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## Van Nuys Neighborhood Council



### Van Nuys Neighborhood Council Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 28, 2023

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1. Call to order at 7:10PM Pledge of Allegiance.

VNNC ITEM 1. Roll Call	
Present -04	Absent-01
Schreiner, Vijayan, Febre, Bolla	Hendry

No recorded votes. Group discussion/-public comment—consensus.

2. Executive reports.
  - a. President
  - b. Vice President
  - c. Secretary
  - d. Treasurer – Need BAC for Orange Cooler Project NPG, which was approved at GBM. Kathy will request BAC from Terrence Gomes.
  - e. Parliamentarian – Report on Bylaws Committee work on revisions.

3. General public comment.
 

Lionel Mares  
Latora Green

**Secretary Hendry joined the meeting at 7:15PM.**

4. Discussion and possible action on minutes from the Jan 31st meeting of the Executive Committee. Moved Myrra and seconded Suju. Approved.
5. Reflections on participation with other Neighborhood Councils on February 18th in a joint candidate forum for the CD6 City Council Special Election. Discussion on the CD 6 debate. (VNNC is part of CD 6.). Good debate—6 out of 7 candidates appeared. Not great “walk up” at meeting for VNNC to solicit candidates for our own pending elections. Suju suggested that if there is a runoff among the top two candidates, VNNC might invite those two people to attend a Board meeting.

Public comment—Lionel Mares.

6. Discussion about preferred method for holding VNNC Board meetings after March 29 and the need to take a vote at the March 8th GBM. OUR LAST—or—NEXT TO LAST ZOOM MEETING??— Discussion on future VNNC meetings. The end of the ZOOM format? CITY still in flux—for April, VNNC has reserved Braude—members/guests on COVID issues??—(No, we won’t check COVID cards). Do we want to pa for LAPD security?. Question that committees can’t meet—in April—and that—perhaps—all committees will meet in a “Braude marathon” on one day—in various corners—of Braude. More ZOOM-ing may come—but only if California Legislature approves.
7. Planning for March 11th VNNC Board Retreat See Appendix A for initial list of topics to be discussed at the Board Retreat. Board retreat. March 13, 2022–9 am to 12 noon. Still on ZOOM. Icebreaker first. Suju will report from the Ad Hoc Committee on the “20th Anniversary Event” plan. Issues that VNNC should “translate” still in discussion,

8. Administrative Matters

- a. Agree on March calendar of VNNC Meetings to be posted on website calendar page Master schedule for Committees. Assistance for Committees. March Master Calendar posted.

9. VNNC elections – key dates Candidate filing started on February 22, 2023 and ends April 8, 2023. (Candidates can submit an application online via the City Clerk’s Portal or by submitting a paper application.) Vote by Mail (VBM) applications can be submitted through the online portal or by paper application from April 23, 2023 to June 3, 2023. (NOTE: Both application deadlines are moving from 5:00PM to 11:59PM. Staff will only be available to provide assistance during business hours.) The VNNC in-person voting will take place on June 22, 2023 from 11:00AM to 5:00PM. VBM ballots will be mailed out on May 18, 2023 and must be returned and postmarked by election day and received no later than July 2, 2023 in order to be counted. Dates for Upcoming VNNC Election. Candidates May file February 22–April 3, 2023. To vote by mail, register April 23, 2023 to June 3, 2023. In person election on June 22, 2023, 11am to 5 pm. Ballots mailed out May 18–must be postmarked by Election Day—May come thru mail as late as July 2, 2023. Browning, Election Outreach meeting

Public Comment: Goat Puppet.

10. Items for March General Board Meeting (3/8)

- a. No planned guest speaker
- b. Approval of minutes of Feb. 8th meeting
- c. Discussion and possible action on motions from PLUM Committee (three projects)
- d. Discussion and possible action on motions from Budget & Finance Committee (including recommendations on one NPG application and approval of Dec and Jan MERs)
- e. Discussion and possible action on preference for a method of holding meetings in the future.
- f. Share information about the 2023 VNNC Board Member Election process.
  - i. Key dates on the calendar for the various elements of the process.
  - ii. List of qualifications for open Board seats
  - iii. Report on outreach plans.
- g. Reminder and review of agenda for Board retreat to be held on March 11th.

11. New item for future discussion

- a. VNNC Election is late in “election cycle” and “finance year”. Will we have officers qualified for the new fiscal year??

12. Adjournment 8:30 PM Moved Suju. Seconded Jennifer.

Respectfully submitted by John Hendry  
Secretary  
Van Nuys NC

March 3, 2023