



**ARLETA NEIGHBORHOOD
COUNCIL**

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**Minutes of the Arleta Neighborhood Council
General Board Meeting
Tuesday, February 20, 2018**

President Jaime Gallo called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

Roll Call:

Board Members Present: Jaime Gallo, Margaret Shoemaker, Loyce Lacson, Gary Gallon, Drew Fischer, Guy Newell, Fernando Moreno, Raymond Duran, Joshua Duran, Kenneth Nguyen, John Hernandez, Jesse Ramos (arrived at 7:10 p.m.)

Board Members Absent Excused: Joy Bizar, Eloiza Sanchez

President's Message: President, Jaime Gallo announced the passing of Dianne Hand. Dianne was a community activist that dedicated a great deal of time to improve the quality of life in our community. She worked closely with the Arleta Neighborhood Council as well as several neighborhood watch groups. She will be greatly missed.

General Public Comments: There were none.

Comments/Announcements from Government Officials:

LAUSD Board Member, Kelly Gonez was represented by **Cara Onofre**. Ms. Onofre stated that there is a search for a new superintendent. Michelle King is retiring. She is battling cancer. There will be a Community Input Forum coming soon. It will be held in the field Office – back side of Pacoima Middle School.

Jose Galdamez, representative from the **Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (D.O.N.E.)** spoke about the nominations for accomplishments by neighborhood councils. The deadline to submit nominations is March 29, 2018. The City Clerk's new policy/guidelines were out on February 1, 2018. Elections Training will be held on March 19th in Canoga Park. Upcoming Funding and Equity workshops were announced. Bylaw amendment changes are due by April 15th.

General Public Comments:

Sarah Ramsawack, Ambassador for D.O.N.E. System, spoke about the Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC):

VANC does some training. There are 34 neighborhood councils in the San Fernando Valley. The Awards Ceremony for VANC will be held March 8, 2018 at the 15th Anniversary Mixer to be held at CBS Studios. In addition, she spoke about Budget day and the Congress of Neighborhood Councils.

L.A.P.D. – Sgt. Arocho from L.A.P.D. Mission Division announced that there will be a “Coffee with Your Senior Lead Officer” at Coco’s Bakery 13733 Roscoe Blvd. Panorama City, CA 91402. It will be held on February 27, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Senior Lead Officers Tracy Ware, Sean Smith, and Danny Ruelas will be there.

Sgt. Arocho spoke about calls to L.A.P.D. both through 911 and 877-ASK LAPD. She gave her e-mail (27267@lapd) and the Community Relations number: (818) 838-9860.

Board Business:

Motion 1/Seconded/Carried – Loyce Lacson – move to approve the ANC minutes for December 5, 2017. (Second by Gary Gallon). The motion passed with 10 yes and 1 no (John Hernandez being the no vote).

Motion 2/Seconded/Carried – John Hernandez – move to approve the ANC minutes for January 16, 2018. (Second by Loyce Lacson). The motion passed unanimously.

Motion 3/Seconded/Carried – John Hernandez – Move to approve the Monthly Treasurer’s Report (M.E.R.) for the month of November 2017. (Second by Margaret Shoemaker). The motion passed unanimously.

Motion 4/Seconded/Carried – Margaret Shoemaker – move to approve the Monthly Treasurer’s Report (M.E.R.) for January 2018. (Second by John Hernandez).

Loyce Lacson announced that she must step down from the Treasurer position. She stated that she will assist a new treasurer. There was a request for volunteers to take the ANC Treasurer position. There were no volunteers.

Motion 5/Seconded/Carried – Raymond Duran – move to approve Jesse Ramos as Chairperson of the Community Improvement Committee. (Second by Margaret Shoemaker). The motion passed unanimously.

Motion 6/Seconded/Carried – John Hernandez- move to approve an expense of up to \$500.00 to purchase a banner and other items for the ANC sponsored Town Hall Meeting to be held on March 24, 2018. (other items might include but is not limited to pens, index cards, etc.) (Second by Ray Duran). The motion passed unanimously.

ANC Board Vacancies:

President, Jaime Gallo announced that there are three vacancies on the ANC Board. He asked if anyone was interested in filling the following board seats:

School Representative Seat – There were none.

Renters Seat – There were none.

At-Large Seat – There were none.

Committee Reports:

Outreach Committee – nothing new to report at this time.

Community Improvement Committee – Jaime Gallo announced that he has been taking pictures of homeless encampments and street vendors.

Board Member Comments:

Raymond Duran stated that he has flyers for the Town Hall Meeting to be distributed.

Several board members thanked Osborne Neighborhood Church for allowing us to use their facilities and for their participation in the ANC.

Several board members thanked everyone for their attendance and participation.

Gary Gallon congratulated Jesse Ramos for his appointment as chairperson of the Community Improvement Committee.

Jaime Gallo asked that everyone help with distributing flyer for the Town Hall Meeting.

General Public Comment:

Questions were asked about the qualifications for board seats.

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.