



**CITY OF  
LOS ANGELES**

# **ENCINO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

*(A CERTIFIED NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL)*

**MAIL: P. O. BOX 260439  
ENCINO, CA 91426-0439  
OFFICE: 4933 BALBOA BLVD.  
WWW.ENCINOCOUNCIL.ORG**

## **OFFICERS**

**ROB GLUSHON  
PRESIDENT**

**LAURIE KELSON  
VICE-PRESIDENT**

**JESSE WOODS  
TREASURER**

**SHELLEY RIVLIN  
SECRETARY**

**GERALD A. SILVER  
SERGEANT AT ARMS**

## **APPROVED MINUTES OF ENC EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING Monday, March 16, 2009**

The meeting of the Education Committee of the Encino Neighborhood Council was called to order by Education Committee Chair Shelley Rivlin at 6:15 p.m. on Monday, March 16, 2009. Also present were Bonnie Youngdahl, Harout Keosian, Sharon Brewer, Sandy Gilman, Frances Zamir and Jean Strauber. Excused was Hi Hand.

The reading of the committee minutes were read and approved as corrected.

Shelley asked for a motion to dispense with Roberts Rules of Order. It was so moved and passed by a voice vote of those present.

Shelley gave the members an update on the schools that have received the first round of funding. Lull is holding an Arbor Day celebration on Friday, April 24 and the committee members have been invited to attend and view the new plants purchased with by the ENC funds for their beautiful new garden.

Shelley welcomed Frances to the committee. She then reported on the Encino Chamber of Commerce's Education Committee. At the meeting there was a discussion of the Teacher of the Year luncheon on Friday, March 20, 2009. The cost is \$45 and will be held at the Marriott Hotel in Woodland Hills. Harout Keosian stated that he would attend the affair. Shelley discussed the need to obtain the names of the honorees so that they can receive certificates from the ENC commending their nomination as Teacher of the Year representing their school. It was decided that the names could be obtained from the program and the certificates would be mailed to the teachers or delivered by the Education Committee contact person. Jean will follow through with the certificates after speaking with Dax in the office.

Bonnie Youngdahl reported on the Autry Museum. Schools wishing to participate in the Autry's "All Aboard Program" must present evidence to the Museum that the school is a Title I institution. The teacher or teachers, who apply to the Autry, must sign an agreement that they will provide a full bus of students, approximately 50-55. Other information was that the funding available for bus transportation is a maximum of \$350. The teacher makes arrangements for bus transportation. The Autry tour scheduling person is Janet Jung at (323) 667-2000 ext 236. Schools scheduling tours not only have decent led tours, but also programs presented by "teachers" employed by the Autry. In addition the museum will provide special programs for

primary and upper elementary grades. Programs include "Life in the West and, she thinks, "Panning for Gold." Docent tours ranged from 3rd grade to high school juniors or seniors.

Bonnie can take 4-6 persons on a tour. She'll need to provide her Autry contact with a week's notice that she is bringing a "special" group. Bonnie informed us that she has discovered that wheelchairs are available, gratis, for those who aren't sufficiently ambulatory.

The committee voted that the date for the Education Committee visit to the Autry would be June 23, 2009. It was recommended that the group arrive around noon as that is after the children's tours would have been completed. The Chamber of Commerce Education Committee will be informed and invited at their next meeting.

Harout reported on three volunteer groups:

- 1) Operation Smile. The function of this group is to raise funds to educate children about volunteerism.
- 2) The LAZoo invites 9th-12th graders to become zoo volunteers. To find out more about the program, youngsters can go to [LAZoo.org/volunteers](http://LAZoo.org/volunteers).
- 3) The League World-Wide. This organization places volunteers in schools.

The committee then took up the upcoming grant applications by the public schools. Shelley reported that if we use DoNE's new grant process, the check could be made payable to the school which would then pay the vendor. The committee voted unanimously to retain the established budget process. Sharon Brewer recommended that the committee chair be informed as to the amount that had been allocated to the neighborhood schools. The committee voted on the following schedule. Shelley will discuss this with Jesse Woods.

May 1- All applications are due.

May 18- The regular Education Committee Meeting will meet to review and determine the winners of the grants.

May 18-27. The committee Chair will provide the ENC Finance Committee Chair with the names of the teachers and/or schools who will receive awards and provide the Finance Committee chair with the information so that at a meeting of the committee, they can approve the dispersal of the funds before the regular ENCD meeting on May 27, 2009. The winning schools will be invited to the regular ENC meeting to be presented with their awards.

May 27- The ENC Education Committee Chair will introduce the winners of the awards at the regular meeting of the ENC.

There was no public comment or board/public comment on non-agenda items.

The next meeting of the ENC Education Committee was announced to be held on Monday, April 20, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Strauber  
ENC Education Committee Secretary