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## WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

## JOINT ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, April 23, 2018 @ 7:00 P.M.

Chaminade College Preparatory – Condon Center 23260 Saticoy St., West Hills, CA 91304 APPROVED

Committee Attendees: Steve Randall Co Chair, Alec Uzemeck Co Chair, Char Rothstein and Marge Brown

WHNC Attendees: Simone Best, Tom Booth, Bob Brostoff, Bonnie Klea, Ron Sobel, Joan Trent, Faye Barta, Myrl Schreibman, Joanne Yvanek-.Garb and Dan Brin.

Members of the Public: Michael Walsh, Christina Walsh, Jon Berg and Michael Dinem.

Alec called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM and a quorum was present. The minutes for the March 14<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved. The co-chairs did not have any introductory comments.

Alec shared information from the DTSC quarterly meeting that was held on March 29<sup>th</sup> in which DTSC said that they would be following the cleanup plan described in their draft PEIR. This plan would require Boeing to clean up to suburban residential including backyards growing edible plants and fruit. DOE and NASA would clean up to the AOC levels, clean up to background or detect, with the project to be completed in 2034.

Alec presented the 2014 cancer study in West Hills made by Dr. Mack in which he were unable to find any data linking the SSFL to cancer in the surrounding areas. Recently Dr. Mack completed a study, which was requested by the state, The Children's' Hospital of Los Angeles and some residents and which examined child cancers for the ages up to 14 years old. The study concluded that there was no evidence of a child cancer linked to the SSFL. Many of the attendees were unaware of the study. In a recent news interview with Dr. Morgenstern, he said that the determination of a cancer cluster is more of an art rather than of science. He also said that linking the cause of a cancer to a single source is impossible.

Dan Hirsh in a recent document said that the neighborhood councils "purported" to be elected representatives of the people. The Committee felt that the Council should write to DTSC corrects this statement by pointing out that the neighborhood councils defined in the LA City Charter and are part of the City administration. After discussion a motion was approved to prepare a response letter to DTSC.

Revisions to the numbers of members in the Committee Operating Rules were approved.

Discussion of new items future Committee consideration was tabled to our next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM