



## UNIVERSITY CITY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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University City Community Library  
4155 Governor Drive, San Diego, CA 92122

### University City Community Association Meeting Minutes of July 12, 2017

**Present:** Barry Bernstein, President; Diane Ahern, Vice President; Barbara Gellman, Neighborhood Watch/Beautification; Merle Langston, Beautification; Karen Martinez, Secretary; Hallie Burch, Membership and Mack Langston, parliamentarian/"Improve UC" arrived at 6:41 pm.

**Excused Absent:** Valerie O'Neill, Newsletter Chair, Barbara Henshaw, Banners/Special Events;

**Unexcused Absent:** Don Hotz, Treasurer

**Community Guests:** Kristin Gaspar, County Supervisor; Corrine Busta, Kristen's representative; San Diego Police Officers Lapp (sp) & Pierre-Antoine; San Diego City Councilwoman Barbara Bry and her representative Bridger Langfur.

President Barry Bernstein called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Barry led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of agenda:** A motion to approve the agenda was made by Barbara Gellman, seconded by Hallie Burch and unanimously approved.

**Approval of minutes:** A motion to approve the June 2017 minutes was made by Hallie Burch, seconded by Merle Langston and unanimously approved.

#### **Community Guest Reports:**

**San Diego Police** Officers Lapp & Pierre-Antoine were introduced and reported that burglary incidents were down, and that the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Holiday was unusually quiet.

#### **Legislative Representatives:**

Barry introduced San Diego County Supervisor Kristin Gaspar, of District Three.

Kristen updated attendees on her priorities and her qualifications. Kristen stated that she wants to find ways to partner with the City on common goals and focus on creating opportunities for the young. Kristen and her husband have a family business with 7 office locations and a staff of 150 employees in North County (medical care). She is the mother of three children ages 11, 9 and 7. Kristen explained that she her desire to serve her community lead to her running for and being elected to the City of Encinitas' City Council. She was then served as Mayor of Encinitas. San Diego County is in charge of administering state/federal programs. Kristen introduced Corrine Busta, Kristin's community representative.

San Diego City Councilwoman Barbara Bry and her representative Bridger Langfur greeted the attendees. Barbara reported that she chaired the City budget committee, this is an honor for her during her 1<sup>st</sup> year on Council. She will be participating in the dance marathon fundraiser on August 1, she is against short term rentals and will host a community coffee get together on July 29, 2017 from 11:30- 12:30. Barbara Bry also provided an update on her views on Soccer City.

**Open Forum:**

Beth Penne; liaison for Meals on Wheels for UTC and La Jolla, stated that her office is located in the Scripps Memorial Hospital. She advised attendees that if they know of a Senior or anyone in need, to please contact them. Flyers are on the table in the back of the meeting room. There are volunteer opportunities for interested attendees.

Pia Sud commented on AirBnB short term rentals. Pia's next door neighbor's home is listed on AirBnB. She has noticed an increase in car traffic and parking and is uncertain of who is occupying the home. She has a safety concern for her children. She asked about proposed legislation, background checks and other available screening controls. She encouraged attendees to communicate their concerns to their City Council district member. And Pia mentioned a concern about traffic turning into Governor from the lot at Chase Bank opposite of Edmonton.

John Seamans introduced himself, stating that he is a drug/alcohol addiction Counselor. He stated that he teaches classes at The Betty Ford Center in Del Mar; off of Carmel Valley Road and he lives in University City. He has 30 years with Scripps and he teaches three courses for Certification to teachers/counselors on addiction. John is offering free workshops to give the public knowledge of chemical dependency. John has facilitated over 700 interventions, stating that the worst thing for families of addicts is to do nothing.

Regarding MCAS Miramar, an attendee commented that San Diego County has a great air traffic control system and that he has noticed Miramar flight path adherence improvement in last 6 months. Other attendees remarked that they are concerned over the impact of the new F35B planes that are due to arrive at Miramar and their concern that there does not seem to be the ability to have a serious dialog with Colonel Woodworth. Others were not concerned about the F-35B and felt the engine technology was better than in other aircraft. A suggestion was made to advocate compliance with existing regulations and published standard departure paths.

**PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:** Barry Bernstein reported that the annual UCCA Volunteer Recognition Day has been scheduled to take place at the University City Summer Concert Series on Sunday, August 13, 2017. There will be an informal UCCA Board of Directors gathering beforehand, at Barry's home at 3:00 pm. The next regularly scheduled UCCA public meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 6:00 pm.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Review of the June 2017 financial report has been held until Don Hotz can present it, at the next meeting in September.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

A motion was made by Mack Langston, seconded by Diane Ahern and unanimously approved to table a proposed modification to the UCCA Request for Funding Form.

**Funding request votes:**

Regarding the funding request from Del Sol Team, after discussion the UCCA Board of Directors voted not to fund the request for two reasons - we had already donated \$1000 to this organization earlier in the year; and we felt that travel expenses for this particular team did not fit in with our bylaws and statement of purpose.

Barbara Gellman requested a modification to her originally approved National Night Out fundraising event request of \$500. A motion to approve an additional NTE \$600 was made, subject to receipts being turned in, by Diane Ahern, seconded by Hallie Burch and unanimously approved.

**New Business:**

A motion was made by Barbara Gellman, seconded by Hallie Burch and unanimously approved for a \$572 expense for UCCA engraved pens, to be distributed as a thank you at the Volunteer Recognition Event.

**Funding requests submitted:**

Megan Dimaggio introduced her daughter Eva, who is a member of the University City Del Sol softball team. Megan requested that UCCA consider donating funds to help offset the Team's unexpected travel costs resulting from their successful win at the State competition. The Team landed a spot at the National competition, which is an incredible opportunity. The competition is July 31 – Aug 6, near Fresno. Del Sol Team needs help with travel expenses to compete, \$500.

**UCCA ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Banners/County Neighborhood Enhancement Grant-Diane Ahern: Celebration banners are down; Summer Concert banners have been installed. UCCA is partnering with EdUCate to design Fall/Oktoberfest banners.

National Night Out- August 1st- Barbara Gellman open to all in the community, officials have been invited.

Beautification- Merle Langston - Reviewed irrigation system repair (timer replacement) in one of the medians maintained by UCCA.

ImproveUC - Mack Langston - Mentioned of Improve UC plans to upgrade the median on Regents Road near Governor.

**Hallie Burch, representing the Membership Committee**, reported on membership numbers. Nonmembers are encouraged to support the University City Community by joining the Association. The official 2018 membership drive will begin in September.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 PM was made by Barbara Henshaw, seconded by Hallie Burch and unanimously approved.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE:** The UCCA Board will meet on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

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Karen Martinez  
Recording Secretary

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Date Approved

Approved at October 11, 2017 meeting.