nelson, Newman, Pennomon, Pruet, Riley, Schatz, Stein	NONE	McKay

17. **Land Use: Discussion and possible action to approve project at 16140 Saticoy St Warehouse/Office building - approved by committee - Riley 5 min** This property is a half block west of Woodley. There are two single family homes in a commercial area. The new owner would like to build a warehouse and office building. The project was presented by Mr. Riley with drawings. The Land Use Committee supports this project.

Public comment: none

Motion passed.

LBNC ITEM 17- Motion to approve the project at 16140 Saticoy Street. Moved: Riley Second: Schatz		
Yes-16	No- 00	Absent-01
Bautista, Brown, Doxsee, Fujitaki, Gravani, Gutierrez, Hart, Joseph, Kurland, Nelson, Newman, Pennomon, Pruet, Riley, Schatz, Stein	NONE	McKay

18. **Land Use: Discussion and possible action to approve letter of support for Jordan Sisson** - Riley 5 min Mr. Sisson has been on Land Use Committee for last 6 years. He is a Real Estate attorney. He has been of great help to the Committee and because of his knowledge he is a strong asset to the committee and to the community of Lake Balboa. Mr. Sisson spoke to the board and stakeholders saying that it has been a pleasure serving the community and serving under Mr. Riley's leadership. His plan is to work for an Environmental Quality Land Use Firm. The letter of recommendation, if approved, will be sent to the California Bar Association.

Public comment: none

Motion passed.

LBNC ITEM 18 – Motion to Approve letter of Support to the California State Bar. to Moved: Riley Second: Pruet		
Yes-16	No- 00	Absent-01
Bautista, Brown, Doxsee, Fujitaki, Gravani, Gutierrez, Hart, Joseph, Kurland, Nelson, Newman, Pennomon, Pruet, Riley, Schatz, Stein	NONE	McKay

19. **BUDGET: Discussion and possible action to increase election budget from \$4,000 to \$5,500** - Stein/Hart 5 Min Since there is no online or by mail voting more outreach will need to be done. Mr. Stein asked to increase the budget another \$1,500.00. There will be 3 events, advertising costs, refreshments and Election Day expenses.

Public comment: none

Motion passed.

LBNC ITEM 19- Motion to increase Election Budget from \$4,000 to \$5,500. Moved: Stein Second: Doxsee		
Yes-16	No- 00	Absent-01
Bautista, Brown, Doxsee, Fujitaki, Gravani, Gutierrez, Hart, Joseph, Kurland, Nelson, Newman, Pennomon, Pruet, Riley, Schatz, Stein	NONE	McKay

20. **BUDGET: Discussion and possible action to reallocate funds in LBNC budget** Hart 5min-The Elections Category in the Budget has been moved to Operations which makes this motion unnecessary so there is no need to vote on this. **Item Postponed**

21. **FUNDING: Discussion and possible action regarding City Clerk's current reimbursement policy** - Hart 3min. **Item Postponed**

22. **FUNDING: Discussion and possible action regarding approval for a Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) of \$2,000 to Northridge Hospital Foundation (C.A.T.S.) for Victory For Victims Walk/Run** -Nelson 5 min Approved by Outreach Committee Meeting 2/26/19 This really helps the Victims. This program is very helpful for the Police.

Public comment: One of the women from the Foundation attended the meeting and thanked the Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council.

Motion passed.

LBNC ITEM 22- Motion to approve a Neighborhood Purposes Grant of \$2,000.00 to Northridge Hospital Foundation (C.A.T.S.) Victory for Victims Run/Walk on April 20th Moved: Nelson Second: Brown		
Yes-16	No- 00	Absent-01
Bautista, Brown, Doxsee, Fujitaki, Gravani, Gutierrez, Hart, Joseph, Kurland, Nelson, Newman, Pennomon, Pruet, Riley, Schatz, Stein	NONE	McKay

23. **At the 8/1/18 LBNC meeting the board authorized the expenditure of up to \$100 at the LBNC Board meeting, the vote was 12-0-0-1-0, the motion passed. The City Clerk requires LBNC to vote on the specific expenditure, therefore, LBNC is required to discuss and approve the specific expenditure for tonight's refreshments. I move LBNC approve the reimbursement of \$77.60 paid by board member Carol Newman for refreshments for tonight's meeting.** 2min Gravani

Public comment: none

Motion passed.

LBNC ITEM 23- Motion to Approve Reimbursement for \$77.60 to Carol Newman for Refreshments. Moved: Gravani Second: Hart		
Yes-16	No- 00	Absent-01
Bautista, Brown, Doxsee, Fujitaki, Gravani, Gutierrez, Hart, Joseph, Kurland, Nelson, Newman, Pennomon, Pruet, Riley, Schatz, Stein	NONE	McKay

Consent Calendar - items # 24 - 27 will be voted on, in one motion, please indicate if you wish any item(s) to be removed and discussed individually.

24. **FUNDING: Discussion and possible action to spend up to \$2,300 for advertising, refreshments and Election Day activities for the May 19, 2019 election** - Stein 5 Min

25. **FUNDING: Discussion and possible action to authorize the reimbursement of \$40.56 to James Brown for Health and Public Safety meeting on March 16, 2019**

26. **FUNDING: Discussion and possible action to spend up to \$400 for movie in the park advertising and refreshments** - Stein 3 min

27. **FUNDING: Discussion and possible action regarding approval of GMAIL change from \$5 to \$6 per email address per month (\$17 more each month)** Hart 3 min

Public comment: none

Motion passed.

LBNC ITEMS 24-27 - Motion to Approve Consent Calendar Items Moved: Gravani Second: Newman		
Yes-16	No- 00	Absent-01
Bautista, Brown, Doxsee, Fujitaki, Gravani, Gutierrez, Hart, Joseph, Kurland, Nelson, Newman, Pennomon, Pruett, Riley, Schatz, Stein	NONE	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 Moved: Gravani Second: Joseph		Adjournment Time 9:15 PM
Yes – 16	No -00	Absent-01
Bautista, Brown, Doxsee, Fujitaki, Gravani, Gutierrez, Hart, Joseph, Kurland, Nelson, Newman, Pennomon, Pruett, Riley, Schatz, Stein	NONE	McKay

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