

Van Nuys Neighborhood Council

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Draft General Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 12, 2017
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Marvin Braude Constituent Service Center
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Van Nuys, CA 91401



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1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America and Roll Call
Meeting called to order 7:07 pm
2. Treasurer's Report and Approval of MERS – November, December 2016 & January, February, March 2017
Conducted at 8:22 pm upon arrival of Treasurer, Stacey Rains.
3. Reports from Public Officials/Departments/Community Agencies/Budget Advocate
Reports provided by Councilmember Nury Martinez's Office, Asm Nazarian's Office, Budget Advocate, LAPD
4. Workplace Violence/Harassment/Bullying Training – City Attorney's Office
5. Report from Department of Neighborhood Empowerment
 - a. Continued discussion and possible action of Work Plan: Establishment of roles and responsibilities and tasks needed to accomplish
Jeanette Hopp was appointed interim Secretary. Announced the intent to fill 3 vacancies. Discussion of completing inventory, input from Board was provided on current status items and of last inventory taken. Discussion of storage locker and price increasing in August from \$260. Discussion of committee roles and committee structure
 - b. Discussion and possible action: Approval of Minutes – March 8, 2017 VNNC General Board Meeting
Board voted to approve minutes.
6. Reports from Outreach Committee Chair
 - a. Recognition of Community Leaders – *Geff Smith was recognized for contributions to the community.*
 - b. Homelessness Update – *Item was not discussed.*
7. Discussion of concept to support movie night event in partnership with Los Angeles County Bicycle Coalition (LACBC) in Van Nuys for August 2017 – *Update was provided by Quirino and Avi from LACBC regarding desire to utilize public space for community events and bicycle safety awareness. Will be working with B&F Committee on budget for event.*

8. Discussion and possible action of concept to support Van Nuys Community Block Party and Movie Night in partnership with Councilmember Paul Krekorian's Office and Mid Valley Police Council – *Voted to support the concept of funding event for \$2,000 at a future date.*
9. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items within the Board's Jurisdiction (up to two minutes per speaker)
10. Board Comments on Non-Agenda Items
*Howard Benjamin announced completion of 2 promotional videos for Van Nuys
George Thomas mentioned desire to hire administrative help to assist Executive Committee.*
11. Adjournment 9:25 pm

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