Minutes of the General Board Meeting of the GRANADA HILLS SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (GHSNC) Thursday, December 8, 2011

VALLEY ACADEMY OF ARTS & SCIENCES, 10445 Balboa Blvd., Granada Hills, CA 91344

I. Call to Order

President Dave Beauvais called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. Board Member Philips led Pledge of Allegiance.

II. <u>Roll Call</u>

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

Dave Beauvais, President
Brandon Schindelheim, Treasurer
Julie A. Carson, Member-at-Large
Krisna Crawford-Velasco, Member-at-Large
Gina Greschner, Renters
Sally Kolstad, Education
Joel M. Lyle, Member-at-Large
Michael Phillips, Member-at-Large

Sean Rivas, Secretary
Bonnie M. Bursk, Com. Prop. Owners
Jett M. Dunlap, Member-at-Large
Deron Lopez, Youth Activities
Eric Mansker, Homeowners
Debbie Wubben, Member-at-Large
Arthur A. Daush, Seniors

Board Members absent: Jerry Askew, Business (excused), Tiwinkle Khurana, Students, Robert Stevens, Member-at-Large, Ross Turmell, Factual Basis (excused).

A quorum was present at the start of the meeting (15 of 21 Board members) Alexia Cirino, Faith Based Groups arrived at 6:40 p.m.; Brad Smith, Vice President, arrived at 6:47 p.m.; Sean Rivas left after taking attendance as he had another meeting to chair.

Parliamentarian Mike Kabo was present.

Approximately 25 stakeholder and guests were in attendance.

III. Approval of the Minutes

Motion by Mr. Rivas to approve minutes from September 8, 2011, October 13, 2011 and November 10, 2011 Board meetings. Motion seconded by Ms. Crawford-Velasco. Motion PASSED unanimously.

IV. Public Comment

Mr. Rivas again thanked everyone for their support as this was his final meeting as a Board member. Ms. Crawford-Velasco, the NC's rep to the Mayor's Day Budget Committee gave a report about various subcommittees being formed. Mr. Lopez introduced Mary Barrientos.

V. Community Speakers

(Pls. Note: Ms. Cottier arrived later and gave her report midway through the Board Issues & Updates portion of the agenda.)

Megan Cottier – CD12 District Director –1) Congratulations on the GH Holiday parade; 2) reported on L.A. City Redistricting meetings re redrawing city council

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district boundaries. For more info: <u>redistricting2011@lacity.org</u>; 3) CM Englander introduced a motion to ask about the cost to the city of Occupy L.A. First Amendment activities; 4) Reported on toy drive for PALS; 5) The CM's office is moving to Chatsworth and the other offices will be closed (Northridge and current Chatsworth train station location)

VI. Officer Reports

Mr. Beauvais reported on a presentation about citrus tree pests that pose a potential danger to our community's trees.

VII. Board Issues & Updates

Review and approval of US Bank purchasing card transactions, bank statements and budget report. Motion PASSED unanimously.

Discussion and possible Board action to approve up to \$300 for next Faith Based luncheon. Moved and seconded by Cirino/Crawford-Velasco; motion PASSED unanimously.

Discussion and possible Board action to co-sponsor candidate forum for upcoming 30th Congressional district election. Probable date/location: February 21 or 23 at Valley Academy auditorium. Would be co-sponsored with GH Chamber. Moved and seconded by Mansker/Lyle. Motion PASSED unanimously.

Discussion and possible Board action to approve a new meeting location. Motion withdrawn and will be on January 2012 agenda.

Board confirmation of appointment of Julie Carson as Secretary. Unanimously approved.

Board confirmation of appointment of Jett Dunlap as Outreach Chair. Unanimously approved.

Board confirmation of appointment of Deron Lopez to Recreation/Parks and Cultural Affairs Director position. Unanimously approved.

Discussion and possible Board action to reassign GHSNC credit card. Moved/seconded by Mansker/Phillips for Dave Beauvais to be the second credit card holder. Because Mr. Beauvais is NC President, Brad Smith (Vice-President) will also review Treasurer's report.

Discussion regarding City Clerk NC election survey. Charter was changed and now City Clerk has responsibility for these elections; however, City Council has not given any funding to administer them. Several alternate proposals have been made. Mr. Beauvais encouraged all board members to think about this issue, take the survey, and this subject will be on the January 2012 agenda.

VIII. Committee Reports

Beautification Committee

Discussion and possible action to provide permanent lighting to the pergola at Veteran's Memorial Park. It was reported that the Rotary Club is working with the Rotary Foundation on permanent lighting.

IX. Board Member comments, announcements and future agenda Items

Ms. Kolstad announced the annual block party in her neighborhood on Sunday, December 11 starting at 3:00 p.m.

Several board members made comments saluting Mr. Rivas' service to our Neighborhood Council and community. It was noted that it's taking five us to replace the jobs performed by Sean over the last few years.

X. Adjournment

As this was Sean Rivas' last meeting as a Board member, Brad Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting in honor of Mr. Rivas's service. It was seconded and unanimously approved. The meeting continued as a holiday mixer with the stakeholders and friends in attendance.