

Studio City Neighborhood Council

April 20, 2005 — Meeting Minutes

Called to Order: 7:08 pm, CBS Studio Center, Annex 1, Meeting Room

Meeting Chair: Alan Dymond

Recording Secretary: Paul Waters & Alan Levy

Board Members Present: Mark Batterman, Julian Bull, David Burg, Jessica Carron, Wendy Dio, Art Ginsburg, Joe Goodman, Alvin Gross, Michael Klausman, Rafi Kuyumjian, Alan Levy, Allen Ravert, Lynda Wadler, Polly Ward, Paul Waters

Board Members Excused: Vahe Tawilian

Board Members Absent: None

Election of Officers

The Board agrees that contested offices would be elected by secret ballot, with the winner selected by a plurality of the votes. The issue of whether a secret ballot for an official act is allowable under the Brown Act was raised. The consensus of the Board being that it is allowed.

President: (by show of hands)

Rafi Kuyumjian – 15

Vice President: (by secret ballot, counted by several stakeholders, and announced by Arlene Samek)

Mark Batterman – 6

Joe Goodman – 8

Lynda Wadler – 1

Secretary: (by secret ballot, counted by several stakeholders, and announced by Arlene Samek)

Alan Levy – 10

Paul Waters – 5

Treasurer:

Michael Klausman – 15 (by show of hands)

Corresponding Secretary:

Jessica Carron (appointed)

Meeting Chair: Rafi Kuyumjian

At this point in the meeting, Kuyumjian assumed the role of Meeting Chair.

New President's Remarks

Thanked past president. Wants everyone to work together for a productive year and remarked the best is ahead.

Testimony of Stakeholders Regarding Non-Agenda Items

Arlene Samek, for the last two years she's represented SCNC at the Valley Alliance of NC, recommends that this continues. She is willing to continue in this capacity if it is the pleasure of the Board.

Lance Mancuso: Wants to know about the \$100,000 allocated for potholes.

Land Use Committee: Report presented Alan Dymond

Motion 2005.04.20-1: Motion from Committee

The Planning Department is requested to notify the president of the SCNC of any and all applications received by the Planning Department within five business days of receipt for Studio City boundaries of Council District 2, 4, 5.

Call the Question of Motion 2005.04.20-1: Ward; S: Goodman

Motion Passes: 13-1-1

Motion 2005.04.20-1

Motion Passes: 13-0-1

Recusal: Burg

Motion 2005.04.20-2: Motion from Committee

The SCNC Board requests Council District 2 to obtain a copy of all contracts entered into by the City of Los Angeles and Viacom-JCDevaux with respect to the City of Los Angeles Coordinated Street Furniture Program to the extent such contracts impact the jurisdiction of SCNC within five business days.

Chris DiMatteo: Wants to know if the Studio City is committed to the public amenity kiosks.

Friendly Amendment to Motion 2005.04.20-2: Bull

NOTE: amended text to motion is listed in italics, deleted text listed in strikeout.

The SCNC Board requests Council District 2 to *provide to the SCNC President within five business days* ~~obtain~~ a copy of all contracts entered into by the City of Los Angeles and Viacom-JCDevaux with respect to the City of Los Angeles Coordinated Street Furniture Program to the extent such contracts impact the jurisdiction of SCNC ~~within five business days~~.

Friendly amendment accepted by committee (originator of the motion)

Motion 2005.04.20-2

Motion Passed: 14-0-0

Recusal: Klausman

Motion 2005.04.20-3: Ginsburg; S: Burg
Accept the March 16, 2005 minutes as amended.
Motion Passed: 15-0-0

Election Committee: Report by, Chris DiMatteo and Mildred Higgins
Thanked the committee members, and spoke about the extraordinary effort put out by everyone - -- committee members and others. Although the election went extremely well, the committee suggested a number of changes to improve future elections. The most significant of which is that the committee recommends that they continue to exist --- working in cooperation with the Outreach Committee (although some members are not in agreement with this).

Motion 2005.04.20-3: Ward; S: Burg
Create a standing Election Committee.

Motion to Postpone Motion 2005.04.20-3: Ginsburg; S: Ward
Motion Passed: 11-4-0

Motion 2005.04.20-4: Burg; S: Klausman
Accept the Election Committee's report, except for the issue with respect to continuation of the Election Committee.
Motion Passed: 15-0-0

Election Committee, Appreciation
The Board expressed its appreciation for the exceptional job of the Election Committee.

Comments from Board Members
Alvin Gross: At the most recent Outreach Committee meeting, the idea of a night time forum for community leaders was discussed. Alvin asked if there was interest from the Board in pursuing this concept. A number of Board members provided input with respect this issue. The committee will bring a proposal to a future Board meeting.

Frequency of Board Meetings

Motion 2005.04.20-5: Klausman; S: Wadler
The SCNC Board will meet monthly on the third Wednesday of each month from 7:00pm to 10:00pm.
Motion Passed: 15-0-0

Motion 2005.04.20-6: Ginsburg; S: Ward
Adjourn the meeting at 9:47 pm
Motion Passed: 15-0-0