

SANTA MONICA CANYON CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Board Minutes February 7thth, 2012

Recorded by: Marilyn Wexler

Attending: Andrew Bergman, Sara Jane Boyers, Bob Bronstein, Mike Deasy, Dawn Forrester, Judy Golden, Leslie Hope, Sharon Kilbride, Lucinda Mittleman, Isabelle Mizrahi, Chris Moore, Sanford Panitch, Reese Relfe, Ron Staake, Marilyn Wexler, Cynthia Winter, George Wolfberg

Excused: Lisa Bittan, Quentin Fleming, Elizabeth Zallian

Guests: none

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 by George Wolfberg.

Introductions:

Minutes January 2012.

Upon motion by Marilyn Wexler, the minutes from January were approved.

Treasurer's report:

Savings \$11,961.18

Checking \$ 4,056.23

\$16,017.41

Annual Meeting Planning. Content for the annual meeting was discussed at length. Inviting the local State representative candidates was one possibility. Ultimately, Chris Moore has volunteered to give a presentation on an update on the Park, with new details about potential processes to help in its rehabilitation. We are hoping that a "Save Our Park" meeting will be a draw.

Entrada Drive. George has circulated correspondence with the City of Santa Monica indicating that they are looking into the Southbound traffic back up issue. They are offering to install a beacon: "warning, stopped traffic" west of Kingman. Also, a three-way stop sign at Amalfi has been approved by LADOT for installation.

City of Los Angeles Improving School Safety program. The City has received approximately \$600,000.00 for sidewalk/safety improvements in the vicinity of Canyon School. This is separate from the LA Safe Routes program and it is to be used for improving pedestrian related infrastructure. A meeting has been called for next week to review the elements of the project.

Committee reports.

- Welcome wagon material. No new update.
- Nominating Committee. No new update.
- Newsletter: The newsletter is completed, board members folded and stamped, and they will be mailed out this week. Special thanks to those board members that wrote articles for the newsletter, to Jackie, and to Cynthia Winter for helping with the mailing list.
- ➤ Website/Social media: Discussion but no new update or progress.
- ➤ Eucalyptus Grove. Good progress this past month. The Grove is looking good. All the donated funds to date have been spent and we are spending down our "endowment" to keep the project going. Great article appeared in the Palisades Post on the project. A plea for more funds is in the newsletter and Jackie will be putting up a poster soliciting donations.
- ➤ Park project. Chris Moore gave an in depth presentation on what has been going on with the Park Improvement projects. Basically there is no money, and there have been cuts in staff. There are management problems and complicated organizational issues. Chris will try to get together a presentation for the board's next meeting, outlining possible solutions and recommendations from the PAB.

Adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Next meeting – March 13th.

