

## Minutes for SBRA Board Meeting on January 18, 2023

Present: Melissa Spagnuolo, Alisa Morgenthaler, Armen Pandola, Marylin Krell, Lauren Cole, Sue Hirsch, Pam Brown, Sir Powers, Laurel Davidson, Barbara Roll, Daren Reifsneider and Daniel Borenstein

**Call to Order: 7:10 p.m. by Melissa Spagnuolo.**

### **Approval of Minutes from Board Meeting on 9/15/22**

- Alisa made a motion to approve the minutes; Armen second the motion and it was approved.

### **Approval of Minutes from AGM Meeting on 10/20/22**

- Alisa made a motion to approve the minutes; Armen second the motion and it was approved.

### **Approval of Minutes from Board Meeting on 11/17/22**

- Alisa made a motion to approve the minutes; Armen second the motion and it was approved.

### **Reports:**

- Treasurer's Report Melissa
  - \$5,391,53 in account
    - We incurred the usual expenses, including Zoom and Mail Chimp monthly fees, and received a few dues payments.
- BCC Meeting on 1/11/23 Pam B. and. Darren
  - Traci Park, the newly elected Councilwoman for LA City Council District 11, attended the meeting with several staff members.
    - Michael Amster will serve as Councilwoman Park's Field Deputy for Brentwood.
  - Taleen Keuroghlian, Field Representative, for Brad Sherman, U.S. Congressman for California's 32nd District, attended the meeting.
  - BCC will be having an event to celebrate its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Pam B. will serve on the event Committee.
  - BCC is forming a Joint Ad Hoc Committee with Pacific Palisades to address potential CUB process for retail Cannabis dispensaries. Let Alisa or BCC President Carolyn Jordan know if you would like to be part of the Committee. There are three additional potential dispensary locations planned in South Brentwood - 2 on Wilshire and 1 on Barrington South of San Vicente

- Community Safety Report

Pam B.

- Pam B. mentioned that the theft of catalytic converters in Toyota Prius automobiles remains a big problem. It is recommended that owners install a steering wheel lock (aka "The Club") and/or an ignition immobilizer to prevent theft of vehicles.
  - Barbara mentioned that owners can get their catalytic converters etched at the LAPD West Los Angeles Crime Prevention & Safety Fair which will be held at the station parking lot on 2/25/23 from 8:00 am -1:00 p.m. There will be other activities at the Fair, including inspection of children car safety seats and registration of bicycles. A flyer for the event is attached.
- Instructions on how to steal Kia and Hyundai vehicles were posted on Tik Tok. The postings have increased thefts of these vehicles.

- Organization of AGM Committee

Lauren

- Lauren will organize a meeting in February to recap the 2022 AGM and provide ideas for the 2023 AGM. She encourages all Board members to attend even if they will not be serving on the AGM Committee for 2023.

- Transportation/Parking Report

Lauren

- Lauren reported that the Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project is ongoing and that she will attend the next meeting.
- Lauren asked Board members to let her know if there is anything which she should raise at the next LADOT Community Meeting. Such meetings used to be held on a quarterly basis.
- Lauren reported that an SBRA member was interested in making parking on her block restricted to residents with parking permits. She explained that such zones require the approval of 2/3 of the residents in such zones, which she found was not feasible. She advised the member that SBRA would not be interested in the project but assisted the member by providing information on the procedure to install such a zone.
- Lauren mentioned that there is public parking available in a condo building located on Gorham just South of San Vicente Blvd. near the library. The building has a sign with a "P."

### **New Business:**

- Meetings with New Gov't Officials and/or Staff

Alisa

- Alisa reported that she; BCC President Carolyn Jordan; Thelma Waxman, Secretary, Brentwood Homeowners Assoc.; and Cori Solomon, President, Brentwood Glen Homeowners Assoc., will

be meeting with the newly elected federal and local government representatives for Brentwood. The group has already met with Councilwoman Tracy Park's staff and Congressman Brad Sherman's staff. Let Alisa know if you need the contact information for a staff member on any particular issue.

- Congressman Sherman will be having a Telephone Town Hall on 2/2/23 from 7:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. Visit [bradsherman.house.gov/townhall](https://bradsherman.house.gov/townhall) to RSVP for the Town Hall. A brochure on the Town Hall and the services Congressman's Sherman's office provides is attached.

- Establishing Meeting Day for 2023 Board Meetings Alisa
  - Alisa reported that one Board member has a conflict on the third Wednesday and polled the Board to see if the third Wednesday or the third Thursday was best. No Board member had a conflict on the third Thursday.
  - Alisa made a motion to move the date of the Board meetings from the third Wednesday to the third Thursday. The motion was seconded by Marylin, and it passed.
- Appointment of Board Member to Administer SBRA's Social Media Accounts and Marketing Alisa
  - Alisa asked if Daren would accept an appointment to take over SBRA's Facebook and Instagram accounts and she graciously agreed.

### **Member Questions and Comments**

- Pam B. mentioned that the storm drain at Montana and Bundy frequently backs up and has standing water. She has reported the situation on 311, but it has not been remedied.

Pam Brown made a motion to adjourn at 8:28 p.m. Marylin Krell seconded the motion, and it was approved.

**8:28 p.m. Adjournment**

**The next meeting is scheduled for February 16, 2023.**

# **LAPD WEST LOS ANGELES DIVISION CRIME PREVENTION & SAFETY FAIR**

**LAPD WEST LOS ANGELES AREA:  
1663 BUTLER AVE. (EAST PARKING LOT)**

**DATE: FEBRUARY 25, 2023**

**TIME: 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

**YOU MUST REGISTER FOR AN APPOINTMENT TIME FOR  
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**FOOD VENDORS WILL BE PRESENT FOR A VARIETY OF  
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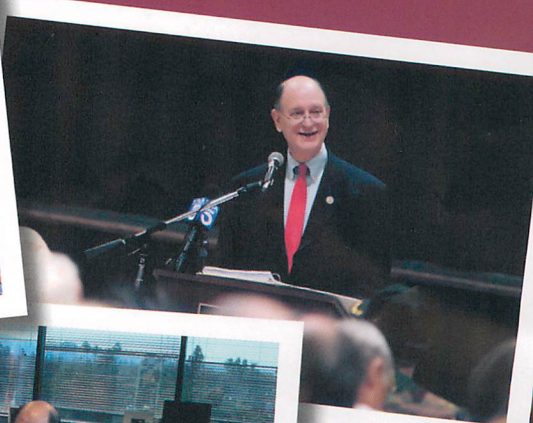
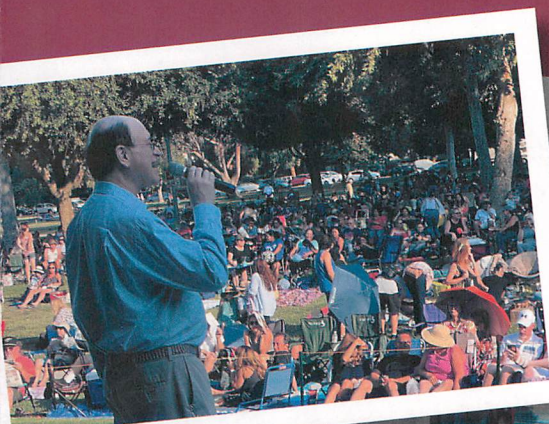




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Brad Sherman



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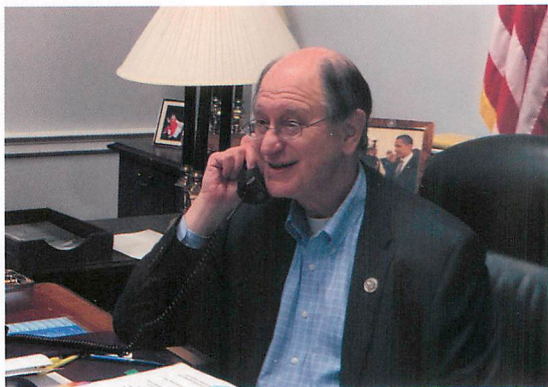


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Thursday, February 2

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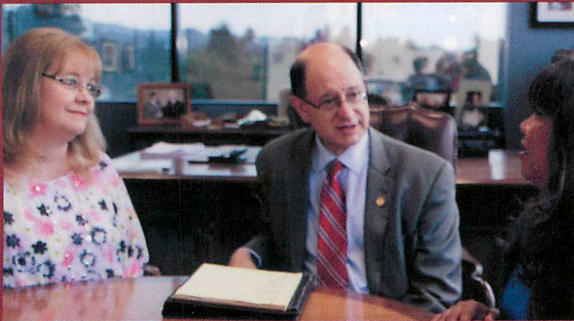
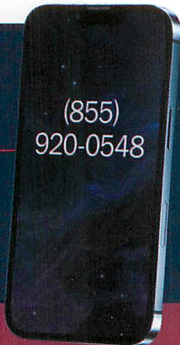


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