

SOUTH BRENTWOOD RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING

Home of Marilyn Krell

October 22, 2015

7:00 pm

Call to Order: Marilyn Krell, president, called the meeting to order at 7:20 PM.

Present: Marilyn Krell, Elyse Arbour, Len Blum, Sue Hirsch, Merri Huang, and Pam Taylor. Also present were Laurel Davidson, Jack Godwin, David Holtzman, Dr. Paul Super, and Mona Curry, Emergency Management Coordinator for the City of Los Angeles.

Board Members Absent: Lauren Cole, Todd Nathanson, David Nik, and Jackie Raymond.

Approval of Minutes: Marilyn asked for corrections to the minutes (previously distributed) for the November 19, 2015, board meeting. There were no corrections. A Motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes as corrected.

Public Safety and Emergency Preparation – Merri announced that a spokesperson for the Apartment Association of Greater Los Angeles (AAGLA) would be joining us via conference call later in the meeting. Merri gave an overview of AAGLA's public information goals. We are considering co-hosting a meeting in early spring to introduce apartment owners to SBRA and AAGLA, and to the resources available through the Los Angeles Office of Emergency Management, as well as the need for their tenants to be prepared.

Merri then introduced Mona Curry, Emergency Management Coordinator for the City of Los Angeles. Mona gave a presentation on neighborhood disaster planning and circulated materials relating to the "5 Step" program. The web site (emergency.lacity.org) includes many resources for neighborhood groups.

At this point, Art Nasta, Membership Director for AAGLA, joined the meeting by phone. A spirited question and answer session followed. After a lengthy discussion, a motion was made, seconded and passed to support a joint meeting with AAGLA on the condition that the focus of the meeting is emergency preparedness.

Reports:

Treasurer's Report – Per Treasurer Todd Nathanson: current balance in the bank account is \$3416.79 representing income of \$35 and expenses of \$13.95.

Web Site – Sue reported on the progress of the restoration of the web site.

2016 Annual General Meeting – The meeting is set for April 28, 2016. The AGM committee will meet in early January. Dr. Super offered to talk to his son about getting Peet's as a sponsor.

VA Master Plan – Jack has reviewed the Master Plan. Jack and Len will find out who is the VA's liaison with the surrounding community. We agreed that it is important to encourage the VA to preserve the community and commercial amenities on the property that are vital components of our neighborhood. UCLA appears to be negotiating with the VA to provide medical services in exchange for retaining Jackie Robinson Stadium. The Brentwood School is in negotiations to share its facilities with veterans.

Land Use/Transportation – David brought us up to date on the stop sign on Gretna Green. He is in conversation with the Mayor and will write a letter requesting removal of the stop.

New Business – Marylin asked the Board to consider nominations to the Advisory Board. We can re-activate the application on the web site. Sue and Merri will take care of that.

A new restaurant, Bottlefish, will be opening in the Daily Grill space. The operators have requested a Conditional Use Permit to sell alcohol with the hours being from 11am to 11pm Monday through Thursday, 11 am to 12 midnight Friday and Saturday, and 10 am to 10 pm Sunday. A Motion was made, seconded and passed to support the CUP request.

With respect to the property at 1116 Carmelina, Marylin noted that the owner is building two homes on the site. During the course of construction, as well as a result of neglect, protected trees have been lost or cut down. A meeting has been scheduled for the owners, neighbors and city and state representatives to review the permitting and procedures followed. Marylin and Teri Redman Kahn, BCC Environmental representative, will also attend.

Our next meeting will be on January 21, 2016 at Marylin's house.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Taylor,
Secretary