



**MINUTES**  
**FULL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Wednesday, March 14, 2012**  
**Woodland Hills Academy, Multi-Purpose Room**  
**20800 Burbank Boulevard, Woodland Hills, CA 91367**

**Call to Order - Chair Scott Silverstein called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm**

**Pledge of Allegiance- the Pledge of Allegiance was conducted**

**Roll Call: A quorum of was established with (19) Board members present**

**Approval of the Record of Proceedings:**

Minutes of the February 8, 2012  
Vote to approve the minutes: 13Ayes            1 Abstain            5 Nays  
Minutes were adopted.

**Public Comment period:**

- a) The Walnut Acres Homeowners Association asked for the support of the Neighborhood Council as it relates to their opposition to Case # ZA-2011-2679-ELD-SPR, an Eldercare Facility proposed to be built at 6211 N. Fallbrook Ave., Woodland Hills, CA 91367.
  - b) Scott Silverstein called for a Special Meeting and a Motion to approve a \$1,000 expenditure to support the sponsorship of a Senior Symposium in partnership with One Generation and Councilman Dennis Zine’s Office.
- Motion was seconded by Bill Anderson.  
A presentation was made by supporting Tarzana NC and Sheree Adams from Zine’s office.

1<sup>st</sup> Motion: Martin Lipkin made a motion to allocate \$500.00. John Strand seconded.  
Vote: 16 Nays            2 Ayes            1 Abstain            Motion failed

2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Scott Silverstein made a motion to allocate\$1,000. Sean McCarthy seconded.  
Vote: 16Ayes            2 Nays            1 Abstain            Motion passed

**Public Announcements:**

Comments from Councilman Zine’s office  
Sheree Adams, Senior Citize Specialist - addressed budget issues and concerns related to expenditures by the Council Office. She stated that consumer fraud against the elderly is on the rise.

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## Special Presentation

A presentation was made by Ms. Gomez of the City of Los Angeles Arts and Cultural Affairs of the proposed tile mural to be created and installed on the façade of the VCC band-shell in Warner Center Park.

Comments from the Board:

Several Board members discussed a variety of concerns that the mural's subject matter does not reflect the character and history of Woodland Hills. Several Board members felt the mural was not an appropriate design to be placed on the wall of the Lou Bredlow Pavilion in Warner Center Park as the pavilion is a contemporary design and the mural, as presented, is much more traditional in design and general character.

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### 1. Organization, Operation, Policies, & Procedures:

Chair: Scott Silverstein discussed the following concerns and issues:

- Threats and intimidation from stakeholders:  
Scott advised the Board and stakeholders that we only make recommendations to the City Council and City Planning. We are not the final determining body. Therefore, the Board respectfully asks stakeholders to understand that the Board cannot and will not condone acts or direct comments to Board members that imply duress, defamation, intimidation and slander.
- Retreat discussion:  
A retreat will be scheduled in accordance with DONE's schedule.
- Press:  
Mr. Silverstein applauded the Board members who talked with the press in association with the Bascule Street Case. This was an example of "good press".
- Filling office and committee vacancies:  
Mr. Silverstein is in the process of appointing members to fill key Committee Chair positions. He invites stakeholders to apply for committee and Board positions. The stakeholders will need to meet the requirements as defined in the NC Bylaws.
- Inactive committees and members:  
Mr. Silverstein asked that all committees are active and in compliance with NC Bylaws.

Vice Chair: Pam Aronoff:

All Committee Chairs were asked to please contact Mrs. Aronoff if they need help or direction to accomplish their committee goals.

Treasurer's Report: Paul Shively:

- There will be a Budget meeting in March to discuss the 2011-2012 spend down budget.

Secretary's Report: Joyce Fletcher

- Mrs. Fletcher discussed the need for committees to develop procedures and materials to track committee activities to create more efficient meetings and transparency.

Parliamentarian: Jim Dawson

- Mr. Dawson discussed lack of decorum and/or professionalism in meetings. Please no texting, pay attention and respect the public/stakeholders who attend the meetings.

## **2. Committee Agenda Items :**

Item no. (1) Joyce Fletcher, Outreach Chair  
(12-009)

Discussion and possible action concerning the following motion: Motion to approve \$5,000 for funding outreach initiatives to be conducted from June 3, 2012 to August 26, 2012 in partnership with the Valley Cultural Center Concerts on the Green.

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Joyce Fletcher made a motion to approve \$5,000 for funding. Jim Dawson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

Board discussion: Board members put forth ideas and concerns related to the fundamental issues related to the mission, philosophy and funding of community outreach goals.

Dorothy Koetz made a motion to table to the next meeting. Sean McCarthy seconded.

Vote: 10 Ayes            9 Nays

Motion was tabled.

## **3. Committee Reports:**

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Governance Committee – TBD

Outreach Committee – Joyce Fletcher

PLUM Committee -- August Steurer:

Jonathan Krausche has resigned as a Co- Chair.

Mr. Steurer gave a general update of new cases that will come before the PLUM Committee.

Public Safety Committee -- Paul Shively, Co-Chair

Warner Center Specific Plan Citizens Advisory Committee -- Dennis DiBiase, Chair

Budget Committee -- Paul Shively, Chair

Community Services -- William Anderson, Chair

#### **4. Announcements:**

**Next Board meeting will be Wednesday, May 9, 2012** at Woodland Hills Academy, 20800 Burbank Boulevard, Woodland Hills, CA 91367 Multi-Purpose Room.

#### **Meeting dates for the rest of the academic year:**

For the upcoming 2011/ 2012 academic year the proposed Board meeting dates are:

May 9

June 13

September to June meetings are to be held at Woodland Hills Academy, Multi-Purpose Room (“MPR”), 20800 Burbank Boulevard, Woodland Hills, CA 91367 at 6:30 p.m.

July 11

August 1

July/August meetings are tentatively to be held at The Great Hall at Pierce College at 6:30 p.m.

(Date, Time, location subject to change or cancellation. Please check the [www.whcouncil.org](http://www.whcouncil.org) website)

**Adjournment of meeting: The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm**

**Minutes submitted by: Joyce Fletcher, NC Secretary**

#### **Disabilities Act Notification:**

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