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APPROVED MINUTES of ENC EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING July 20, 2009

The July 20, 2009 meeting of the Encino Neighborhood Council Education Committee was called to order by Education Committee Co-Chair Shelley Rivlin. Present were Hi Hand, Jean Strauber, Frances Zamir. Also present was Sharon Brewer. Excused was Harout Keosian. Absent was Bonnie Youngdahl.

The minutes for the April 20, 2009 and May 18, 2009 meetings were read and approved as corrected.

Shelley requested a motion that Roberts Rules of Order be suspended. Motion was made and passed by committee members.

Old Business

A. Teacher of the Year Recognition Certificates: At the April 20 meeting, the chair Harout Keosian volunteered to assume the responsibility for the ordering and mailing the recognition certificates to the Encino Chamber of Commerce Teacher of the Year honorees. As the chair was not present to provide an update, the matter was tabled.

B. Formal letters to all Spring Grant Participants: As the letters to all the participants of the Spring Grant Applications had not been mailed prior to the end of the school year, it was the consensus of the group not to mail them at this time as the school campuses were closed.

C. There was a question about what had happened to the Encino Elementary School's re-application for a grant as DoNE had rejected their initial grant application for earthquake supplies. It was reported that the new application was for school supplies. The members of the committee were informed that the chair had received it.

D. Field Trip to the Autry: Three members of the committee-Shelley, Frances and Bonnie-participated in the trip on June 23rd. The three met the woman who co-ordinates school tours. She had provided all necessary information that the committee members could share with the schools.

E. Discussion of Volunteer Programs: The consensus of the committee was the volunteer program, as presented by the chair, needs to be defined within the mission statement of the ENC, the objectives defined and an action plan devised. The committee will determine the responsibilities when the chair is present. It was also suggested that the ENC Volunteer Repres

entative and his committee be invited to a forthcoming education committee meeting.

F. The ENC Honoring School Administrators and Teachers: The consensus of the committee was that this was not a part of the ENC mission statement. The committee will continue to support the Encino Chamber of Commerce Teacher of the Year awards.

G. Board Comment on Non-Agenda items:

1. Jean proposed that the new LAUSD Board of Education member, Mr. Zimmer, be invited to address the community at an ENC meeting. Shelley stated that she would bring it to the attention of the Executive Committee and would contact Mr. Zimmer's office.

2. There was an evaluation of the causes of the lack of participation in the trip to the Autry Museum and what could be done to prevent a similar situation in the future.

It was determined that there were several factors that cause the poor attendance-some internal and some external. It was suggested that, in the future, a "point" person be named.

3. Frances presented a series of programs that the education committee could investigate to involve the community in volunteering at all the schools.

- a. The Kennedy Serve America Act-provides for a citizen army,
- b. Project Access-Senior Citizen Volunteers,
- c. Volunteer Match-Good People for a Good Cause,
- d. All for Good,
- e. Koreh LA-Reading Program,
- f. Los Angeles Public Library Volunteers

It was decided that further discussion of these and other volunteer programs would be held at the August meeting.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:

Sharon Brewer brought to the attention of the education committee that the monies for the Spring 2009 Grant Application Awards will be taken from the 2009-2010 budget rather than the 2008-2009. The committee expressed its concern and Shelley will bring it to the attention of the Executive Committee or, if appropriate, to the ENC at the July meeting.

The next meeting of the ENC Education Committee meeting will be held on Monday, August 17, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at the Encino McDonalds located at 17651 Ventura Boulevard, Encino CA.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Strauber
Recording Secretary