

Grass Roots Venice Neighborhood Council Executive Committee Meeting

Minutes 10-17-05

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm

Exec Com members in attendance: DeDe Audet, LJ Carusone, Richard Myers, Phil Raider
Exec Board members absent: CJ Cole, Naomi Nightingale, Yolanda Gonzalez,
Parliamentarian in attendance: Ivan Spiegel.

2. **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes of the 10-2-05 meeting were approved with out correction.
Richard Myers moved, LJ Carusone 2nd
Motion carried 3-0-1

3. **Establish Committee Policies for Ad-hoc**

The Executive Committee, after considerable input from the public and discussion among
The Committee members voted to establish the following policy as relates to ad hoc
committees.

Moved by LJ Carusone, 2nd by Phil Raider

Moved that all ad hoc committees adhere to the following guidelines;

- A. All ad hoc committees have a mission statement approved by The Executive Committee.
- B. All ad hoc committees report their minutes regularly to the Executive Committee, including committee members and meeting attendees.
- C. All ad hoc committees will have a specific period of service approved by the Executive Committee.
- D. All ad hoc committees will notice their meetings on the website no less that 24 hours prior to meeting.
- E. All ad hoc committees will have a Board member liaison assigned to their committee.
- F. All ad hoc committees, and people serving on them, are strictly advisory to The Board of the GRVNC only.

Motion carried 3-0-0

4. **Establish Ad hoc Committees**

As per input from the October 6th GRVNC Board meeting the Executive Committee and public did discuss and consider the establishment of the following ad hoc committees.

- A. Disaster Preparedness.**

David Moring presented a list of the specific ideas of what the committee would do.

Moved that the Executive Committee establish a Disaster Preparedness Committee.

Moved by Richard Myers, 2nd by LJ Carusone

Motion carried 3-0-0

B. By-laws Committee.

Phil Raider reminded the Executive Committee that at a previous meeting the following motion was voted on and approved

In clarification of Article 7, Section B of the GRVNC Bylaws, move that the Rules & Election Committee is charged to take up the responsibilities of the previous Bylaws Committee.

LJ Carusone stated that Deanna Stevenson concluded, from her reading of The GRVNC by laws, that the existing bylaws would prohibited the Bylaws Committee from being part of The Rules & Elections Committee.

Moved that we create a separate ad hoc Bylaws Committee.

LJ Carusone moved, Richard Myers 2nd. Carusone

Discussion centered on the fact that this is a big difference from what was passed at he last board meeting and that the bylaws committee is really ad hoc in its nature.

Motion carried 3-0-0

C. Education, Public Safety, Transportation, Parking & Community Building ad hoc committees.

Moved that The Executive Committee establish the following ad hoc committees: Education, Public Safety, Transportation, Parking and Community Building all of which would be subject to the established policies.

Moved by Phil Raider, 2nd by Richard Myers

Discussion centered on combining transportation and parking into one committee. LJ Carusone said his planning experience favored combing the two. Phil Raider felt that they were separate in that the parking issues would probably be focused on increasing parking and on permit parking, and that transportation would deal with mass transportation. Richard Myers suggested we ask ourselves if the same people would want to serve on both committees. **David Moring** noted that LA City had nothing to do with education and questioned the formation of an Education Committee. **Dennis Hathaway** suggested a committee to deal with homelessness. It was suggested that we deal with the current motion and add additional committees later.

Motion carried 3-0-0

D. Arts & Ocean Front Walk Ad hoc committees.

Moved that The Executive Committee establish the ad hoc Arts Committee and The Ocean Front Walk Committee which would be subject to the established policies.

Motion by LJ Carusone, 2nd by Richard Myers.

Bill Rosendahl has said that he would like The GRVNC to be involved in The OFW Ordinance issue. It was suggested that Venice Arts Council may be interested in assisting the Arts Committee.

Motion carried 3-0-0

E. Homeless Committee

Moved that The Executive Committee establish the ad hoc Committee on Homeless which would be subject to the established policies.

Moved by Richard Myers, Phil Raider 2nd

DeDe Audet would like have a symposium on homeless issues to educate folks about what the real issues are. There was discussion about the name and focus. Richard Myers offered an amendment to his motion and suggested that the committee be named The Poverty and Homeless Committee. The amendment was seconded by LJ Carusone. This idea was withdrawn when consensus was reached that while both groups faced similar challenges they ultimately have very different issues.

Motion carried 3-0-0

5. Appoint Committee Chairs

Dennis Hathaway noted that the selection of a chair for The Homeless and Education will be critical to their success.

Motion to approve David Moring as chair of The Disaster Properness Committee.

Motion to approve LJ Carusone as chair of The Bylaws Committee.

Richard Myers moved, 2nd was unintelligible

Motion carries 3-0-0

Motion to table further discussion regarding committee chairs, pending proposals from potential committee chairs, until the next Executive Committee meeting.

Richard Myers moved, Phil Raider 2nd

It was proposed that the before any additional Chairperson appointments be made that the stake holders be advised as to what committees had been formed, what the policies were and that Chairpersons were being sought.

Motion carries 3-0-0

Motion to approve Ivan Spiegel and Keith Harrison as co-parliamentarians.

Richard Myers moved, LJ Carusone 2nd

Motion carries 3-0-0

6. Announcements

Brown Act Tutorial on the 10-20-05 Board Agenda has been changed to a Board Orientation which will take place approximately one hour and a half before Special Meeting on October 20.

There is a special Board of Officers Meeting scheduled for October 20th, 2005 @ 8pm, which will follow a special Budget Committee meeting.

7. Discuss and take action on submitted requests

A. Request to appoint new LUPC Representative

The Executive Committee acknowledges receipt of communications from Jan Sproull, District 2 rep, confirming her appointment of Inge Mueller to fill her position on The LUPC.

B. Requests for standing rules for LUPC

- i. Interpretation of nominations for LUPC
- ii. No voting restriction based on proximity to project at issue.

Motion to table issues relating to standing rules be deferred to another meeting.

Richard Myers moved, Phil Raider 2nd

DeDe Audet related that Deanna Stevenson will be contacted for clarification of this issue.

Motion carries 3-0-0

8. Next Board Meeting Agenda

Discuss and draft agenda for next Board Meeting on November 15th, 2005

Motion to re-order the Board Meeting agenda as follows;

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of minutes
4. Financial Report
5. Officers Report
6. Public Comment, 20 minutes, Non agenda items
7. Committee Reports
8. Special reports
9. Consent Calendar
10. Old Business
11. New Business
12. Announcements
13. Public Comment
14. Agenda Building
15. Adjournment

Phil Raider moved, Richard Myers 2nd

Motion carries 3-0-0

The portion of The GRVNC Bylaws which speaks to the creation of The Agenda for The Board of Officers meeting was read.

Motion to table Item 7, calling for creation of the next General Board Meeting Agenda.

Richard Myers will not be available 2nd week in November so meeting should be soon. Richard Myers suggested that DeDe Audet create a draft agenda for the next meeting.

Phil Raider moved, Richard Myers 2nd

There was a long discussion as to creation, contents and timing of The Board of Officers agenda. It was suggested that tentative motions may be prepared in advance rather than being made on the fly. Proposed motions could be attached to committee reports.

This would facilitate the meeting and ensure smooth, orderly and shorter meetings

Motion carries 3-0-0

9. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 9:54 pm.