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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Joint Board and Special Events Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 7, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m. Chaminade College Preparatory – Condon Center 2nd Floor 23241 W. Cohasset Street West Hills, CA 91304

Chair Myrl Schreibman called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

Quorum was established.

In attendance: Alejandro Phillips, Myrl Schreibman, Aida Abkarians, Faye Barta, Glenn Jennings, Miriam Schimmel, Char Rothstein, Saif Magri, and Carolyn Poppert

<u>Comments from the Chair</u>: Myrl spoke about the difficulty of producing the Halloween Houses event. Myrl spoke about how he had a vision for this event and that he saw it to fruition with this year's fifth annual event. He relayed that there were over 18,000 hits on our WHNC website for Halloween Houses. He said that many constituents have stated to him that this event "put West Hills on the map." He believes that residents are looking forward to year six of the Halloween Houses event. This event was also featured on KTTV, Fox 11, Good Morning LA with Amanda Salas, who was also one of the judges in this year's competition of Halloween Houses on Display.

Alejandro Phillips indicated that he spread the word about the Halloween Houses event through a social media campaign, Instagram, etc. He was not surprised at the great turnout, the number of visits to our website, or the number of people visiting the houses. He believes there was a lot of excitement about the event. Myrl stated that next year, we may want to consider calling the event, the "Candy Cane Lane" of Halloween. Myrl also advised that in order to keep the event established, we should consider working with a 501(c)(3) next year.

Myrl is not sure of his position next year and the production of Halloween Houses. It will depend on if his residency is still in West Hills.

Item#4: Active Shooter Event

Miriam advised that she has contacted ELCO in Woodland Hills and Dean Bennett states the auditorium is large enough and available at that site to hold the event. Ms. Schimmel is also trying to get a survivor from the shooting at Borderline to speak at the Active Shooter event. The event has a tentative date for Wednesday, March 13th, 2024, at 7pm.

Item#5: Valentine's Dinner Dance Event

Aida Abkarians and Char Rothstein will spear head. The event will be held Wednesday, February 14th, 2024, at the Bob Hope Center, at Chaminade High School in West Hills.

- 1) Registration
- 2) Flyers
- 3) Social Media
- 4) Raffle Items
- 5) Caterer
- 6) D.J.

Public Comments: Carolyn Poppert would like to help with the Valentines Dinner Dance and join the Special Events committee. The meeting was adjourned at 8:39 pm by acting chair, Alejandro Phillips.

Next meeting: TBD