

**Minutes of the General Board Meeting of the
GRANADA HILLS SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (GHSNC)
Thursday, December 09, 2010**

The Pavilion, 11128 Balboa Blvd., Granada Hills, CA 91344

I. Call to order

President Dave Beauvais called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.
Board Member Michael Phillips lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Roll Call

Roll Call was taken by Secretary Sean Rivas. Board Members present:

Dave Beauvais, President	Brad Smith, Vice-President
Sean Rivas, Secretary	Jerry Askew, Business
David Bereznick, Member-at-Large	Bonnie M. Bursk, Com. Prop. Owners
Julie A. Carson, Member-at-Large	Alexia Cirino, Faith-Based
Arthur A. Daush, Seniors	Jett M. Dunlap, Member-at-Large
Joel M. Lyle, Member-at-Large	Michael Phillips, Member-at-Large
Robert Stevens, Member-at-Large	

Board Members absent: Brandon Schindelheim, Treasurer (excused), Tiwinkle Khurana, Students (excused), Sally Kolstad, Education (excused), Ross Turmell, Factual Basis (excused), Eric Mansker, Homeowners (excused).

13 of the 18 Board Members were present at the beginning of the Meeting, which is a quorum, so the Board could make Motions and take votes. Also attending were approximately 30 stakeholders and guests, including Parliamentarian Mike Kabo.

III. Approval of the Minutes

Motion to Table the November 11, 2010 to the January Meeting. Motion by Mr. Rivas, 2nd by Ms. Cirino.

MOTION PASSED by a Unanimous Voice Vote.

IV. Public Comment

Victoria Cross- LADWP Liaison to Council District 12. Introduced herself and gave information about \$45,000 in energy grants and asked us to refer this program to any Senior Groups within our council boundaries.

Brad Smith – Candidate for City Council – Qualified for March Ballot and invited everyone to attend his Holiday Party on December 19th at the Smith's Residence.

Bonnie Bursk: Reminded Stakeholders and Board Members that Nominations are still open for the Gil Benjamin Citizen of the Year Award. Read an email from a stakeholder about the GH Holiday Parade.

Michael Kabo – Thanked the GHSNC for our participation in the Holiday Parade and our work on lighting the tree at Veteran’s Triangle.

V. Community Speakers

Megan Cottier – CD12 Field Deputy – Filling in for Seme Park. She began her remarks by echoing Mike Kabo’s Remarks. Gave the council information about the Animal Care Ordinance which CM Smith waived out of Committee. Informed the community about what the city has planned for the site of the old FS87 which will become a safe drop off location for paint and electronics. Toy Drive for PALS runs until December 15th.

SLO Dario Del Core – LAPD – Decrease in Crime at the end of 2010 with an increase in Property Crime. As we close Homicides down 70%, Assaults down 30%, Rapes & Robbery down 30%, Theft down 2%, Grand Theft Autos down 30%, Stolen Vehicles up 8%. Increase in mail theft and Thanked the GHSNC for all there help this year.

Joseph Vanderway – GHCHS Robotics Team – Introduced some of the students on the current robotics team, and had a budget report on what they used our last donation of \$3,500. Current Team dynamics are 32 Students, 5 Professional Engineers and has hosted the first Robotics Open House. Motion to Refer to Education Committee. Motion by Mr. Rivas, 2nd by Ms. Cirino. Motion PASSED by unanimous vote.

VI. Officer Reports

President Beauvais: Gave an Update on condition of Board Member Eric Mankser.

Secretary Rivas: Reminder to all stakeholders to fill out speaker cards if you wish to speak on any agenda items. If stakeholders are not already on our email list they could sign up at the back table as well.

VII. Board Issues & Updates

Board Confirmation of the appointment of Deron Lopez as the Director for Youth Activities. Mr. Beauvais gave some remarks to how he got to meet Mr. Lopez and why he felt he would be an asset to the board. Mr. Lopez gave a brief biography about himself, and Mr. Rivas added his remarks about the benefits of having known Mr. Lopez for many years as a coach at the Recreation Center and as a fellow Park

Advisory Board Member. Mr. Rivas urged a Yes Vote. Confirmation of Mr. Lopez PASSED by Unanimous Voice Vote.

Board Confirmation of the appointment of Gina Greschner as the Director for Renters. Mr. Beauvais gave some remarks to how he got to meet Ms. Greschner and why he felt she would be an asset to the board. Ms. Greschner expressed her feeling about joining the board. Confirmation of Ms. Greschner PASSED by Unanimous Voice Vote.

Board Confirmation of removal of Director Ernest Boctor as a Member-at-Large for Failure to attend meeting persistent to the bylaws. Motion by Mr. Beauvais, 2nd by Mr. Rivas. Motion Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote.

Update on LAUSD plan to move a CDS to the Rinaldi Adult School Campus. Ms. Carson reported that there is an upcoming Community Meeting and they are continuing to look at the Devonshire Elementary School Site with possible relocation to a different part of the campus.

Mr. Smith Gave an update on Mayor Budget Reps. Sub-Committees have been set up (Outreach, Pensions, Benefits & Pay, Privatizing) an email has been set up for people to find out up to date information nba@yahoo.com.

Report from Mike Kabo regarding the city-wide By-Laws Resource Team. Mr. Kabo informed the council that all 93 neighborhood councils must review their bylaws to a standard set of bylaws. His role is advisory and the last day for all councils to comply with the change is April 5, 2011.

Review and approval of US Bank purchasing card transactions and bank statements. Motion to Approve Updated Budget submitted by Treasurer. Motion by Ms. Cirino 2nd by Mr. Rivas. Motion PASSED with 12 in Favor and 3 Absention.

Discussion and possible Board action to take a position on city ordinance which would increase the allowable number of pets per household in the City of Los Angeles (file number 10-0982). Motion to approve the ordinance. Motion by Ms. Bursk, 2nd by Mr. Lopez. Motion PASSED with 10 in favor and 3 opposed.

Discussion and possible board action endorsing Sierra Club's LA Beyond Coal Campaign and encourage the LA City Council to support a plan to eliminate coal from the electricity supply to Los Angeles. Motion by Ms. Cirino, 2nd by Mr. Lyle. Discussion began and questions about whether or not the opposition has been invited to present their side to our council has been done. Motion to Postpone to a future Meeting. Motion by Mr. Askew, 2nd by Mr. Phillips. Motion PASSED with 9 in favor and 3 abstentions.

Discussion and possible action to support the pending Community Care Ordinance. Motion by Mr. Rivas 2nd by Ms. Bursk. Motion PASSED with 12 in favor and 1 abstension.

VIII. Committee Reports

Outreach Committee (Sean Rivas, Chair)

Discussion and possible board action to create an ad hoc task force committee for the GHSNC Newsletter. Motion from Committee. Motion PASSED by Unanimous Vote with the task for members being Mr. Beauvais, Mr. Stevens, Mr. Rivas, Mr. Dunlap, Mr. Lopez and Mr. Askew.

Discussion and possible board action to co-sponsor with other neighborhood councils a CD12 Candidates Debate sometime in February 2011. Motion from Committee. Motion PASSED with 13 in favor and 1 abstension. Mr. Smith Recused himself from the vote.

Public Safety Committee (Robert Stevens, Chair)

Ron Lorenzen will present in Next Month. He has been confirmed.

Planning and Land Use Management Committee (Jerry Askew, Chair)

Gave a general report on items that have recently come to our attention.

IX. Board Member comments, announcements and Agenda Items for next General Meeting and Committee Meetings.

Mr. Kabo: Thanked both NC's for there community support.

Mr. Dunlap: Thanked all the High School Students in attendance for staying.

Ms. Cirino: FaithBased Meeting.

X. Adjournment

MOTION (by Mr. Rivas, seconded by Mr. Smith): to **ADJOURN** the Meeting

MOTION PASSED without any objections.

The Meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 9:13 p.m.