



## **WGNA Board Meeting Minutes**

May 28, 2015

7:00-9:30PM

Willow Glen Library – Community Room  
1157 Minnesota Ave., San Jose

**President:** Chris Roth

**1st Vice President:** Nancy Rice

**2nd Vice President:** Mayra Flores DeMarcotte

**Secretary:** Ryan Elliott

**Treasurer:** Peter Allen

**Board Members:**

Debbie Cain, Archie Moore, Matt Capaci,

Elizabeth Estensen, Samantha James

### **Minutes:**

#### Board Meeting

Attendees: Chris Roth, Ryan Elliott, Nancy Rice, Debbie Cain, Matt Capaci, Peter Allen, Mayra Flores De Marcotte, Samantha LoCurto, Elizabeth Estensen, roughly 50 members of the public

7:03 - Introductions from the Board

7:08 – Santa Clara County Supervisor Cindy Chavez introduction

- \* Hwy public safety updates; Introduce Hope Cahan
- \* Discuss county services; hospital, jail, county sherriff, district attorney
- \* Human trafficking taskforce - Sex and labor
- \* Expanding district attorney investigators; kicked off Healthy Nails campaign
- \* Youth summer jobs program - Partnering with San Jose - ~500 youths
- \* Community prosecutor partnership
- \* Cindy will send WGNA hotline #'s and information, we can help publish

7:15 - Q&A with Supervisor Chavez

- \* TABS - Truancy Abatement Program - Partnering with services
- \* VTA Sales tax - Suggestion to fill survey on where the public wants to spend - Cindy will send data to Chris
- \* Discussion @ pedestrian safety and bike safety

7:22 - Introduce key past board members and other visitors

- \* Larry Ames, Ed Rast, Richard Zappelli, Holly Barr, Valerie Merklin

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### 7:23 Secretary Report

- \* Review of meeting minutes from previous meeting
- \* There was discussion from Ed Rast re. missing information from minutes, but determined that there was nothing missing

### 7:26 - Discussion @ neighborhood association

- \* History of association
- \* How the association can communicate about meetings
- \* Discussion of how to engage more with the neighborhood

### 7:30 - Motion to approve minutes

- \* Matt moves to approve; Nancy seconds
- \* Approved

### 7:31 Treasurer's Report

- \* Checking \$2,487.00; MM - \$4,136.00
- \* Paypal
- \* \$69/Month for website/email
- \* Ryan motion to approve; Mayra second motion
- \* Treasurer's Report approved
- \* Peter abstained on votes due to not being at meeting

### 7:33 President's Report

- \* What has been done over the last year
  - \* Over last 14 months increased board members
  - \* Hosted mayoral debate
  - \* Meeting on homelessness
  - \* Lincoln Ave road diet trial discussion – There was a good deal of discussion around the road diet. The community wanted to discuss more about the diet
    - \* National Night Out
    - \* Co-sponsored Founders' Day Parade
    - \* Support Friends of Los Gatos Creek on multiple events - South Bay clean creeks coalition
      - \* Received \$1,500 CAP grant - Community action
      - \* Communications committee to help key information reach community
      - \* Accept President's Report - Peter motion to approve, second Matt second motion

### 7:38 Annual Board Election

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- \* Peter communicated process for board members
- \* We have had Email server issues, this is current email address - [wgnasocial@gmail.com](mailto:wgnasocial@gmail.com)
- \* By-laws - 5 officers, elected directed, and appointed directors, not to exceed 12 members
  - \* Board is able to appoint members during year if a position is vacated
  - \* No officer may serve more than 2 years
  - \* Nominating committee - Sub group of the entire board
  - \* Must manage finances, 501c4
  - \* Serve community, keep community informed
  - \* Takes stands on community issues - Advocate for the community, liaison between you and the government and within the neighborhood
  - \* Election Specifics
    - \* Shift of Nancy to second VP and Mayra to first VP due to term limits.
    - \* Nominating Committee – Proposes the slate
  - \* Information from Ed Rast
    - \* Believes 2 people are not valid on the slate – Nancy has been in position for more than 2 years, she is moving to second VP. Ryan has not been secretary more than 2 years, he came on as replacement for previous secretary Erik Fong who resigned April 2014.
    - \* Endorsement policy - View that there was a public endorsement for a candidate by board members and that all board members must publicly communicate whether there is an endorsement
      - \* Publicly announce – Request that the board publicly announce meetings
      - \* Nominating Committee - Needs to be elected at the annual meeting
      - \* Ed requested candidate slate process be open and transparent
        - \* Solicit new slate of candidates
      - \* Provide insight into members in good standing
    - \* Last time Richard was voted in had votes counted by Lions club, in a metal box
  - \* By-laws state that members must be current as of 6 months to vote - There was communicate which could be interpreted that you could become a member and vote tonight, if there are discrepancy with people who wanted to vote, there can be refunds
    - \* No notices on membership lapses
  - \* Can the board update the by-laws be updated to allow for additional members to vote without the 6 month record

8:26 - Open Nominating Committing discussions

Ed Rast Nominates - Ed Rast, Richard Zappelli and Larry Ames - Remove Larry -  
Withdrawn

Allen Rice to be on nominating committing - Name withdrawn

Hugh Graham to be on nominating committee

Jeff Stanley on Nominating committee

Existing: Matt Capaci, Elizabeth Estensen

Vote Yes/No for each individual

Nominating committee voting

Ed - 7 yes, 0 no

Richard - 0 yes, 0 no

Hugh - 9 yes, 0 no

Jeff - 9 yes, 0 no

8:45 - Officer Voting (with Mayra moved to 1<sup>st</sup> VP, Nancy as 2<sup>nd</sup> VP)

Anette Stelk Vote Counter

Yes - 9

No - 2

No Vote - 1

Officers and Board members voted in by the totals above.

9:10 - June 11th will be final date for Road Diet/6:30 PM/WG Middle School little theater

- \* Allen Rice discussed By-laws -
  - Article II Section II - 4th bullet down -
    - \* Suggest that WGNA endorse divisive issue
- \* Jeff Stanley- thank the board - highly affected by road diet
- \* Carrol - Traffic highly affected, businesses affected
  - \* WGNA - Why wasn't the Road Diet on the agenda
- \* Didn't have an opportunity to speak @ road diet
- \* We will post/share website @ Road diet

9:29 - Chris motion to adjourn

Matt seconded motion