



ARLETA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Attention: Arleta NC
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**Minutes of the Arleta Neighborhood Council
General Board Meeting
Tuesday, April 20, 2021**

I. Call to Order: President Raymond Duran called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

Roll Call: Members Present: Raymond Duran, Jaime Gallo (arrived at 6:40 p.m.), Margaret Shoemaker, Loyce Lacson, Jose Pumay, Gary Gallon, Jesse Ramos, Burton Hunter, Joshua Duran, Mary Oberg, Marco Valdez, Christianna Hartwell.

Board Members Absent: Jesus Torres, Jennifer Punay, Adrian Carrillo, Kenneth Nguyen

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Burton Hunter.

President's Report: President Raymond Duran spoke about the ANC elections and encouraged everyone to vote.

III. General Public Comment –

Lorena Bernal, **Council District 6**, thanked those from the ANC that participated in a recent clean-up. She gave an update on street lighting – wire theft is still a big problem. Slurry seal is continuing throughout Arleta as well as street resurfacing. Street humps will be installed on Beachy soon. There have been clean-ups at homeless encampments such as the ones at El Super and Reedley. Officer Ware is continuing to work on this. Lorena announced a listening session for the City Budget scheduled for Thursday and encouraged everyone to listen in and give suggestions. The vaccination center is back at Branford Park this week.

Michael Menjivar, L.A.U.S.D., stated that Kelly Gonez will be attending our meeting to give updates.

DONE representative, Mario Hernandez spoke about Conflict of Interest law and the importance of contacting the City Attorney's Office. Mr. Hernandez also gave an update on neighborhood council funding: May 20th is the last day to submit an event request. June 1st is the last day for check payment. June 20th is the last day to use the bank card. Neighborhood Councils are allowed to roll over up to \$10,000.00 to the next fiscal year.

Jessica Orellano, **Los Angeles County Supervisor's Office, District 3**, reported that the County has set aside vaccines for high COVID areas such as Pacoima and Arleta. For information on COVID (vaccines and re-opening) go to vaccinatelacounty.com or call 1-833-540-0473. There will be a food distribution at Brand Park in Mission Hills on May 14th. The County Office number is 818-901-3831.

Kelly Bruno, **The National Health Foundation**, announced that she will be giving a presentation at the ANC Community Improvement Committee meeting tomorrow night.

Board Business:

IV. Motion 1/Seconded/Carried – Mary Oberg – Move to approve the ANC General Board Meeting Minutes dated March 16, 2021. (Second by Burt Hunter). The motion passed unanimously.

V. Motion 2/Seconded/Carried – Mary Oberg – Move to approve the Monthly Expenditure Report (M.E.R.) for the month of March 2021. (Second by Jaime Gallo). The motion passed unanimously.

VI. Motion 3/Seconded/Carried – Gary Gallon – Move to approve amending the motion on the agenda (to purchase two Apple Computers at a cost of \$4,000.00) to approve one Apple Computer at a cost of \$2,000.00. (Second by Burt Hunter). The motion passed unanimously.

Motion 4/Seconded/Carried – Gary Gallon – move to approve up to \$2,000.00 to purchase one Apple Computer for community impact statements and other Community Improvement/Land Use Committee needs. (Second by Mary Oberg). The motion passed unanimously.

IX. Report from Budget Advocate – Budget Advocate not present.

LAUSD School Board, Distict 6 - Kelly Gonez gave updates regarding schools, staffing, and students returning to schools. All Elementary Schools and Early Education are back in school. Middle and High Schools will return next week. There have been many upgrades at our schools for safety and teachers and staff have been vaccinated. They have resumed athletics. Many school sites have been made available as vaccination sites for community members.

President Duran answered questions regarding neighborhood council elections and encouraged stakeholders to vote.

Several individuals stated that many stakeholders have had difficulty registering online; it has taken over two weeks to get a ballot once registered. It was noted that it was difficult for people that are not computer savvy to register and submit documentation online.

XIV. Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.