

SOUTH BRENTWOOD RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING

Home of Marylin Krell

February 26, 2015

7:00 pm

Call to Order: Marylin Krell, president, called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

Present: Marylin Krell, Elyse Arbour, Len Blum, Andy and Jackie Raymond, and Pam Taylor. Advisory Board members present were: Laurel Davidson, Todd Nathanson, and David Nik. Also present was Public Safety and Emergency Preparation Committee member Merri Huang and Steve Billings.

Board Members Absent: Lauren Cole, Sue Hirsch, and Ray Keller.

Approval of Minutes: Marylin asked for corrections to the minutes (previously distributed) for the January 26, 2015, board meeting. There was a correction to show that the Board wished to know about liability insurance with respect to the pet valet idea. A Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as corrected. The vote was unanimously in favor with zero abstentions; therefore, the Motion passed.

Reports:

Treasurer's Report – Per Treasurer Andy Raymond: current balance in the bank account is \$4,579.33. He indicated that some dues checks were coming in.

Kenter Creek Oversight Committee –

Marylin asked for comments on the letter drafted by Ellie Pelcyger, to send to local real estate offices, asking their cooperation in educating clients on the special legal issues involved in owning property along the creek. Elyse had already reviewed several drafts with Ellie. After a long discussion, it was the sense of the meeting that the letter should be more encouraging, and focus on a spirit of cooperation. It was also suggested that the letter come from the City, and be sent to current homeowners only, registered mail. Marylin will look into that.

Public Safety and Emergency Preparation – Merri reported that the Committee had revised the form of Emergency Info sign, in accordance with the Board's suggestions. It is also available in Spanish now.

David has contacted the Roberts Group, the Wiseman company, and the Douglas Emmet company, all having large, multi-family buildings in Brentwood. He reported on his conversations with an individual at the Roberts Group.

Merri then reported on our Grant application to the LA Emergency Management Department in connection with its offer to create a customized neighborhood emergency plan. She needs to name two buildings in the neighborhood where the plan could be implemented. David offered to speak with his contact at the Roberts Group.

2015 Annual General Meeting – Elyse went over the decisions made at the recent AGM Committee Meeting. She stated that we are using a local business, Go Graphics, to do the signs and postcards and possibly the newsletter. The Board agreed with the following staffing at the meeting:

Greeters = Laurel and Jackie
Floor Manager = Debbie
Asst Floor Manager = Tsilah
Sign-In table = Pam and David
Dues payment table = Len and Todd

Land Use/Transportation – Marylin reported that she and Lauren had attended two meetings regarding the **Martin Cadillac** proposed project. Representatives from West LA, Mar Vista and Westwood attended, along with Tricia Keane from the Council office. After meeting separately with Marylin and another member from Mar Vista, Lauren created a table representing potential car trips and a possible list of Developer Agreement requests. Such requests might include parking for Expo, consideration of pedestrian safety crossing Olympic (build a bridge or underpass?), a dash bus, consideration of affordable housing for city workers and teachers, and more. A question was raised regarding what the developer can reasonably expect *by right* in a light industrial site. This will be reported at the next meeting.

Brentwood Green – Jackie reported that the playground at Brentwood Science Magnet School will be open to the public weekends and 3 day holidays. It will not be open to the public during the week after school.

Old Business – Todd said he and his office will sponsor the **pet valet project**, and they are now working with a rescue organization to get it off the ground.

New Business – The City is holding a public information meeting on March 10 that will describe the “roundabout” alternative to the current **4-way stop at Mayfield and Bundy**. At the request of the city council office, SBRA has arranged for the meeting to be held at the Tenth Church of Christ, Scientist, which has again generously offered its beautiful facility.

Marylin asked for volunteers to put together the **annual newsletter** to members. She also asked for input on publishing it twice each year and selling ad space.

Regarding the **web site**, Sue and Marylin have decided to search for a different consultant. A priority will be to add a Public Safety tab and to include Marylin’s information emails in a special location that Todd has offered to post.

Our next meeting will be on March 26 at Marylin’s house.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to bring before the Board, a Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting, and with a unanimous vote of those present, the Motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Taylor,
Secretary