

LAKWOOD VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING MINUTES

September 4, 2018

Meeting called to order at 6:09 pm at the Long Beach Marriott Hotel

In attendance: Khalil Gharios (President), Lauren Boland (Vice President), Tania Whiteleather (Treasurer), Laura Brewer (Secretary) and David See (Government Relations Chairman). Bruce DeMille (Past President) unexcused absence

- **Secretary's Report-Laura Brewer-Approval of August 7, 2018 Executive Board of Director's Meeting Minutes**
 - Tania motioned to accept minutes as written. Loren 2nd motion. All approved. Motion passed.
- **Board member's Reports on non-agenda items under the Board's jurisdiction**
 - **Treasurer's Report-Tania Whiteleather**
 - Tania presented a "Board Resolution" signed by Khalil (President) and Laura (Secretary) stating the newly elected Board members are Lauren (Vice President) and Tania (Treasurer) and that Khalil (President) and Laura (Secretary) remain on the Executive Board. This will be presented to F and M Bank so that Tania will be given access to the Association's bank account documents as Treasurer.
- **Updates/Discussion/Action Items (Old Business)**
 - **Proposed By Law Revisions**
 - David to reword a By Law amendment so as to retain the name Lakewood Park as their own distinct neighborhood and to include this neighborhood (bounded by Del Amo Blvd, Bellflower Blvd, Arbor Ave. and Clark Ave) as members of our LVNA Association. This rewording to be presented to the Board at our next meeting.
 - There was discussion as to whether to continue to include the business districts in our association and it was determined that the by laws included them and that we would continue to honor their membership.
 - **Security Cameras**
 - David will be getting a committee together to address the issue
 - **Notices to Residents**
 - Lauren has been updating our website with a link to our email list and is using Mail Chip to monitor how many open the email and to clean up the list (ie duplicates or wrong addresses)
 - 839 have subscribed to our email list, 11 unsubscribed and 36 were cleaned. 39.6% opened the last email blast with 60.7% using their mobile device
 - There is a link from our website for those who wish to be added to our email list

- All Board members applauded Lauren in her efforts to update our Association with this much-needed technology
 - Tania suggested amending the bylaws to state how we are required to give notices to members to include not only emails but also possibly using signage at Pam Am Park. She will contact Councilwoman Stacy Mungo's office.
 - **Official Document Transfer to Association Secretary (IRS, FTB, Liability Insurance etc)**
 - Tania called and texted Past President Bruce DeMille who responded only that he was in possession of the block captain email list and would not pass this on to LVNA.
 - **LNVA Membership Fee**
 - It was noted that other neighborhood associations charge an annual fee and only those that pay are voting members
 - It was noted that the Boeing monies are not to be used to fund the expenses of running our association
 - Tania moved that we require an annual membership fee to become a voting member. Lauren 2nd
 - Lauren stated there could be multiple ways to pay ie by check and through our website
 - This amendment to our by-laws would be voted on at the next general meeting
 - Tania amended her motion to state "Active members shall pay an annual fee of \$20 for membership and voting rights. Said fee shall be paid by a date to be determined." Lauren 2nd. All approved. Motion passed.
 - **Proposed Short Term Rental Ordinance (i.e. Air B and B)**
 - David has had first hand negative experience with the City of Anaheim where he works with multiple c/o. He also recently was in Lake Tahoe where short term rentals are allowed however there are restrictions and \$1,000 fines for owner and tenant violators. David suggested we oppose the city in legalizing STRs or at least support restrictions and fines for violators.
 - Tania suggested we survey residents on our website, email list and Next Door. Tania will draft wording and Lauren to post/blast.
- **Discussion/Action Items (New Business)**
 - **Meeting with Councilwoman Stacy Mungo**
 - Laura, Lauren and David met with Stacy and discussed multiple topics
 - Partners of Parks, fundraising ideas (progressive dinner on double decker bus for a fee) were a few topics discussed
 - **Long Beach Reform Coalition-A PAC of city organizations**
 - Long Beach is proposing 4 amendments to its charter one of which (BBB) will extend term limits from 2 terms allowing write in candidates for additional terms to 3 terms and not allowing write in candidates. There was some discussion that State Law mandates that write in candidates are to be allowed.
 - The Board decided that its role is not to take positions on city politics unless it affects Lakewood Village Residents. The Board decided that it could take a role in disseminating political information.

- **Partners of Parks**
 - This is a private organization that provides services to various 501c3 organizations for an annual fee of (reportedly) \$400. Some of the benefits include liability insurance, help with city permits for events. It is not clear if organization finances are kept separate. Lauren will contact them and have a representative meet with our Board.
- **Storm Drain Inserts**
 - Lauren received an email noting that coyotes often live in storm drains during the days and that trash builds up in them
 - Some cities have inserts that allow water to drain but keep trash and animals out
 - Khalil to check with the city to see how often our storm drains are to be cleaned to prevent debris from entering the flood channel
- **Community Signs**
 - Khalil suggested possible location for Community Signs highlighting our neighborhood- **Lakewood Village**. Possible locations include Lakewood Blvd and Carson Ave, Norse Way and Carson Ave and Parkview and Carson Ave.
 - Another idea is to have a business wall mural highlighting-**Lakewood Village** and possibly allow an in-kind donation to the business for tax purposes.
- **Movie at the Park**
 - This topic was tabled for a later discussion
- **By Law Article V Section 3 (Vacancies) b**
 - “Two (2) unexcused absences shall constitute a position vacancy with the approval of the Board of Directors who has the power to reinstate and/or appoint a new member”
 - It is noted that Past President Bruce DeMille has the following unexcused absences: Executive Board Meeting (4/15/2018), Executive Board Meeting (7/8/2018), Annual Meeting (7/19/2018), and Executive Board Meeting (9/4/2018).
 - The Board has made numerous attempts to invite Bruce to attend our board meetings which he has either communicated he could not attend or has not responded (unexcused).
 - The Board at this time is announcing that the position of Past President is vacant.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm

Next LVNA Board meeting October 9, 2018 at 6pm at the Long Beach Marriott Hotel

Respectfully submitted: Laura Brewer (Secretary)

