Northridge South Neighborhood Council
Minutes
October 24, 2013

1) Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance – Chris Sales called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm. Christian Vaca led us in the flag salute.

2) Board of Directors Roll Call - Dagmar Abarghoei, Andrea Alvarado, Judi Greenberg, Margaret Landers, Sal Pelaez, Chris Sales, Jan Scott, Christian Vaca, Virginia Watts, Diane Weston-Sulka. Absent - Rob Baskerville, Donnal Poppe, Michael Savage, and Fred Youssif.

3) Approval of minutes from previous meeting – Jan Scott made a motion to accept the minutes. 2nd by Sal Pelaez. Motion approved with 9 yes votes. One board member out of room.

4) Comments by public officials -
   a) CD12 - Jessie Levine, field deputy for CD12 spoke about the 2014 Citrus Sunday event that will be held in May this year. She also told us that people are now allowed to farm on their parkways. Mitch Englander submitted a motion to Los Angeles City Council to begin a study to field test officer worn cameras. The LAPD will be reporting back to the Public Safety Commission. The City Council restricted the use of bull hooks on elephants. The City Attorney is looking into prosecuting marijuana shops and taking a harder line against them.
   b) Other public officials - none

5) Public comments – Don Larson is working on contacting Trader Joe’s about opening a store in our neighborhood where currently there is a 99 cent store. Don Larson said it will take about six months to get things moving. More will be known by the first of the year about the 99-cent store. Journalism students from CSUN came to our meeting.

6) President’s Comments – Chris Sales said that the Selans, owners of the property where plans for an elder care facility was proposed, are suing the City of Los Angeles regarding the eldercare issue. Chris Sales also spoke about the Children’s Art Fair that was held at Callahan Charter School and he thanked Andrea Alvarado for all her hard work in organizing the fair, which included food trucks, activities for children and adults. A mural was painted on a wall at the school. Tom Bramsom resigned because of time
constraints he has currently and we will be replacing him next month. The Disaster Preparedness Fair went well. People received bags with emergency supplies.

7) Old Business
   a) Budget Reconciliation Vote – Jan Scott made a motion to approve the revised August 2013 reconciliation report, 2nd by Diane Weston-Sulka. Motion passed unanimously with 9 yes votes. Jan Scott made a motion to approve the July 2013 revised reconciliation report. 2nd by Virginia Watts. Motion passed with 9 yes votes. The September forms are new. Jan Scott made a motion to approve the reconciliation report for the month of September 2013. 2nd by Dagmar Abarghoei. Motion passed with 9 votes. One board member out of room during these votes.
   b) Budget Paperwork Explanation – Jan Scott gave each board member a folder with forms to be filled out for neighborhood purpose grants.
   c) Funding Motion - for Gresham/Nordhoff Holiday Lights - - Chris Sales made a motion to fund the stings of white holiday lights to be installed on Reseda from Gresham to Nordhoff for no more than $500.00. 2nd by Andrea Alvarado. Motion passed with 9 votes.

8) New Business
   a) E-board replacement vote – Vacant board seat was offered to Jose Portillo who will be here next month.
   b) Friends of the Northridge Library – Marcy Orkin from the Friends of the Library is asking for $1200 to pay for cantilever snap in hanging wire book supports. Jan Scott made a motion to approve the funding of $1200 for the book supports. 2nd by Virginia Watts. Motion passed unanimously 9 yes votes. Judi Greenberg not in room.
   c) ZA 2013-1170 ZV 8300 Tampa parking formula variance – no show
   d) YMCA Thanksgiving Baskets – We are supporting the YMCA Thanksgiving Baskets for the second year. We will be picking up the baskets and delivering them to schools. We have donated $1000 to the YMCA.
   e) PALS Update – This year PALS is having a Halloween party during their regular time. We need to collect toys for the toy drive.

9) Reports from committee – none

10) Board member announcements – Andrea Alvarado told us about the Art Fair. There were many partners involved ie. CD12, Museum of the San Fernando Valley, NSNC, Sparkle and more. There were food trucks, and art projects.

11) Adjournment – Jan Scott made a motion to adjourn 2nd by Judi Greenberg. Motion passed with 10 yes votes at 7:54 pm.