

ENCINO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING

August 18, 2021 Proposed Minutes

Chair Goldstein called to order at 9:01 am. Recording began.

Roll call:

Jennifer Goldstein, Committee Chair

Dana Caruso Committee

Jim Esterle, Committee

Shelley Rivlin. Committee

Pat Bates ENC Boardmember and host

Alex Garay, ENC Boardmember

Rachel Sherman (Boardmember Melvoin)

Determination of quorum and selection of the 4 voting Education Committee Members. Shelley Rivlin was appointed Secretary for the meeting.

Approval of Prior Education Committee minutes (N/A)

It was moved by Ms. Goldstein, 2nd and approved to adjust agenda to take Public Comment in order to accommodate a report from Ms. Sherman. Accepted 4 - 0. Ms. Sherman gave her report on school opening.

Action Items: Motions and Votes were taken on the following action items.

LAUSD Redistricting Commission Hearings— It was moved by Ms. Rivlin and 2nd and approved 4 - 0 to forward this statement to ENC General Board:

Talking points for LAUSD Redistricting Commission Public Hearings

Encino has been split between Districts 3 and 4 since the prior map was drawn.

Whereas being split in two raises the same issues with the school district as it does with the city and all other forms of government: it reduces our ability to act as a unified entity advocating for our kids. Instead, we are split, with one NC managing relationships across two different school board members' offices.

Whereas the aforementioned split is in no way even. One chunk of Encino belongs to District 3, an entirely Valley district. The other chunk, far smaller, belongs to District 4—which stretches over the hill across a wide swath of Los Angeles with which we have no particular relationship or connection. Critically, we are dwarfed by the dollars and voices on the other side of the hill.

Whereas our public school elementary students are assigned to Portola Middle School (Tarzana), Mulholland Middle School (Lake Balboa), Birmingham High School (Lake Balboa), and Reseda High School (Reseda).

Accordingly, we urge the Commission to create a map that keeps Encino intact, and attached to the Valley neighbors with whom we share school communities.

Neighborhood Purpose Grants (NPG)— It was moved by Ms. Rivlin & second to request additional funding to the \$5,000 recommended by ENC Finance committee as follows; Forward a request to ENC General Board Meeting for a budget of \$10,000 available for Neighborhood Purpose Grants at schools to which ENC student are assigned for fiscal year 2021-2022. Motion failed by vote 2 for, 1 opposed, 1 abstention. Mr. Esterle moved to request \$7,500 for NPG at schools to which ENC students are assigned. 2nd and adopted 4 - 0.

Mr. Esterle made a subsidiary motion to extend the meeting until 10:15 am. Carried 4 - 0.

It was moved by Ms. Goldstein to schedule monthly Education Committee on the second Wednesday from 4 pm until 6 pm to accommodate District employees, with the exception of September, to meet on Sept. 1, 2021. 2nd and adopted 4 - 0.

There being no other business on the agenda, it was moved and carried to adjourn at 10:17 am.

Submitted by Shelley Rivlin