Minutes of the General Board Meeting of the GRANADA HILLS SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (GHSNC) Thursday, May 10, 2012 (Approved)

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 6:39 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Roll Call was taken by Secretary Julie Carson. Board Members present:

Dave Beauvais
Brad Smith
Julie Carson
Brandon Schindelheim
Jerry Askew
Arthur Daush
Gina Greschner
Tiwinkle Khurana
Sally Kolstad
Joel Lyle
Deron Lopez
Jett Dunlap

Board Members absent:

Bonnie Bursk (excused) Michael Phillips

Alexia Cirino Ross Turmell (excused)
Krisna Crawford-Velasco Debbie Wubben (excused)

Eric Mansker (excused)

A quorum was present at the start of the meeting (12 of 21 Board members)

III. Approval of the Minutes

Minutes of March 2012 meeting were unanimously approved (Carson/Smith)

IV. Public Comment

Jerry Askew reported on complaints from business on Chatsworth about kids in cars with loud stereos. Jerry will look into this.

VIII. Committee Reports

Planning and Land Use Committee (Jerry Askew, Chair) report was moved forward in the agenda because Jerry had to leave to attend another meeting.

P & LU held a committee meeting this month with nothing special on the agenda. Jerry reported that the Community Care Facilities Ordinance is making its way through the City Council. It is now before the whole council who will be voting on it in the next few weeks. Jerry also reported on the public right of way regarding cell towers. The City Council is working on it, but it's currently stalled. Their Public Works committee is working on an official ordinance, and the City attorney is working on an ordinance on regulatory mechanism for the cell towers.

V. Community Speakers

Dario Del Core, LAPD Sr. Lead Officer for Devonshire Division reported the following: The battle against residential burglaries continues. Porter Ranch had a spike in these activities in January. LAPD threw everything they had at it, along with the help of the CHP. The end of January, beginning of February (2/9-3/6) was the lowest four week stretch; however, north Granada Hills saw an increase instead. Now we're down to the numbers we're used to seeing. It's taken everything we have to keep it down to "normal" levels. Our area is below average in car theft and car break ins.

VI. Officer Reports

President: Dave Beauvais reported about the upcoming NC elections. He will bring a motion about our options in June, whether we want a formal election or a selection process.

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Treasurer: Brandon reported that we have \$3,834.00 left

Vice President: Regarding the Neighborhood Purpose Grant for the Granada Hills Charter High School Vietnam Vets Memorial – the Rededication ceremony will be held at GHCHS on Friday, May 25 at 12:30 p.m.. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.

Secretary: April and May minutes will be approved in June.

VII. Board Issues & Updates

Review and approval of U. S. Bank purchasing card transactions, bank statement and budget report. Budget report reviewed: Motion to approve budget report from April to May approved 11-0 (Schindelheim/Kolstad). Motion to approve proposed reallocations passed 11-0 (Schindelheim/Dunlap)

Discussion and possible Board action to approve Granada Hills Charter High School as our meeting location for the months of June through August 2012. Motion passed 11-0 (Beauvais/Schindelheim)

Board confirmation of Patrick Flynn as At-Large Director. Approved 11-0 (Smith/Lopez)

VIII. Committee Reports (continued)

Outreach (Jett Dunlap, Chair)

Discussion and possible board action for printing and installation of (20) (30) street pole banners in an amount not to exceed \$5,500. Motion to postpone this issue until July passed 11-0 (Smith/Lyle)

Jett Dunlap gave an update on our recent Newsletter, which had been successfully completed and mailed.

Update on purchase of additional giveaway items for Outreach events. Ideas for items included pens, buttons, bracelets, "I – heart – Granada Hills". We have \$1,800 to spend.

Update on June 23 Movie Night: The movie will be *How to Train Your Dragon* at Petit Park, with free popcorn and tote bags.

IX. Board Member comments, announcements and future agenda Items

Lyle: The L.A. City Council is about to vote on a ban on plastic bags. This Saturday is the upcoming letter carrier's food drive, so please remember to put food out. Jett and Julie are doing a "helluva" job.

Khurana: We should stop using plastic bags

Schindelheim: We are on another mad dash to spend our money down. We need to look at the fiscal year as a 9 month spending period. DONE has put such strong fiscal policies in place, that it makes it hard for us, because their timetable is not realistic and our money gets swept.

Beauvais: We've done a pretty good job dealing with DONE's regulations. The GH Recreation Center thanked us for our donation to their Spring Egg hunt.

Carson: Kudos to Jett for his work on Outreach.

Smith: We should find people in our own circle for projects.

X. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:15 approved (Smith/Kolstad)