



UNIVERSITY CITY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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University City Community Association Meeting Minutes of June 14, 2017

Present: Barry Bernstein, President; Diane Ahern, Vice President; Barbara Gellman, Neighborhood Watch/Beautification; Merle Langston, Beautification; Mack Langston, parliamentarian/"Improve UC"; Don Hotz, Treasurer, Karen Martinez, Secretary; Barbara Henshaw, Banners/Special Events; Hallie Burch, Membership.

Excused Absent: Valerie O'Neill, Newsletter Chair,

Unexcused Absent: None

Community Guests: San Diego Police Community Services Officer Brandon Broadus; Bridger Langfur; San Diego City councilwoman Barbara Bry's University City liaison; Corrine Busta; representative of San Diego County Supervisor Kristin Gaspar, Jennifer Sosa; representative of Congressman Scott Peters.

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

Presentation of Appreciation Plaque to UTC/Westfield: Barry Bernstein presented an Appreciation Plaque to Ryan Perry, General Manager of UTC/Westfield Shopping Center to acknowledge Westfield's corporate donation to UCCA. Mr. Perry thanked UCCA and provided a mall expansion update: Genesee Avenue will be closed Friday through Sunday for trolley/street work. Shoppers can enter the UTC mall via Nobel/Town Center Drive. October 12th is the grand opening of the mall expansion to the public. The Sears store will close in Fall 2017. The retail space will be reconfigured and renovated. There will be 8 – 10 stores with a 3rd floor added.

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

Approval of minutes: A motion to approve the May 2017 minutes was made by Hallie Burch, seconded by Barbara Henshaw and unanimously approved.

Community Guest Reports:

San Diego Police Community Services Officer Brandon Broaddus gave a brief update of the SDPD Officer who was injured in a motorcycle accident on the 805 Freeway. The officer is recuperating. He stated that you should always report anything that looks odd or unusual.

Legislative Representatives:

Bridger Langfur, representing San Diego City councilwoman Barbara Bry, thanked Barry Bernstein for representing University City at the UCPG meeting regarding the issue of Miramar plane safety. Bridger reported that the City Council's budget vote was vetoed by Mayor Faulkner. The City Council failed to overturn his veto. The next move is yet to be determined. Councilperson Bry supports Neighborhood Watch by donating one generic sign to all new neighborhood watch groups. She is also working with City Staff to install three second delays on all crosswalks to address pedestrian safety concerns.

Corrine Busta, representing Supervisor Kristin Gaspar of San Diego County district 3 stated that public hearings are to be held regarding their budget.

Jennifer Sosa, representative of Congressman Scott Peters introduced herself stating that she has been with Congressman Peters for last three years. Congressman Peters has been working with DC law enforcement to improve safety, has introduced a bill to lower the student loan interest rate to 4% and a super act bill to study pollutants. His Hype Act was just passed.

Open Forum:

Pam Stevens, Assistant Branch Librarian was introduced. She informed attendees that the Summer Reading Program starts tomorrow. For more information please log on to www.Sandiegoreadingbydesign.org.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS: Barry Bernstein reported that the UCPG meeting was held last night until 10:00 pm. UCPG safeguards University City by actively reviewing building plans, negotiating and engaging with builders and developers, etc. The organization makes approval or denial recommendations to the City.

Alexandria wants to expand its development off Campus Point. UCPG had to withdraw their conditional approval of the plans after City overruled a condition they placed upon them.

Concerns were raised with Colonel Woodworth over Miramar plane safety and noise; new F35C planes have historical safety and noise issues. Barry polled the BOD regarding support for drafting a letter on behalf of UCCA Board advising concerns have also been raised at the UCCA meetings as well. He will circulate draft to BOD for feedback before finalized.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Don Hotz distributed the end of May 2017 financial report to all directors and officers prior to the meeting. The Account Balance is \$11,707. Outstanding debt of \$2818 and \$3500 has been set aside in case the banner grant does not come through. Total net assets are \$5,388. A motion to approve the May 2017 financial report was made by Don Hotz, seconded by Diane Ahern and unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Funding request votes:

The funding request for a \$1,000 sponsorship of the UC Celebration was reviewed. A motion was made by Hallie Burch, seconded by Don Hotz and unanimously approved.

New Business:

Funding requests submitted:

A funding request of \$500 was presented for the UCCA Board's consideration for sponsorship of National Night Out Event, a Dance Marathon fundraising event, to be held at Standley Park in conjunction with Claremont and University City Neighborhood Watch Programs. The funds will be used for a DJ and publicity expenses for the dance marathon fundraiser.

UCCA Volunteer Recognition Day has been scheduled to take place at the summer concert, set for August 13, 2017.

Diane Ahern proposed an addendum to the UCCA grant form. The Board reviewed the form and requested that Mack Langston and Karen Martinez research whether a Bylaw amendment is needed.

UCCA ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

Diane Ahern, representing banners with Barbara Henshaw, announced that the partnership formed with the Standley Park Recreation Council has been stupendous. The Council has agreed to pay \$3,500 for 4th of July street banners. Also, Costa Verde has said yes.

Also, there will be a new website article submittal opportunity for businesses at a cost of \$60 per article.

Barbara Gellman, representing the Beautification Committee with Merle Langston reported:

Beautification/Transformer boxes:

Two Girl Scouts are completing a "rainbow" box on Regents Rd near Our Mother of Confidence Church to earn a silver badge for community service. They are using the Girl Scout colors and we will have a photo for the next newsletter. We provided the paint and there is no charge for the artist's labor.

Merle and I have asked Alpha Graphics if they would like to sponsor another large box in front of their business; if so, UCCA will not need to pay for this application. Scott Weathers, the owner has decided to be the sponsor for \$350.00. We will contact the artists so they can begin.

**Barbara Gellman, representing the Neighborhood Watch Committee reported:
National Night Out**

A fundraiser for the San Diego Police Foundation will be held at Standley Park on August 1, 2017: Registration 5:00, Dance Marathon begins at 5:30-7:30 PM

For registration and sponsorship information go to: sandiegoneighborhoodwatch.com
Donations will go directly to the San Diego Police Foundation who will use the funds for equipment that is most needed by our police.

Target Stores is one of the sponsors along with the Ring Video Doorbell Company
Invitations will go out to police, fire, city council, chief of police, schools, dance studios, businesses, others, everyone is invited to this community event.

A person can sign up one sponsor or more, personal or business, a business can sponsor their employees, a dance studio can sponsor their students or instructors, a fitness club can sponsor their instructors or a specific group; wear matching tee shirts with the name of the company, baseball teams, Girl Scouts, etc.

Four tables will be set up: UCCA, Neighborhood Watch, San Diego Police Foundation and Dancer Registration

Food Trucks will be set up in the parking lot and 10% of the proceeds will be donated to EdUcate.

Cathy Colclasure, a Neighborhood Watch area coordinator, has volunteered to help 4 Northern University City condominium complexes start their Neighborhood Watch programs.

Hallie Burch, representing the Membership Committee, reported that there are currently 699 members and 509 memberships. Nonmembers are encouraged to support the University City Community by joining the Association.

Don Hotz, representing Marcy Park Project, reported that a \$5,000 donation has been made by the Standley Park Recreation Council.

Mack Langston, representing Imagine UC 2020, reported that there will be an upcoming meeting, date TBD. The project is moving forward.

UCCA Newsletter Committee will meet this Friday.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM was made by Barbara Henshaw, seconded by Hallie Burch and unanimously approved.

NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE: The UCCA Board will meet on Wednesday, July 12, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Karen Martinez
Recording Secretary

Date Approved