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UNNC Executive Committee Meeting

Tuesday, August 18, 2009
7:00 pm
Council District 10 Field Office
1819 S. Western Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90006

MINUTES

(approved 9/15/2009)

Vice President Billie Green opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Members present: Stevie Stern, Billie Green, Norman Gilmore, Wesley Todd
Members absent: None

Wesley Todd moved to approve the agenda and Stevie Stern seconded.
Agenda approved unanimously.

Public comments:

Luis South announced the “March to Save Lives” for this Saturday, the 22nd at 9:00 am from Western to Arlington.

Stevie Stern noted that the Gramercy Housing Group playground improvement project cannot be funded by UNNC because the use is private.

Billie Green said West Adams Heights-Sugar Hill block party went well.

Mason Bendewald noted that the Venice and Crenshaw Union 76 is suddenly closed and becoming rapidly blighted.

Executive Committee Business:

Mason Bendewald presented a funding request for Angelus Vista Block Club yard signs to announce meetings. The funding request is for \$420 for twelve (12) all weather lawn signs, one side in English, and one side in Spanish, with the UNNC logo added.

Angelus Vista Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month at CD10.



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MOTION: Stevie Stern moved to forward the funding request for Angelus Vista Block Club yard signs to the UNNC Governing Board; subject to additional bids being solicited, and additional evidence of neighborhood support.

Norman Gilmore seconded.

Vote: Approved unanimously.

Luis South presented a funding request from 30th Street Block Club for liability insurance for the block club "Oktoberfest Block Party for All" to be held on October 10, 2009 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The funding request is for \$281 to cover the insurance costs for the day.

Stevie Stern noted that this is the 3rd year of support for 30th St

MOTION: Stevie Stern moved to forward the funding request for the 30th Street Bock Club annual block party for \$281 of liability insurance to the UNNC Governing Board.

Wesley Todd seconded.

Vote: Approved unanimously.

Stevie Stern presented a funding request for a digital camera. The camera will be used to document UNNC sponsored events and projects. A shock resistant and waterproof camera is recommended. An Olympus Stylus Tough 8000 12 MP Digital Camera would be suitable match for requirements. The funding request is for \$400, which includes tax and shipping.

Wesley Todd moved that this funding request be forwarded to the UNNC Board.

Norman Gilmore seconded.

Vote: Approved unanimously.

Stevie Stern asked that the floor be opened for discussion regarding the \$175 spent per month for food at the monthly governing board meetings.

Committee members and other commentors noted that the meetings start at 6:30 and that many people don't have time to go home and eat and get to the meeting on time. The average cost of the food is \$7 per person. It was noted that the meeting normally runs to 9 p.m. and has run to 10 p.m. on numerous occassions. It was also noted that the food encourages community members to join us for sometimes long meetings where their input does not occur until late in the meeting. It was felt that overall the food was beneficial to the smooth functioning and harmony of board meetings.

No motion was made to forward the issue to the Governing Board for consideration.

Billie Green presented a current draft of an ad proposed for the Neighborhood News. Various suggestions were made.

Billie Green discussed board member attendance. No current issues. The executive committee restated support for the policy of asking board members to notify the chair before leaving the board meeting.



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Treasurer's Report:

Wesley presented some of the amounts remaining in various budgets. No printed summary was available.

New Business:

Gus Harris wanted to clarify the role of the Outreach committee, and discuss what sort of committee items should be coming before the Outreach committee.

Minutes:

Norman Gilmore presented the minutes of the July 21, 2009 meeting.

MOTION: Stevie Stern moved to approve the minutes. Wesley Todd seconded.

Vote: Approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Norman Gilmore
UNNC Secretary