Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

Tuesday, April 30, 2013, 6:00 PM

Sherman Oaks Public Library

**MINUTES**

1. The meeting was called to Order by Jill Banks Barad, President, at 6:05 pm.
2. Present: Officers - Barad, Hutchinson, Casavan, Katchen, Board members with vote – Revord, Ziff
3. The Executive Committee Minutes of March 26, 2013, were approved.
4. Public comment – None.
5. President’s Report
   1. The agenda and program for the **Transportation and Traffic Town Hall** planned for the May 13 SONC Board Meeting was discussed.
   2. Additional agenda items were deferred to Committee agenda items.
   3. Office Space - May 15 has been set as the move in date for the office at 5121 Van Nuys Boulevard. This will be followed by an Open House. Items needed for the office were discussed.
   4. Communications regarding disbursement of funds was deferred to the Finance Committee agenda item.
   5. Authorization of funds toward Budget Advocates was discussed.  **The Executive Committee authorized $100 from Outreach to be allocated.**
6. Treasurer’s Report/Finance Committee:
   1. Howard reviewed the current budget status. With current expenses and commitments, there is an estimated $7,600 of unallocated funds.
   2. The due date for Demand Warrant submittals is May 15. Howard requested all information by Friday, May 10, to prepare for the Board Meeting.
   3. The $2600 allocation for SO/VN youth athletics was discussed. Jill stated that in her discussions with the City Attorney’s office, she has been told that NC’s cannot give money to individuals. The alternative of giving money to the youth athletic program was discussed. Ron Ziff agree to talk with Parks and Recreation about this alternative. Proposed by Boardmember Max Calne.
   4. Allocation of $1000 to LA Valley College was discussed. Jill pointed out that the purpose of having a SONC representative on the Valley College Advisory Committee was for SONC to make recommendations to the College on how they should spend their bond money. The Executive Committee declined the allocation of money to LA Valley College because the College is not in SONC’s area and the use of the money was undefined.
7. Committee Reports
   1. Rules & Elections – Arthur Hutchinson, Chair.

**Action Item:** It was moved by Arthur and seconded by Ron that Executive Committee recommend supporting BONC’s recommendations regarding ‘factual basis stakeholder.’ Passed 6-0-0

* 1. Land Use Committee – Ron Ziff, Chair.

The LUC will be meeting at the Senior Center through April of 2014.

The City Planning Commission approved the Il Villagio Project with some modifications.

The LUC heard a presentation on a proposed development at 5300 Sepulveda Boulevard. The project will involve 36 apts. for very low income. The project was heard but no decision.

Center BMW is proposing a project at Magnolia and Van Nuys Boulevard that will involve rezoning and that falls into the SONC and Van Nuys NC areas. A joint meeting has been proposed including both NC’s.

* 1. Green and Beautification – Carolyn Casavan, Chair.

Sepulveda Basin South Wildlife Area – The ACOE has pulled back on its agreement to restore the disturbed wildlife area. The Executive Committee recommended that a letter be sent to Congressman Brad Sherman’s office. Carolyn agreed to write the letter.

It was suggested and agreed that the Green and Beautification Committee would prepare to have a Panel of Resources for the October Board Meeting.

* 1. Outreach – Sherry Revord, Chair

Newsletter – Funding and logistics for the newsletter were discussed.

1. The following announcements were made from the Executive Committee on items within SONC’s jurisdiction
   1. Next Executive Committee Meeting scheduled for May 28.
   2. Budget due in July, $37,000. May 24 target date for input to Howard. Decision at June Board Meeting.
   3. U.S. Naval Cadets are having an Open House on June 1.
   4. Next VANC meeting, May 9.
2. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.
3. Closed Session

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Casavan, Secretary