

ARLETA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Attention: Arleta NC 9300 Laurel Cyn., 2nd Floor Arleta, CA 91331

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

President Jaime Gallo called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

Roll Call:

Board Members Present: Jaime Gallo, Margaret Shoemaker, Loyce Lacson, Gary Gallon, Raymond Duran, Joshua Duran, Kenneth Nguyen, John Hernandez, Joy Bizar, Drew Fischer (arrived at 6:38)

Board Members Absent Excused: Fernando Moreno

Board Members Absent: Guy Newell, Eloiza Sanchez, Jesse Ramos

President's Message: President, Jaime Gallo challenged board members and stakeholders to look around our community and bring suggestions for community projects to the next general board meeting.

General Public Comments: There were none.

Comments/Announcements from Government Officials:

Congressman Tony Cardenas – Senior Field Representative, Jaqueline Serrano stated that the Congressman's office is there to assist with Federal Resources and to help with Federal Agencies. Their local office is located in Panorama City at Van Nuys and Plummer. Jaqueline gave an update on HR767 – Stop, Observe, Ask, and Respond (SOAR) To Health and Wellness Act of 2017 has passed the House and is going to the Senate. This is a bill that was led by Congressman Cardenas. Medicare recipients will be getting new cards sometime in April, May, or June. The Social Security Numbers will no longer be on the cards. They will be replaced with personal identifying numbers. In addition, the Congressman's office is here to help with IRS Tax Preparation. There will be a "Congressional Art Competition open to High School students only. First Place winner will be flown to Washington D.C. for an awards ceremony and

will have their artwork displayed in the U.S. Capitol Building for 1 year. The deadline to submit artwork is April 13, 2018. An invitation to join Congressman Cardenas' Congressional Youth Advisory Council was extended. To apply, students must attend a school in the 29th Congressional District. Apply at cardenas.house.gov or call (818) 221-3718.

Council member Nury Martinez – Arleta Field Representative, Elizabeth Jimenez reported on parking restrictions which would restrict vehicles over 7 feet high or 22 feet long from parking from 2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.. She announced a community clean-up co-sponsored by CD6 and Osborne Neighborhood Church on April 22, 2018. She spoke about a F.I.T. Expo at Sharp Elementary School and Earth Day Celebration on Tuesday, April 24, 2018 from 2:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M. In addition, Elizabeth updated us on Harry Williams Way to be at Beachy and Terra Bella. The request to name the corner after Harry Williams is going to the Public Works Committee tomorrow. Elizabeth answered questions from board members and stakeholders.

Sheila Kuehl – Field Deputy/Caseworker Jessica Orellana offered stakeholders to contact her regarding any county issues. She announced two upcoming events:
Small Business Workshop on September 22, 2018 from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at the San Fernando Library 217 N. Maclay Ave. San Fernando, CA 91340
Community Disaster Preparedness Expo on Saturday, April 14, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at North Hills United Methodist Church 15435 Rayen Street North Hills, CA 91343.

Jose Galdamez, representative from the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (D.O.N.E.) spoke about the Empower L.A. Awards on March 29, 2018. He also urged the board to complete their Strategic Plan for 2018-2019. We are four months away from the end of the fiscal year. Planning 101 workshops with an emphasis in project planning will be held at various locations. Rsvp online at goo.gl/FYrDd. Jose agreed to work with Treasurer, Loyce Lacson to get paperwork submitted that the City Clerk's Office has not been able to receive due to possible computer problems at the City Clerk's Office.

Bylaw amendment changes are due by April 15th.

L.A.P.D. – Senior Lead Officer Tracy Ware from L.A.P.D. Mission Division announced an event being held this Thursday at MB2 Raceway. She distributed crime maps and gave an update on crime in the area. There was a lengthy discussion on problems in the community including the homeless. Officer Ware introduced Alvin Arzue, Deputy City Attorney assigned to Mission Station and discussion regarding the homeless continued. Several concerns were cited including mental health, drugs, and RV parking/living in our residential areas.

General Public Comments:

Representatives from PESA (Parents, Educators/Teachers & Students in Action) spoke about their organization and stated that they are applying for a Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) for assistance in funding the organization.

Board Business:

Motion 1/Seconded/Carried – Loyce Lacson – move to approve the ANC minutes for February 20, 2018. (Second by Margaret Shoemaker). The motion passed unanimously).

Motion 2/Seconded/Carried – Margaret Shoemaker – Move to approve the Monthly Treasurer's Report (M.E.R.) for the month of February 2018. (Second by Gary Gallon). The motion passed unanimously.

Motion 3/Seconded/Carried –John Hernandez – move to approve the expense of \$130.00 per month beginning November 2017 for webmaster Aaron DeVandry. (Second by Margaret Shoemaker). The motion passed unanimously.

Motion 4/Seconded/Carried – John Hernandez – move to participate and sponsor the Los Angeles Mission College San Fernando Valley Food & Wine Festival at an expense not to exceed \$3,000.00 (Second by Ray Duran). The motion passed with 8 in favor and 1 opposed. (The one opposed was from Joy Bizar).

Motion 5/Seconded/Carried – Ray Duran – move to purchase video camera and accessories to film ANC events. Cost not to exceed \$3,000.00. (Second by John Hernandez). The motion passed with 6 in favor and 2 opposed. (The two opposed were Loyce Lacson and Joy Bizar).

Motion 6/Seconded/Carried – John Hernandez – move to participate in the community cleanup co-sponsored by Osborne Neighborhood Church and CD6 on April 22, 2018 with the ANC distributing work gloves and purchasing up to \$300.00 for refreshments. (Second by Ray Duran) The motion passed unanimously.

Quorum lost at 8:15 p.m. Quorum resumed at 8:22 p.m.

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 – Mary Oberg volunteered for this seat.

Motion 7/Seconded/Carried – Margaret Shoemaker – Move to approve Mary Oberg for the At-Large Seat representative on the Arleta Neighborhood Council. (Second by Loyce Lacson). The motion passed unanimously.

Motion 8/Seconded/Carried – Loyce Lacson – move to approve the amended budget for the current fiscal year - \$7,000.00 Grant money needs to be increased to \$8,278.75 – moving money from the Community Improvement Committee. (Second by Margaret Shoemaker). The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Outreach Committee – Raymond Duran announced that we have been invited to the San Fernando Street Festival on Saturday, March 31, 2018.

In addition, Ray distributed job duties for this Saturday's Town Hall Meeting. He requested that all board members be at the event to set up at 8:00 a.m. and to wear their red ANC shirts.

Community Improvement Committee – no report.

Board Member Comments:

Several board members welcomed Mary Oberg as a new board member and thanked Osborne Neighborhood Church for allowing us to use their facilities and for their support to our community.

Drew Fischer thanked stakeholders for being here and hopes everyone comes to the Town Hall Meeting. He feels that our city officials need to hear from their constituents.

John Hernandez reminded the executive committee of the ANC bylaws regarding absences.

Loyce Lacson – There is a Coalition to Preserve LA's Free Workshop on March 25, 2018 from 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at 6500 Sunset Blvd. in Hollywood.

Loyce encouraged everyone to be aware of **Senate Bill 827** which would push 8-story LUXURY TOWERS into single-family, historic, bungalow and apartment communities from South L.A. to the SF Valley, from Boyle Heights to Venice, from East L.A. to Westwood.

And Senate Bill 743 encourages LA to let developers provide no parking, no traffic mitigation.

There is a Coalition to Preserve LA's Free Workshop on March 25, 2018 from 10:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. at 6500 Sunset Blvd. in Hollywood.

Mary Oberg thanked everyone for their welcoming remarks. She looks forward to working with the ANC for the community.

General Public Comments:

A stakeholder introduced himself and announced that there are free group exercise classes at Branford Park. "3 Wins Fitness" comes from CSUN students. He left flyers for anyone interested and stated that he will be working with our At-Large representative to get the word out.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.