



SUNLAND-TUJUNGA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

**General Board Meeting MINUTES
Wednesday, February 14, 2018
6:30PM
Approved**

Meeting Location:
North Valley City Hall
7747 Foothill Blvd, Tujunga, CA 91042

Board Member	Roll Call	Funding Vote Eligible*	Category	Seat
Adran, Linda	YES	YES	Representative	R2
Anderson, Amelia	NO (6:35PM)	YES	Representative	SG
Avakian, Shooshig Treasurer	YES	YES	Treasurer	T
Barron, David	NO	YES	Representative	R3
Bradley, Charlie 1 st Vice President	YES	YES	Vice President	1st
Cuddihy, Julie	YES	YES	Representative	SG
Grant, Lydia	YES	YES	Representative	R4
Hitt, Marlene	YES	YES	Representative	SG
Hussion, Janelle	YES	YES	Secretary	S
Juarez, Katherine	NO	YES	Representative	R2
Kramer, Pat	YES	YES	Representative	R1
McArdle-Potter, Pati	YES	YES	Representative	R4
Miranian, Edwin	YES	YES	Representative	SG
Orudyan, Ana	NO	YES	Representative	R1
Ramirez, Ricardo	NO	YES	Representative	R3
Seigel, Mark	NO (6:35PM)	YES	Representative	SG
Stangel, Dana 2 nd Vice President	YES	YES	Vice President	2nd
Vartzbedian, Hrant	YES	YES	Representative	SG
Von Gunten, Jon	YES	YES	Representative	SG
Vacant			Representative	SG
Vacant			Parliament	P
Vacant			President	P
TOTAL: 19	13 PRESENT, 6 ABSENT			

*Funding vote eligibility key: **A**=age less than 18 yrs.; **E**=Ethics training; **F**=Funding training; **N**=not taken; **X**=expired
** Advance notice given for absence

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance (2) Meeting was called to order by Ms. Stangel at 6:30PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. There were 60 stakeholders in attendance.

Mark Seigel arrived at 6:35PM
Amelia Anderson arrived at 6:35PM

2. Announcements (5) Ms. Stangel's opening remarks: So many people need a sense of Peace. We are here to represent you. We are volunteers and we do it because we care.

3. Event Announcements- 1 min per speaker (10)

Mark Seigel- Ham Radio Class for FCC License – 7 weeks- starts April 5, 2018

Roger Klemm- Welcome Garden 9 A.M. -12 P.M. spring cleaning, bring garden tools

If you see homeless people causing issues call 311.

Amelia Anderson- Chapel of the Hills

Kelly Hurst- Chamber hosting free fireworks. Mixer next Wednesday at Code Blue 6:00 P.M.

Linda Cerramano- Unity Meeting, to fight The High Speed Rail, at All Nations Church, February 22, 2018 6:30 P.M.

Dana Stangel- Teranga Ranch- Feb 24, 2018 Bus trip to see the Tule Elk and Learn about Herd Dynamics at The California Living Museum. Leave at 8:00 A.M. and return at 5:00. Previous trip was to see marine mammals and butterflies.

Cindy Cleghorn- VANCC Mixer and Best of Awards.

4. Public Comment on Non-Agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. (10)

Crystal Hopkins- Campaign for Way to Happiness

Pat Kramer- Collection of money for flowers at Ed Rock's Memorial.

Bob Lindsey- Candidate for Los Angeles County Sheriff, the Sheriff's Department is down 1200 Deputies and 300 Sergeants.

Sonia Tatulian- Sunland-Tujunga Business Association wants to remove someone from the Land Use Committee that she feels is hurting businesses.

Arnie Abramyan-He was asked to "stand down on his protest" wished everyone Happy Valentine's Day.

Pati Potter- Tired of the lies that she is turning in businesses

Cindy Cleghorn- Recycle LA needs to be put on a future agenda

Nina Royal-Publisher of The North Valley Reporter requests that community members can turn in events to her for the paper's calendar. She also requested help and needs writers and help delivering the paper.

Mark Seigel-Check your trash bills. The bill at his business has gone up 60%.The trash company added \$245.00 to the bill for moving the bin 12 ft. Also Zimas shows that only 4 businesses have been turned in for sign issues during the last 4 years. The Community should not believe the rumors that are being spread.

Janelle Hussion- spoke about local trash can fires. At least 6 cans have been burned.

Anna Malkhasian-Recycle LA- Rise in her monthly bill.

5. Public Official and Community Representative Announcements (20)

SLO Caloca, LAPD, Homicides: none were in Sunland-Tujunga. Theft from vehicles is a crime of opportunity. Do not leave things out and visible such as: laptops, phones, and purses. Bike thefts are ongoing. Write down or photograph all serial numbers. If the bike is stolen let the police know and give them the serial number. If it matches a bike they see the officers cannot arrest for theft but they can get them for receiving stolen property. Many car license plates are being stolen. LAPD has been setting up events where they will replace your license plate screws with anti-tamper that cannot be removed with a screw driver.

FD Eve Sinclair, Office of Councilmember Monica Rodriguez - Eve gave updates on the garden behind Finn Park. New wooden beds have been built and composting is being added. The beds are different lengths. There is also an orchard. Basic rules are: No Drinking, No Dogs. Several beds are available for lease. Contact the Council Office for rates. There will also be changes to the front of North Valley City Hall. Theodore Payne Foundation and Department of Recreation and Parks will be working on it together. The Council Office continues to work with people rebuilding after the fires. Lynn Toby asked why Monica Rodriguez had not met with their group. Eve responded that she had met with some of them. Dana reminded them of no back and forth conversation. Mark Seigel brought up the issue of the Brown waste cans for animal (horse) waste not being picked up and asked for the council office to look into it. Commercial trash haulers cannot process it.

Boardmember Lydia Grant introduced Esmeralda Marcial from School Boardmember Kelly Gonez' office. Ms. Marcial introduced LAUSD School Boardmember Kelly Gonez. Ms. Gonez gave updates on what she is currently working on and the search for the new Superintendent and is conducting meetings for community input. Ms. Gonez stated she has visited all but one of our local schools. Ms. Gonez introduced Ari Bennett who gave updates on Mt. Gleason Middle School and that the school has an interim principal. The current administration is committed to school safety and creating a positive culture on our campuses in the area. Comments from the audience:

Kaye Salazar- Wants the schools to use metal detectors.

Mark Seigel Is hoping to hear feedback on the evacuations.

FD Vickere Murphy, Office of Senator Anthony Portantino, gave updates on the services the office can provide.

A comment was made by Dana Stangel in regards to ED Rock passing away. Ed was the STNC's long-time Office Manager who we depended on with the operations of the NC.

6. PRESENTATION: Julia Dorn-Giarmoleo, Public Information Officer-U.S Small Business Administration, Office of Disaster Assistance: "Getting Disaster Help" (15) Cancelled
7. PRESENTATION: Meet the new Dean at Mission College, Madeline Hernandez. M.S. Sunland-Tujunga Campus (5) Ms. Madeline Hernandez is the new Dean of Mission College that oversees the Sunland-Tujunga Satellite. Mission College will be offering 11 sections with four of the sections having a late start. Questions from the community: Kaye Salazar asked about Verdugo students being able to take classes. Ms. Hernandez responded that they will be offering classes for the students and she will be meeting with the principal. The College will be expanding their classroom space and expanding their computer classes. The Community can contact her office to request classes.
8. PRESENTATION: Neighborhood Council NEA Vanessa Serrano, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, introduced Kyle Stone so that he could explain the current issues with the boundaries of STNC. Mr. Stone showed maps and explained the STNC boundaries need to be changed due to discrepancies in the language of the By-laws. Mr. Stone will report back with the new boundaries and the language needed to be changed in the STNC By-law.

Meeting was turned over to Mr. Bradley for Items 9 and 10

9. DISCUSSION/ACTION: STNC Code of Conduct

Public comment: John Blue-Has been active for 52 years and Codes of Conduct are used for oppression

STNC ITEM 9 Approve Code of Conduct Moved: Stangel Second: Hussion				
Yes - 15	No - 00	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible 00	Absent - 04
Adran, Anderson, Avakian, Bradley, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Miranian, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	NONE	NONE	NONE	Barron, Juarez, Orudyan, Ramirez

10. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Vice President Vacancy, two candidates Janelle Hussion and Pat Kramer

Public comment: none

STNC ITEM 10 Select Vice President Janelle Hussion Moved: Second:				
Hussion- 8	Abstain 00	Recuse 00	Absent-4	Kramer- 7
Adran, Avakian, Bradley, Cuddihy, Hussion, Miranian, Stangel, Vartzbedian,	NONE	NONE	Barron, Juarez, Orudyan, Ramirez	Anderson, Grant, Hitt, Kramer, McArdle, Seigel, Von Guten

11. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Appoint Group Representative Aaron Petersen is chair of the History Department at Verdugo Hills High School and has been a teacher for 23 years and is also the pastor of the HUB.

Public comment: none

STNC ITEM 11 Appoint Aaron Petersen to Religious Representative Moved: Bradley Second: Grant				
Yes - 15	No - 00	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible 00	Absent - 04
Adran, Anderson, Avakian, Bradley, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Miranian, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	NONE	NONE	NONE	Barron, Juarez, Orudyan, Ramirez

Mr. Petersen was sworn in by Ms. Stangel.

12. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approve \$750 for rocks to be placed in the Wild Flower Annex.

Public comment: none

STNC ITEM 12 Approve \$750 for rocks to be placed in the Wild Flower Annex Moved: Bradley Second: Grant				
Yes - 15	No - 00	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible 1	Absent - 04
Adran, Anderson, Avakian, Bradley, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Miranian, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	NONE	NONE	Petersen	Barron, Juarez, Orudyan, Ramirez

13. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approve \$400 for name badges, plates, and business cards.

Public comment: none

STNC ITEM 13 Approve \$400 for name badges, plates, and business cards Moved: Bradley Second: Grant				
Yes - 15	No - 00	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible 1	Absent - 04
Adran, Anderson, Avakian, Bradley, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Miranian, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	NONE	NONE	Petersen	Barron, Juarez, Orudyan, Ramirez

14. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approve \$1500 for golf carts for the 2018 4th of July Parade

Public comment: Jennifer Knopp addressed concerns about the streets being closed off and the barricades.

John Blue asked about using the carts for security and crowd control.

Roger Klemm stated that there are many police at the event. Balloons are also an issue at the parade.

STNC ITEM 14 Approve \$1500 for golf carts Moved: Bradley Second: Anderson				
Yes - 15	No - 00	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible 1	Absent - 04
Adran, Anderson, Avakian, Bradley, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Miranian, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	NONE	NONE	Petersen	Barron, Juarez, Orudyan, Ramirez

15. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approve letter from STARC to LADWP regarding gate and graffiti.

Public comment: none

STNC ITEM 15 Approve letter from STARC to LADWP regarding gate and graffiti Moved: Bradley Second: Hussion				
Yes - 15	No - 00	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible 1	Absent - 04
Adran, Anderson, Avakian, Bradley, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Miranian, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	NONE	NONE	Petersen	Barron, Juarez, Orudyan, Ramirez

16. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approve \$3500 NPG for Bolton Hall

Public comment: Nina Royal - Use of Facility for National Night Out

STNC ITEM 16 Approve \$3500 NPG for Bolton Hall Moved: Hitt Second: Kramer				
Yes - 12	No - 00	Abstain 3	Not Eligible 1	Absent - 04
Anderson, Bradley, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	NONE	Adran, Avakian, Miranian	Petersen	Barron, Juarez, Orudyan, Ramirez

17. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approve January MERS

Public comment: none

STNC ITEM 17 Approve January MERS Moved: Bradley Second: Vartzbedian				
Yes - 15	No - 00	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible 1	Absent - 04
Adran, Anderson, Avakian, Bradley, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Miranian, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	NONE	NONE	Petersen	Barron, Juarez, Orudyan, Ramirez

18. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approve update to STNC Budget 2017-2018

Public comment: none

STNC ITEM 18 Approve update to STNC Budget 2017-2018 Moved: Bradley Second: Hussion				
Yes - 15	No - 00	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible 1	Absent - 04
Adran, Anderson, Avakian, Bradley, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Miranian, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	NONE	NONE	Petersen	Barron, Juarez, Orudyan, Ramirez

Mr. Miranian left meeting at 9:10PM

Ms. Stangel left meeting at 9:10PM

19. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approve to appoint three CIS submitters: Dana Stangel, Jon von Gunten, and Mark Seigel

Public comment: none

STNC ITEM 19 Approve to appoint three CIS submitters Moved: Bradley Second: Hussion				
Yes - 13	No - 00	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible 1	Absent - 06
Adran, Anderson, Avakian, Bradley, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Seigel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	NONE	NONE	Petersen	Barron, Juarez, Orudyan, Miranian, Ramirez, Stangel

Mr. Von Guten left meeting at 9:30PM

20. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Land Use

Public comment: none

STNC ITEM 20a Support 8334 Foothill Blvd Sunland Restoration Moved: Bradley Second: Hussion				
Yes - 12	No - 00	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible 1	Absent - 07
Adran, Anderson, Avakian, Bradley, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Seigel, Vartzbedian	NONE	NONE	Petersen	Barron, Juarez, Orudyan, Miranian, Ramirez, Stangel, Von Guten

Ms. Cleghorn explained SB 827 (transit) Land Use Committee Meetings are the first and third Mondays at 7:00 P.M.

Public comment: Mr. Bradley, we are not a one size fits all community. We have the best Land Use Committee. They are the hardest working committee we have. They are always concise.

Mr. Seigel, everyone is welcome to come to the meetings.

STNC ITEM 20c Support L.A. City Council in opposition to Senate Bill 827 Moved: Bradley Second: Hussion				
Yes - 12	No - 00	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible 1	Absent - 07
Adran, Anderson, Avakian, Bradley, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Seigel, Vartzbedian	NONE	NONE	Petersen	Barron, Juarez, Orudyan, Miranian, Ramirez, Stangel, Von Guten

Public comment: none

STNC ITEM 20b Support 10326 Parr Ave 440 sq. ft. addition to residence Moved: Bradley Second: Grant				
Yes - 12	No - 00	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible 1	Absent - 07
Adran, Anderson, Avakian, Bradley, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Seigel, Vartzbedian,	NONE	NONE	Petersen	Barron, Juarez, Orudyan, Miranian, Ramirez, Stangel, Von Guten

Mr. Von Guten returned to the meeting 9:40PM

21. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approve updated election budget.

Public comment: none

STNC ITEM 21 Approve updated election budget Moved: Bradley Second: Hussion				
Yes - 13	No - 00	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible 1	Absent - 06
Adran, Anderson, Avakian, Bradley, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Seigel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	NONE	NONE	Petersen	Barron, Juarez, Orudyan, Miranian, Ramirez, Stangel

22. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approve January 2018 minutes

Public comment: none

STNC ITEM 22 Approve January 2018 minutes Moved: Bradley Second: Vartzbedian				
Yes - 13	No - 00	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible 1	Absent - 06
Adran, Anderson, Avakian, Bradley, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Seigel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	NONE	NONE	Petersen	Barron, Juarez, Orudyan, Miranian, Ramirez, Stangel

23. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Safe Streets Banners-Postpone

Public comment: none

STNC ITEM 23 Safe Streets Banners-Postponed				
Yes - 00	No - 00	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible -00	Absent - 00

Ad Hoc committee meeting will be held of February 27, 2018 6:30PM at the Tujunga Library

24. Neighborhood Council Board and Committee Reports

- a. Report: Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates by Rick Ramirez, Budget Advocate: North East Valley- report by Ms. Cleghorn to take the Budget Advocate survey.
- b. Report from representatives of VANC, LANCC or other NC Coalitions or Alliances- none

- c. Region & Group Representatives- none
- d. Youth Advisory Council- none
- e. Outreach- none
- f. Sunland-Tujunga Arts, Recreation and Culture Committee (STARC)- none
- g. Women Empowering Sunland-Tujunga (WEST) Committee- none
- h. Sunland-Tujunga Emergency Preparedness (STEP) Committee- Sixty-five people attended the committee's first special event. The program addressed choking and First Aid and had an Active Shooter Demonstration. We want people to remember, Run Hide Fight- Active Shooter.
- i. Education- Mount Gleason Middle School's principal has been removed by the LAUSD.
- j. Beautification- none
- k. Animal Issues Committee- none
- l. Bylaws Committee –none

25. Closing Comments, Acknowledgements, and Adjournment. (1)

Public comment: none

STNC ITEM 30 Motion to Adjourn 9:40PM Moved: Bradley Second: Hussion				
Yes - 13	No - 00	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible 1	Absent - 06
Adran, Anderson, Avakian, Bradley, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Seigel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	NONE	NONE	Petersen	Barron, Juarez, Orudyan, Miranian, Ramirez, Stangel