Everything is the same as your proposal except that:

- 1. All Venice Stakeholders can vote for President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Land Use Chair, Communications, Outreach, their own Neighborhood area rep (get 2 votes if Oakwood or East Venice), 3 At Large officers and 1 Community Interest Officer = 12 Board members (or 13 if voter's neighborhood is Oakwood or East Venice).
- 2. Oakwood would be combined into one area, with two Board representatives, and East Venice would be combined into one area, with two Board representatives.

Answers to your numbers 1. to 6.:

- 1. Board composition is the same except that there would be two members for the Oakwood area and two members for the East Venice area.
- 2. The proposal is that all Stakeholders can vote for President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Land Use Chair, Communications, Outreach, their own Neighborhood area rep (2 if Oakwood or East Venice), 3 At Large officers and 1 Community Interest Officer = 12 (or 13 if voter's neighborhood is Oakwood or East Venice) Board members.
- 3. Your map adjusted to combine the two Oakwood areas and to combine the two East Venice areas. Renumber all, for a total of 8 areas.
- 4. Same as your proposal.
- 5. These changes will address the "divisiveness" concerns with the original proposal, as follows:

As I mentioned, diversity in representation is required by the City Charter and Neighborhood Council Implementing Ordinance. This proposal will naturally provide diversity by neighborhood area, which will also naturally provide for more of an opportunity for social, cultural, racial and economic diversity.

<u>City Charter Article IX. Sec 900. Purpose.</u> "....Neighborhood councils <u>shall include</u> representatives of <u>the many diverse interests in communities</u>..." (Emphasis added)

<u>City Ordinance 176704 for the regulations for the Citywide System of Neighborhood Councils</u>

Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) section 22.810.1.(b)(2)(C)iii.

"...the Neighborhood Council's approved by-laws...<u>shall</u> include a list of the officers of its governing body and its method for regularly electing or selecting its officers who <u>shall</u> <u>serve</u> as the governing body <u>subject to</u> the following: (1) The governing body must, to the extent possible, <u>reflect the diversity of the Neighborhood Council's community</u> <u>stakeholders</u>. No single stakeholder group may comprise a majority of the Neighborhood Council's governing body, unless approved by the Department upon a showing of extenuating circumstances." (Emphasis added)

It is clear that if we do not install some kind of neighborhood representation, we are violating the City Charter and the above-mentioned LAAC section, and we have been in violation for a very long time. It's high time to fix that.

6. Stakeholders would vote for a majority of the Board members, which addresses the desire for the stakeholders to have more say/vote for more members.

It speaks for itself, I don't think there is anything else that I would add.