



Minutes of the
ARLETA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (ANC)
GENERAL BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, February 16, 2016

at Beachy Ave. Elementary School – Auditorium, 9757 Beachy Ave., Arleta, CA 91331

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I. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

President John Hernandez introduced himself and called the Meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. Roll Call was taken by the Minutes Writer. Six of the 12 Board Members were present at the Roll Call: Jesus Barron, Raymond Duran, Jaime Gallo, John Hernandez, Kelly Magallanes and Bryan Ramirez. Julian Ramirez arrived later. Five Board Members were absent: Olivia Chavez, Gissell Cordero, Veronica DeLara, Marco Flores and Sergio Ibarra. The ANC quorum (the minimum number of Board Members needing to be present to take binding votes on Agendized Items) is nine (see <http://www.ArletaNC.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/03/ANC-Bylaws-Amendments-012614SD.pdf>), so at this time the Board could only take public comments and could not have any official discussions, and could not make any Motions or take any votes. Twelve of the 17 Board Seats were filled (by election or appointment). Five Board Seats (Faith-Based Organizations, Home/Condo Owner, Renter, Seniors and Youth) were vacant. [To apply, see www.ArletaNC.org.] Also attending: 14 Stakeholders and Guests. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Brian Gavidia.

II. President’s Message

Mr. Hernandez reported that DONE [the L.A. Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment; 818.374.9895; www.EmpowerLA.org] sent unapproved mailers on behalf of the ANC, costing around \$3,700; the ANC is not paying for it. Bryan Ramirez was recognized for completing the L.A. Marathon [applause].

III. Comments/Announcements from Government Officials, including

a. Congressman Tony Cardenas

No representative was present and there was no report at this time.

b. State Senator Bob Hertzberg

Eveline Bravo-Ayala, District Representative for State 18th District Senator Bob Hertzberg (818-901-5588; Eveline.BravoAyala@sen.ca.gov; <http://senate.ca.gov/hertzberg>), reported that a March 3rd 6:00 p.m. "Transportation Summit" will be held at CSUN "to ensure funding stays in the northeast San Fernando Valley for transportation, especially" in the Van Nuys Blvd. corridor and provides 'a lot of connectivity to CSUN.'" Comments are encouraged. Also, the annual leaf blower exchange program is starting.

Board Member Julian Ramirez arrived at this time (6:44), making seven Board Members present, two short of the ANC quorum of nine.

c. Assemblywoman Patty Lopez

No representative was present and there was no report at this time.

d. Councilmember Nury Martinez

Elizabeth Jimenez, Field Deputy for L.A. City District Six Councilmember Nury Martinez (office 818-771-0236; Elizabeth.Jimenez@LACity.org; <http://CD6.LACity.org>), thanked the Arleta Lookyloos for help with the community cleanup and the January 27th Homeless Count. CicLAVia (213.355.8500; Info@CicLAVia.org; www.CicLAVia.org; @CicLAVia) will be March 6th 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.; Van Nuys Blvd. will be closed from Roscoe to San Fernando Road. Mr. Hernandez added that the Chamber of Commerce will have an event with CicLAVia and CD6.

e. L.A.U.S.D Board Member Monica Ratliff

Monica Ratliff, LAUSD District Three Board Member (ofc. 818-252-5445; Monica.Ratliff@lausd.net; <http://Ratliff.LASchoolBoard.org>), reported that the proposed DWP rate increase would cost the School District \$22 million more over five years; they already pay \$80-\$90 million per year. She noted that the School District cannot increase their costs and that the proposed DWP increase would cause job losses for teachers and/or maintenance staff; it also would negatively affect charter schools. Michelle King, new LAUSD Superintendant, Ms. Ratliff and other officials will speak and answer questions at a March 1st 8:00 a.m. Town Hall Meeting at Pacoima Middle School.

f. Monica Rodriguez Board of Public Works Commissioner

Monica Rodriguez, Commissioner, L.A. City Board of Public Works (BPW; <http://bpw.lacity.org>) reported they will have another "rain barrel event" in which free rain barrels will be given "at no cost to taxpayers" to each attending homeowner. She explained that community organizations can "adopt a median . . . at a very low cost." Ms. Rodriguez offered to help obtain the Arleta gateway sign and to help "providing City services." The Urban Forestry Division "is down to two crews"; more staff are being hired.

g. Other Government Agencies

Brian Gavidia, Northeast Valley Representative for Mayor Eric Garcetti (213-713-0960; Brian.Gavidia@LACity.org; <http://LAMayor.org>), announced a Saturday, March 12th 12:00-3:00 p.m. Job Fair at the Pacoima Workforce Center. He offered help with immigration and other issues.

IV. Report from L.A.P.D Senior Lead Officer and/or L.A.F.D Representatives

Tracy Ware, LAPD Mission Division Senior Lead Officer (ofc. 818-838-9844; cell 818-634-0624; 34621@LACity.org; http://www.LAPDonline.org/Mission_Community_Police_Station), introduced herself. She distributed copies of and reviewed recent crime statistics. She reminded to “lock it, hide it, keep it”; lock vehicles. She encouraged using the MyLA311 mobile app or calling 1-877-ASK-LAPD for non-emergency issues such as vandalism and illegal dumping. Officer Ware described enforcement work with City Council District Six regarding illegal “pushcarts,” homeless encampments and yard sales.

V. General Public Comments on Items Not Listed on Agenda.

There were no comments at this time.

VI. Presentation – Dr. Karen Halligan – The Lucy Pet Foundation

Mr. Hernandez relayed that Dr. Halligan was unable to attend.

Board Business:

VII. Motion/Discussion/Vote on ANC Board Minutes

- a. January 12, 2016
- b. January 25, 2016

There was no discussion at this time. No Motions were made or votes taken.

VIII. Motion/Discussion/Vote on the Monthly Treasurers Report, including the Monthly Expenditure Report (M.E.R)

Ms. Magallanes distributed copies of the ANC “January Monthly Expenditure Report” and related receipts, invoices, statements and Union Bank documents. There was no discussion at this time. No Motions were made or votes taken.

IX. Committee Reports

- a. Executive
- b. Outreach
- c. Community Improvement Committee
- d. Budget
- e. Election Chairperson (Ad Hoc)

There were no reports at this time.

X. Motion/Discussion/Vote on a possible board action to fill vacancies on the Arleta NC.

- a. Homeowner 1 Seat

- b. Business Owner 1 Seat
- c. At Large 2 Seats
- d. Seniors 2 Seats

There was no discussion at this time. No Motions were made or votes taken.

XI. Motion/Discussion/Vote on appointing a Chairperson to the Outreach Committee

There was no discussion at this time. No Motions were made or votes taken.

XII. Motion/Discuss/Vote to purchase Outreach materials including but not limited to pens, pencils and recyclable bags not to exceed \$1000.

There was no discussion at this time. No Motions were made or votes taken.

XIII. Motion/Discussion/Vote to purchase 50 emergency kits with the ANC Logo not to exceed \$4500 To be given to Arleta Stakeholders that complete an upcoming CERT training. Location and date still to be determined

There was no discussion at this time. No Motions were made or votes taken.

XIV. Board Member Comments

There were no comments at this time.

XV. General Public Comments

There were no comments at this time.

XVI. Adjournment and Next Board Meeting March 15, 2016 First Assembly of God/Kids Korner

Mr. Hernandez declared **ADJOURNMENT** at 7:17 p.m.

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