



Venice Neighborhood Council

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MINUTES Budget and Finance Committee January 3, 2017

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:11 a.m. Present were Hugh Harrison [HH], George Francisco [GF], Evan White [EW], and Ivan Spiegel [IS].
2. The agenda for the meeting was approved. [EW/GF; 4-0-0]
3. The minutes for the meeting of December 6, 2016, were approved. [EW/GF; 4-0-0].
4. EW reviewed the training session on the new web site on December 19. There remains some tweaking of the site. EW is confident that the site will be up and running by the next Board meeting.
5. The expenditure reports for December 2016 were approved. [GF/EW; 4-0-0]. (Exhibits A and B).
6. There was a discussion of two funding requests. The first involved entering into a contract for creating a hot spot at Westminster Elementary for streaming Board meetings as LAUSD blocks Facebook. EW did a onetime stream using his own account which was successful with 1200 hits and approximately 150 actual viewers. EW will look into pricing alternatives so City approval can be requested. HH will submit a place holder motion for AdCom. [HH/GF; 4-0-0.]
7. GF reported on a very successful Safety Forum in Westchester. He is in preliminary talks with LAPD to do a similar event for Venice. GF will submit motion of approval in concept and submit proposal with budget next month.
8. Although City Council has approved an additional \$5000 in NC funding, the City has yet to establish rules for budgeting the funds. The discussion of allocation for VNC was deferred to the next meeting.
9. The meeting adjourned at 8:55 a.m.

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