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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

JOINT HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 14, 2019

Chaminade High School, West Hills, CA

Approved February 11, 2019

Those in attendance were: Aida Abkarians, Thomas Booth, Olivia Naturman, Marie Javdani, Joann Yvanek-Garb (arrived 7:00 PM), Saifuddin Mogri, Joan Trent, and Brad Vanderhoof.

Committee Co-Chair Thomas Booth called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM. A quorum was established. The minutes from the December meeting were approved.

Numbers refer to agenda items.

4. Chair Comments: None

6. Public Comment: None

5. Homelessness Liaison Report: Thomas reiterated the need for a volunteer to replace Simone as the WHNC homeliness liaison. Said will consider.

7. Committee Operating Rules: Brad moved to amend the draft rules to add Said as a member. Thomas seconded. The amendment was unanimously approved. The Committee Operating Rules were unanimously approved.

8. 2019 Homeless Count: Thomas explained the current status of the planning for the count. A planned walk through at Shepard of the Valley on the morning of Friday, January 18th was cancelled. Brad will get the WHNC projector and test. Thomas asked WHNC volunteers with setup responsibilities to be onsite between 4:00 and 4:30 PM the night of the count. Olivia reported the new version of the LAHSA training video is not yet available. She will send it out when available (hopefully early in the week of Jan. 14).

9. Donation to West Hills Food Pantry: Brad asked if this needs to be an N.P.G. since it is going to a non-profit. Aida suggested increasing the amount from \$250 to \$350. Item tabled to February.

10. Transfer of \$500 to 2019 WHNC Election Budget: Thomas moved to recommend the Budget Committee move \$500 from the Homelessness Committee budget to the Election Committee budget. Aida seconded.

Yes – 6, No – 0, Abstain – 1, Absent – 1

The recommendation will be forwarded to the Budget Committee.

11. LAUSD Report on Student Housing: A workgroup has met, and Brad is drafting a letter for consideration at the February Board meeting.

12. Safe Parking: Los Angeles County is trying to establish safe parking locations on county owned lots. Olivia proposed a safe parking forum based on a tabling or open house model with many agencies represented.

13. Sister on the Street and Sunshine Club: The Sunshine Club had a very successful collection event to benefit Sisters on the Street. Thomas thanked Aida Abkarians, Esperanza Butler, and Dan Brin for organizing.

14. West Valley Neighborhood Alliance on Homelessness: The alliance is seeking official status from the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.

15. Future Agenda Items: Thomas has arranged for a presentation on supportive housing for the February Homelessness Committee meeting.

Committee Co-Chair Thomas adjourned the meeting at 7:47 PM.

The next meeting of this committee is on Monday, February 11, 2019 at 6:30 PM, Chaminade High School Condon Center, second floor conference room. **PLEASE NOTE this is not the usual meeting date.**