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Richard Williams - Business Representative
Leon Burdeos - Community Interest Stakeholder
Eva Aubry - At Large Representative
Jace Dawson - At Large Representative
Clint Simmons -Homeowner Representative
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West Adams Neighborhood Council

Draft Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Vineyard Recreation Center, 2942 Vineyard Ave, Los Angeles, CA, 90016
Monday, February 24, 2020

1. Welcome and Call to Order

Steven Meeks	Present	Connye Thomas	Present
Leslie Graham	Present	Sean Curley	Present
Richard Williams	Present	Jace Dawson	Present
Leon Burdeos	Present	Kristyn Yancy	Present
Eva Aubry	Present	Clint Simmons	Unexcused
Yolanda Davis- Overstreet	Present		

Mr. Meeks called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM: Quorum met.

2. Government Representatives: None present.

3. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: two minutes per person (until 7 PM)

A. Leon Burdeos - He stated that he is running for CD 10.

B. Logan Altman - He stated that he is the owner of the property Altman Garden Inn and that he was seeking to convert the property to apartment rentals. He presented a letter of support for the project and invited people to sign on to it.

C. Leslie Graham - She gave an update about new traffic patterns on Jefferson Blvd, stating that new bicycle lanes were being considered.

D. Grace Yoo - She stated that she is running for City Council and that she is supportive of

increasing affordable housing in the area. She also stated that her other main focuses are homelessness and corruption.

E. John Brassville - He stated that he is running for School Board District 1 and that he would work to motivate young people as school board member. He also stated that he would seek to collaborate with city leaders to improve schools in District 1.

D. Rene Rigard - He stated that he is running for LA County Board of Supervisors District 2 to increase incomes in the district and make sure that taxpayers' money is spent wisely. He stated his opposition to the \$200,000 fee for judges to publish candidate statements in the official manual.

4. Administrative Items:

A. Secretary's Report: Discussion and possible action on approval of January 2020 Board Meeting Minutes -

Mr. Burdeos moved not to approve. Mr. Williams seconded. Mr. Burdeos and Mr. Williams voted yes. President Meeks, Ms. Davis-Overstreet, Ms. Yancy, Ms. Curley, Ms. Aubry, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Simmons, and Ms. Graham voted no. 2/9/0. Not passed.

Ms. Curley moved to approve with corrections to the date and the attendance. Mr. Dawson seconded. President Meeks, Ms. Davis-Overstreet, Ms. Yancy, Ms. Curley, Ms. Aubry, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Simmons, and Ms. Graham voted yes. Mr. Burdeos and Mr. Williams voted no. 9/2/0. Passed.

B. Treasurers Report: Discussion and possible action on approval of December 2019 and January 2020 MERs - **President Meeks tabled the item until next month stated that the MERs are available online.**

5. Presentations: None given.

6. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment: Brett Shears

A. He introduced himself and spoke about the function of DONE and Neighborhood Councils. He discussed the Treasurer vacancy on the Board and the importance of transparency. He also passed out several documents covering the powers of Board members. He also discussed voting centers and changes to provisional ballots. He also spoke about a meeting taking place on March 31st at the Controller's office.

Ms. Thomas described the voting process using the new electronic system.

7. Standing Committee and City Liaison Reports:

Mr. Dawson invited stakeholders to join and work on Committees.

President Meeks stated that the March 3rd election would be a great opportunity to sign people up on the Board's email list. He stated that the Rules Committee would meet shortly and that their recommendations would be brought to the Board.

Ms. Davis spoke about City Liaisons and an upcoming training for those positions.

8. Announcements:

President Meeks asked Mr. Williams to bring NC election materials to a Board meeting. Mr. Williams declined. Williams stated Meeks would need to pick them up from his place of business and the City Clerk said they could be destroyed. Meeks stated the Board agreed in December for Williams to pick the election materials up from the city clerk.

Mr. Williams asked about the policy on food for meetings. President Meeks clarified the policy.

9. Old Business:

A. Discussion and possible action on paying Lloyd Staffing invoice balance not to exceed \$31

Mr. Simmons was not present for the votes.

Mr. Burdeos moved to not approve. Mr. Williams seconded. Mr. Burdeos and Mr. Williams voted yes. President Meeks, Ms. Davis-Overstreet, Ms. Yancy, Ms. Curley, Ms. Aubry, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Thomas, and Ms. Graham voted no. 2/8/0. Not passed.

Ms. Thomas moved to approve. Ms. Aubry seconded. President Meeks, Ms. Davis-Overstreet, Ms. Yancy, Ms. Curley, Ms. Aubry, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Thomas, and Ms. Graham voted yes. Mr. Burdeos and Mr. Williams voted no. 8/2/0. Passed.

B. Discussion and possible action on assigning contact info on website, legal notice page agenda

President Meeks introduced the item. Ms. Graham volunteered to monitor the public access of record. Ms. Curley volunteered to monitor the Board's phone. Mr. Dawson asked that the Outreach Committee have access to it.

10. New Business:

A. Discussion and possible action on funding request from Vineyard Rec Center for children's activities not to exceed \$700

President Meeks presented the item. Ms. Graham stated that she asked the President for backup information and that it had not been given.

Ms. Graham, Mr. Williams, and Mr. Burdeos recused themselves from the meeting.

Quorum lost. Not a recusal, Graham stated she was not going to vote on these items because expenditure details were not provided. Meeks stated she could not be at the dais and not vote - she was given the option to go outside while the item was to be acted on. Graham elected to leave the meeting entirely. Burdeos and Williams followed suit in protest with Graham. Dawson commented on their actions in disappointment. Quorum was lost. Meeting was adjourned.

Invoices were handed out to the Board.

12. Adjourn: 7:40 PM.

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