



## MINUTES SPECIAL GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, April 5, 2017 – 6:30 pm  
 Platt Branch Library  
 23600 Victory Blvd., Woodland Hills, CA 91367

### AGENDA REVISED April 1, 2017

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**Committee Members:** Don Patterson – Chair, Denise DiBiase, Pat Patton, Linda Kouy-Ghadosh, Al Saur, Joyce Fletcher, Peter Fletcher, Sean McCarthy

- **Call to Order – 6:33 by Don Patterson**
- **Pledge**
- **Roll Call**
- **Public Comment: Items not on the Agenda –**  
 Sean McCarthy wanted to go on record to tell the City of LA that we want authority over any pot shops in Woodland Hills to require them to come before the Neighborhood Council for review.

### COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEMS: Items for discussion and possible vote:

1. **Added & Corrected Item:** Motion to appoint Heath Kline as Business Representative and Gilbert Yablon as Community Based Organizer representative for Area 6.

Motion by Don Patterson, Second by Joyce Fletcher.

Ayes: Don Patterson, Al Saur, Sean McCarthy, Pat Patton, Joyce Fletcher, Peter Fletcher, Dennis DiBiase, Linda Kouy-Ghadosh.

No: None

Abstain: None

2. Review of Woodland Hills Warner Center Neighborhood Council Bylaws to determine any changes to be proposed to the full Board at its April meeting. This review was prompted by an email from the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment that any changes to bylaws submitted by May 1, 2017 would be expedited.

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Joyce Fletcher proposed 3 changes to the Bylaws:

- 1) Motion by Joyce Fletcher to adopt the standing rules, second by Sean McCarthy.

Ayes: Don Patterson, Al Saur, Sean McCarthy, Pat Patton, Joyce Fletcher, Peter Fletcher, Dennis DiBiase, Linda Kouy-Ghadosh.

No: None

Abstain: None

- 2) Add alternate for At Large position.

Motion by Joyce Fletcher to modify Article 5, Section 3 D as flows, second by Don Patterson.

“In the event that an Elected Representative is absent or recuses him/herself, the Alternate for the corresponding area shall take his/her place. ~~There shall be no alternate representative for the At Large Area Representative.~~”

Ayes: Don Patterson, Al Saur, Sean McCarthy, Pat Patton, Joyce Fletcher, Peter Fletcher, Dennis DiBiase, Linda Kouy-Ghadosh.

No: None

Abstain: None

- 3) Motion by Joyce Fletcher to add the following to the beginning of Article 8, second by Peter Fletcher.

“**Reprimand:** The Council Executive Board may take action to reprimand a Broad member for actions in the course of Council business by holding an Executive meeting, writing and voting on a written reprimand. The written reprimand will be sent by certified mail to the reprimanded Board member. The written reprimand serves as a warning.”

Ayes: Don Patterson, Al Saur, Sean McCarthy, Pat Patton, Joyce Fletcher, Peter Fletcher, Dennis DiBiase, Linda Kouy-Ghadosh.

No: None

Abstain: None

Motion by Al Saur to modify Article X as follows, second by Peter Fletcher.

“A. Alternates: For each ~~area Representative alternate referred to in Article V, Section 1 above, one~~ (1) Alternate Representative shall be selected pursuant to the Elections Rules and Procedures. The Alternate Representative must attend all Board meetings of the Neighborhood Council. The Alternate Representative shall be a voting member of the Neighborhood Council at any Neighborhood Council Board meeting from which the Representative is absent and, if a Representative resigns or is removed from office, the Alternate Representative shall become the Representative for the remainder of the Representative’s elected term.”

Ayes: Don Patterson, Al Saur, Sean McCarthy, Pat Patton, Joyce Fletcher, Peter Fletcher, Dennis DiBiase, Linda Kouy-Ghadosh.

No: None

Abstain: None

The agenda may be revised prior to the meeting to add further items for discussion

Adjournment of meeting at 7:55 p.m.

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