

APPROVED
Northridge West Neighborhood Council (NWNC)
General Board Meeting (GBM) via Zoom
Tuesday, 12 April 2022

- I. Meeting Call to Order and Board Roll Call
 - President Abby Bailes called the meeting to order at 6.18PM, welcomed over five attendees, and all twelve board members.
 - A quorum was declared via the following roll call:
 - Here (12) Abigail Bailes, Brian Cathcart, Yi Ding, Kathleen Edwards, Jorge Jimenez, Janis Kraft, Jennifer Krowne, Sonny Liampetchakul, Joel Lowell, Lucio Padilla, Angelica Robinson, and Glen Wilson
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
 - Thomas Tedla from the 3rd Grade at the Beckford Charter Elementary School led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. General Public Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the board’s subject matter jurisdiction
 - Stakeholder Deborah Tucker asked about agenda item number IX.d concerning neighborhood watch signage. This portion of the meeting is dedicated to “non-agenda items”. Neighborhood watch signage was discussed during its agendized discussion.
- IV. Announcements
 - Jennifer expressed concern about the traffic lights near the Beckford Avenue Elementary School at 19130 Tulsa Street and Nobel Charter Middle School at 9950 Tampa Avenue. Perhaps these traffic lights could be timed differently during school arrival in the morning and dismissal in the afternoon? Kathleen mentioned that this request was submitted to CD12.
 - Sonny mentioned that the San Fernando Valley Rescue Mission would hold an open house at 8756 Canby Avenue.
 - Abby added that there has been a concern about copper theft throughout the community.
- V. Certificates of Acknowledgement
 - The NWNC recognized Mark Hovater for his contributions to the community. Mark can regularly be found at community events, such as parades, festivals, park clean ups, grand openings, and the recent Chatsworth Block Festival. He is always behind the scenes creating videos, interviewing people, and capturing footage of events. He shares these videos with his neighbors and helps keep everyone informed about what is happening. Recently, Mark came to the NWNC Ice Cream Social and created a video featuring this event. The NWNC is grateful for his skills and willingness to share his talents with the NWNC Board and community.
- VI. Presidential Comments
 - Years ago, when Abby joined the NWNC, there was too much dissension. This past year, any dissension has disappeared with support to:
 - Supporters of Law Enforcement in Devonshire (SOLID)
 - Thanksgiving basket assemblage

- December's Granada Hills Holiday Parade
- Jill Mather's Volunteers Cleaning Communities (VCC)
- As Coach Wooden used to say, is it best to disagree without being disagreeable.

VII. Government Reports

a. Public Safety

- LAPD Senior Lead officer (SLO) Zamora reported the following:
 - She covers the area around the mall. The previous week, there were two undercover police officers within the mall when four would-be robbers attacked JC Penney. Two of the thieves were immediately taken into custody, a third was caught later that night, and the LAPD will be arresting the fourth person very soon. Other than that, their key concerns are grand theft auto, property crime, and residential burglaries (there are few aggravated assaults).
 - The newly opened Portos may attract crime, as people come from Ventura County and the Santa Clarita Valley for this nearest location (and delicious food).
 - Porter Ranch has seen an increase in burglaries; regretfully, these criminals have not yet been caught. Everyone is reminded to please close and lock your garage door. Also, please inventory the most valuable items in your home, garage, and car.
 - The LAPD works with a group of volunteers in Porter Ranch who drive city vehicles [with amber lights] around their community. The volunteers undergo a thorough background check before they are given the keys.
 - Joel expressed concern about traffic, especially the prohibited left turn from Tampa Avenue to the north entrance of Costco. Many of those who ignore this new left turn restriction live locally, have done it for years, and ignore the new signage. SLO Zamora replied that dangerous drivers have become very blatant and the valley traffic division is stretched too thin.
 - Lucio thanked the LAPD for the noticeably increased patrol at Reseda Boulevard and Chatsworth Street.
 - Brian mentioned that several local surface streets have seen their speed limits increase. Stakeholder Joy added that many streets in the valley have had their speed limits reduced, including portions of the following:

Balboa Boulevard	Reseda Boulevard	Wilbur Avenue
Bell Canyon Road	Sherman Way	Winnetka Avenue
Highland Road	Vanowen Street	Woodley Avenue
Lindley Avenue	Victory Boulevard	Zelzah Avenue
Nordhoff Way		
 - Someone mentioned that a Next-Door participant is giving away "slow down" signage for folks to place on their front lawns.
 - Stakeholder Deborah Tucker urged the NWNC to get involved in reducing street speed limits and making traffic signal lights longer. She also urged folks to use Tampa and Wilbur Avenues (rather than Vanalden Avenue), which have sidewalks, with houses not facing these streets. Kathleen reminded everyone that the NWNC lacks the ability to designate speed limits and control traffic lights. This issue may be further discussed at another meeting.
 - Deborah thought it would be very helpful if the NWNC could connect more with the Neighborhood Watch groups who conduct a voluntary community patrol. She felt that

the NWNC is not in touch with their constituents and seems to be operating on a plateau somewhere.

- Someone mentioned that neighborhood watch meetings are [regretfully] scheduled on the same 2nd Tuesday as these monthly NWNC meetings.
- Stakeholder Jonathan Hales mentioned that Reseda Boulevard is undergoing bicycle lane installation from Parthenia Street to Victory Boulevard; this is especially evident near Chase Avenue. He expressed concern about emergency vehicular traffic in this area. SLO Zamora reminded everyone that their emergency vehicles are trained to go to the left, and civilian drivers (as mentioned on their driver’s license tests) are to go to the right.
- SLO Zamora reviewed the following upcoming activities:

Date	Event	Location
Saturdays	FISH of the West Valley Food Pantry	Congregational Church of Chatsworth, 20440 Lassen Street
Saturday April 23 rd	Police Activity League Supporters (PALS) Charity Poker Tournament	Greig Smith Youth Center, 8721 Wilbur Avenue
Friday April 26 th	Coffee with a Cop	Starbucks, 19301 Nordhoff Street
Saturday April 30 th	SOLID Pancake Breakfast	LAPD, 10250 Etiwanda Avenue
Saturday April 30 th	Open House	LAPD, 10250 Etiwanda Avenue
Tuesday May 17 th	Tip-a-Cop Fundraiser for Special Olympics	Claim Jumper, 9429 Tampa Avenue
Monday May 23	PALS Charity Golf Tournament	Porter Ranch Country Club, 9216 Singing Hills Drive
Saturday May 21 st	St. Baldrick’s Foundation Head Shaving for Childhood Cancer	20065 West Rinaldi Street

b. CD12 City Council Representative

- Public Safety Deputy Matt Hernandez, who also serves as the liaison for the LAPD, LAFD, and other city agencies on behalf of CD12, was unavailable to attend this evening’s meeting.
- Diana Oganessian from Assemblywoman Suzette Valladares office reported on the following two recently introduced assembly bills (AB):
 - AB2591 could exempt a nonprofit charitable organization from civil liability for an injury on its premises while providing services to a homeless individual
 - AB1788 would allow civil penalties against a hotel if one of their employees is aware of trafficking activity and failed to inform law enforcement
- Ms. Valladares supports a temporarily halt of the gas tax for six-months; this has not yet passed the legislature.

c. Other Government Departments/Agencies

- Abby added that the May NWNC meeting might include various candidates running in the June 7th primary.

d. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE); NWNC’s Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate (NEA) Joel Gonzalez reported the following

- Thursday, April 7th, Mayor Garcetti announced that city hall would reopen on Wednesday, May 4th with the city council conducting in-person meetings. Entry will require proof of

vaccination (or a recent negative test result). It is unknown when the city hall in Van Nuys will re-open.

- Neighborhood councils should again consider planning for their 2023 elections.
- Neighborhood council funding training (mandatory for treasurers, credit card holders, and signers) will be conducted on Thursday, April 21st and Tuesday, April 26th. Additional information can be found at <https://clerk.lacity.org/clerk-services/nc-funding>
- The Board of Neighborhood Commissioners continues to discuss the option of in-person meetings.
- Saturday, September 24th will be the annual Congress of Neighborhood Council via Zoom. This year’s theme is “the Future of LA”.
- As we near the end of the fiscal year, Joel presented the following deadlines

	Date	Last Day to
	Friday May 20 th	Request an event
	Wednesday June 1 st	Submit a check request
	Monday June 20 th	Process a bank card transaction

- Joel Lowell asked about the 2022/23 budget deadline. Glenn Bailey replied that the NWNC’s budget can be uploaded to the city clerk’s website on Friday, July 1st (but not before).
- Jennifer asked about the city’s mask mandate; the Department of Recreation and Parks continues this mandate.
- Stakeholders Joy and Deborah asked about NWNC board members using their cameras. Joel mentioned that there is an issue regarding safety and security issues with in-camera viewings of a board member’s home. Therefore, they are not mandatory. In addition, a board member’s camera could be “bombed”, showing something that someone would prefer not to show.
- A stakeholder asked about the NWNC budget, spending, etc. Joel added that the city clerk’s website at <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/NCFundPortal/Dashboard.html> provides that up-to-date information.

e. Budget Advocate

- Budget Advocate Glenn Bailey mentioned that the advocates hosted a town hall on Sunday, April 10th. All seven candidates for city controller were in attendance, along with over a hundred attendees representing over eighty neighborhood councils. A recording of this town hall can be found at <https://www.budgetadvocates.org/town-halls>.
- Saturday, April 30th at 10AM (ten days after Mayor Garcetti releases his budget) will be the budget advocate’s next town hall. This 90-minute meeting will focus on the mayor’s budget as a point/counterpoint conversation. They hope to have representatives from the city’s Chief Administrative Officer, Mayor Garcetti’s office, financial professionals [who do not work for the city], as well as LA Watchdog [and fellow budget advocate] Jack Humphreville from CityWatch. This meeting will also be recorded and can be viewed at <https://www.budgetadvocates.org/town-halls>
- The 2022 virtual Budget Day, with the theme “Which Way LA”, will be Saturday, June 18th beginning at 9.30AM. At 11.30AM, the advocates will meet with their respective regions to discuss city services, etc.
- The following weekend (Saturday, June 25th) the advocates will meet to discuss elections for their two-year terms. Budget advocates must have experience serving as a neighborhood council’s budget representative.
- Stakeholder Deborah asked how the community is being reached regarding the budget; how can a citizen express their opinion about the budget?

VIII. NWNC Committee Reports

- As Ding is moving away, the NWNC requires the following positions:
 - Vice President, Outreach
 - Education Committee Chairperson
- Please reach out to Ding and/or Abby is interested. This issue will be further discussed at the NWNC's May meeting.

- Beautification Committee Chair Jorge mentioned that they would have a committee meeting during the week of April 18th.
- He reported that Beautify LA has a grant available to neighborhood councils. Perhaps the previously discussed stairwell mural project could be submitted for the opportunity to acquire these funds? The grant's deadline is Wednesday, May 4th; Jorge is working on the submittal packet for this grant.

IX. New Business

- a. Introduction of applicant for vacant seat on NWNC Board
 - Bobby Cagle has a master's in social work. He recently retired after a thirty-year career as a professional social worker and moved to Northridge in August.
 - He has a strong background in corrections, early childhood education, and previously headed the LA County's Department of Children and Family Services, the USA's largest child welfare agency.
 - Since retiring, Bobby started his own consulting business and has plenty of free time to volunteer for the NWNC.
 - Kathleen asked which committee(s) would most interest Bobby. That would be Public Safety and Education, as he spent a great deal of his career with Georgia's Division of Family and Children Services.
 - Abby asked how Bobby heard about the NWNC. Although this is his first NWNC meeting, he knew of the neighborhood council system while working with the county. He appreciates this grass roots community activism.
 - As he expressed interest in the Education Committee, Angelica asked if Bobby has children. Although not a parent, he has a husband, three dogs, and a great deal of public service experience.
 - Stakeholder John Hales appreciates Bobby's background, research, and volunteerism. He urged him to attend other neighborhood council meetings and visit <https://empowerla.org> for additional information.
 - Stakeholder Deborah mentioned that she is also a natural advocate. As the stakeholders are looking for a voice, she urged Bobby to raise his hand and speak up if things do not sound right.
 - Brian and Jorge welcomed Bobby to Northridge and asked what he can bring to the NWNC regarding homelessness. Bobby has been a member of several committees in California and Georgia regarding homelessness. He has a great deal of experience with children who have aged out of the foster care system.

b. Discussion and motion to move \$3,000 from Office/Outreach Budget category into the Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) 2021-2022 Budget category

- Per the original budget, the following unspent funds were allocated for Office/Outreach:

Meals for In-Person Meetings	\$1,600
In-Person Retreat	500
Miscellaneous	900
Special Fund	1,000
Total	<u>\$4,000</u>

- \$10k, which was the rollover funds from the previous fiscal year and granted after the budget was created, were never allocated to a specific account.
- Abby Bailes made a motion to move \$3,000 from the Office/Outreach accounts to NPG; Yi Ding seconded this motion, and it failed unanimously.
- Joel Lowell made a motion to move \$2,500 from the Office/Outreach accounts to NPG; Jorge Jimenez seconded this motion, and it passed unanimously.

c. Discussion and motion to fund an NPG request up to \$2,000 for the Granada Hills Charter High School (GHCHS) Robotics Team “Robodox” for purchase of electronics, aluminum, and drive components

- Ding introduced GHCHS student Danielle Trinh and mentioned that it is important that the NWNC support STEM issues.
- Junior Danielle mentioned that there are currently 39-students in the Robodox program. 33-students represented the GHCHS at the recently won LA Regional For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology (FIRST) Robotics Competition. They now qualify for the upcoming international championship in Houston.
- Jorge explained that the Robodox team is developing a robot to manually clean up pine needles. They will build this robot [from scratch] in August, with a deadline to complete this project sometime in the autumn. They do not yet have a solid date, but the fallen pine needles become a nuisance in November.
- Stakeholder Deborah asked about NPGs, how the NWNC donates, etc. Ding and Joel explained the NPG program within the neighborhood council system.
- Danielle mentioned that they have a donation link on their website at <http://therobodox.org>
- Yi Ding made a motion to approve this \$2,000 NPG for the following:

Electronics to Power the Components and Mechanisms	\$ 800
Aluminum to Construct the Frame and Mechanisms	700
Drive Components to Allow for Drive	500
Total	<u>\$2,000</u>

- Angelica Robinson seconded this motion, and it passed.
 Aye (11) Cathcart, Ding, Edwards, Jimenez, Kraft, Krowne, Liampetchakul, Lowell, Padilla, Robinson, and Wilson
 Recused (1) Bailes (her kids attend this school)

d. Discussion and motion to spend up to \$2,500 from Community Improvement Projects (CIP) to purchase Neighborhood Watch signs to be placed in high crime areas and newly formed Neighborhood Watch groups within NWNC boundaries

- This CIP will be for twenty unbranded signs. The NWNC previously purchased signs [via the Outreach account] with the NWNC logo, but the city told them they could no longer purchase those.

- Kathleen explained that it was \$100/sign plus tax from “High Tech Signs and Banners”. These signs will be installed on existing light poles.
 - Brian and Abby wondered if we should inform those with the older, faded signs that the new signs [without the NWNC logo] are now available.
 - Jorge thanked Deborah for being so passionate and outspoken about this issue; he wanted it acknowledged that her voice was heard.
 - Deborah asked how the two signs on Blackhawk Street were placed there. She requested the following sign locations:
 - Vanalden Avenue and Chatsworth Street
 - Vanalden Avenue and Devonshire Street
 - Harnett Street east of Vanalden Avenue
 - Harnett Street west of Vanalden Avenue
 - Along Germaine Street
 - Germaine Street already has signs, but it is unknown when those signs were installed.
 - Kathleen replied that the new signs would be installed at the guidance of the SLOs (who can determine the highest crime areas). Deborah replied that she recently met with Captain Burns who advocated for the increased signage throughout her neighborhood.
 - Angelica asked if this \$125/sign includes removing the older signs; someone replied that the older signs would not be removed. The Neighborhood Watch groups or the Department of Transportation can remove them or leave them in place. It is unknown how many older NWNC signs have faded and may need replacement.
 - The NWNC will not be responsible for the signs posted from Neighborhood Watch groups; they will only be responsible for NWNC signs.
 - Stakeholder John Hales added that SLOs are excited about Neighborhood Watch (which is now referred to as “Cool Blocks”). They suggested that when a sign gets posted, an SLO could visit the area to explain the Neighborhood Watch system.
 - Jorge mentioned that during their meeting with Officer Parker, it was suggested to prioritize signs where no Neighborhood Watch signs existed.
 - Stakeholder Joy mentioned that there are five streets [Olympia, Kingsbury, Germain, Harnett, and Blackhawk] that come off of Vanalden Avenue, between Chatsworth and Devonshire Streets.
 - Deborah reiterated that every dollar that goes to the NWNC is our tax dollars. She thanked everyone and left the meeting with a smile on her face.
 - Abby Bailes made a motion to approve this [up to] \$2,500 CIP expenditure for Neighborhood Watch signs; Jorge Jimenez seconded this motion, and it passed unanimously.
- e. Discussion and motion to spend up to \$2,500 to purchase plants to add to the Tampa Median topiaries
- These plants will cost \$45/each, and there should be four-plants per topiary horse’s leg.
 - Sonny feared that four plants per leg could jeopardize the foundation.
 - Joel asked if the NWNC would require any authorization or permits to do this planting. Abby replied that the NWNC already has the permits.
 - Abby Bailes made a motion to approve this [up to] \$2,500 expenditure; Lucio Padilla seconded this motion, and it passed.

Aye (11)	Bailes, Cathcart, Ding, Edwards, Jimenez, Kraft, Liampetchakul, Lowell, Padilla, Robinson, and Wilson
Abstain (1)	Krowne

- f. Discussion and motion to spend up to \$1,500 to host a NWNC dual celebration of the Oakridge Park Estates Historical Monument Marker and Springtime Ice Cream Social in June 2022
- Kathleen expressed concern that we would have to secure this full event by Friday, May 20th. In addition, the park may already be booked every weekend in June.
 - Patricia LoPresti added that the Oakridge Park Estates Historical Monument Marker is for the full ten-acre park and mansion. A few events are already scheduled through June. As this marker already took 2.5 years, the NWNC may want to postpone this event until September or October (July and August could be too hot).
 - Brian suggested promoting this event with DASH, the small bus that runs from the train station throughout Northridge.
 - Abby would prefer that the NWNC pass the motion and set the date at a later time.
 - Abby Bailes made a motion to approve this [up to] \$1,500 expenditure, with the date TBD; Brian Cathcart seconded this motion, and it passed.

Aye (11)	Bailes, Cathcart, Ding, Edwards, Jimenez, Kraft, Liampetchakul, Lowell, Padilla, Robinson, and Wilson
Absent (1)	Krowne
- g. Discussion and motion to hire Urban Forestry for up to \$5,000 to complete dead tree removal and trimming in NWNC boundaries
- Jorge, Brian, and Jill Mather have noticed dead trees along Tampa Avenue. They thought they were already scheduled for removal, but [apparently] not yet.
 - Abby mentioned that Mayor Garcetti's new budget includes a great deal of city funds for urban forestry, including for the Tree People.
 - Abby Bailes made a motion to approve this [up to] \$5,000 expenditure; Joel Lowell seconded this motion, and it passed unanimously.
- h. Discussion of Outreach Budget spending of up to \$200 to purchase EZ Up tent weights and dry erase markers for use at Outreach events
- Abby Bailes made a motion to approve this [up to] \$200 expenditure; Jorge Jimenez seconded this motion, and it passed unanimously.
- i. Motion to spend up to \$400 from Office Expenses to purchase two Zoom licenses for NWNC virtual meetings
- Having two Zoom accounts is a good idea for when Abby is not available. Glenn Bailey added that these Zoom accounts could be used for more than the monthly meetings; they are useful for town halls, committee meetings, etc.
 - Glenn also mentioned that this \$200/year license is a particularly good deal. DONE's Zoom accounts (which cost \$20/month and \$240/year) are valid merely through April.
 - NEA Joel Gonzalez clarified that this would be for a one-year license, and valid from whichever month the license is purchased, for example May 1st through April 30th.
 - Abby Bailes made a motion to approve this [up to] \$400 expenditure; Angelica Robinson seconded this motion, and it passed unanimously.
- j. Discussion and motion to appoint one NWNC representative and one alternate for the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC)

- Glen Wilson is interested in continuing this position, whose meetings are held on the 1st Saturday of each month at 10AM. He votes at these meetings, independently of the NWNC.
 - Kathleen Edwards has also attended these meetings.
 - Deborah Tucker expressed concern if stakeholders could attend these meetings. As they are a coalition of neighborhood councils, this coalition is restricted to neighborhood council board members.
 - Abby Bailes made a motion for Kathleen Edwards to serve as the primary NWNC representative, and Glen Wilson as the secondary representative, to the LANCC; Kathleen Edwards seconded this motion, and it passed unanimously.
- k. Discussion and motion to nominate former NWNC Board Member, Bill Fox for a Certificate of Acknowledgement for his services to the NWNC Board and community
- Abby Bailes made a motion to present Bill Fox with a Certificate of Acknowledgement; Jorge Jimenez seconded this motion, and it passed unanimously.
- l. Update re: Draft NWNC By Laws, DONE template and possible revisions
- NEA Joel Gonzalez was unable to upload this form during the meeting; he will report back to the NWNC regarding this action.
- m. Update on ADA form and possible location(s) for in-person NWNC meetings when the city authorizes these meetings
- Kathleen reported that the NWNC received a confirmation to use the Northridge Christian Church at 18901 Chatsworth Street.
 - Brian expressed concern about the separation of church and state; Abby replied that churches have always been allowed to host neighborhood council meetings.
 - Jennifer reported that prior to this Northridge Christian Church, NWNC meetings were held at the Calahan Community Charter Elementary School at 18722 Knapp Street.
 - Stakeholder Deborah asked that all in-person meetings continue via Zoom to enable access for those unable to attend in person.
- n. Discussion re: upcoming primary elections on June 7th and possible guest speakers from local candidates for mayor, controller, assembly and/or other seats
- Abby mentioned that all board members are urged to invite candidates who may be available for the Tuesday, May 10th NWNC meeting.
- o. Update on Zoom settings and requirements from DONE EVG Empower LA Virtual Guidance
- This issue was postponed until the Executive Committee meeting.
- p. Discussion and possible motion to approve up to \$5,000 for an NPG for Parents, Educators/ Teachers, and Students in Action (PESA) Application. Funds will be used for education, mentoring, and outreach.
- PESA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Their mission is to help the community through advocacy, mentorship, and education. Their organization enhances student achievement by partnering with middle schools, high schools, community colleges and law schools. Through these partnerships, they can promote neighborhood safety, intercultural tolerance, and career education and exploration.
 - Ding reported that the NWNC's Education Committee previously approved this NPG.

- Abby and Kathleen asked that the NWNC table this issue pending documentation. Abby requested information from the applicant, yet it was never provided. Abby recalled that Mr. Amster was disrespectful at the aforementioned Education Committee meeting. Jorge and Brian asked that if this is tabled; they requested that the NWNC establish a specific date for Mr. Amster to return to the NWNC.
- Kathleen added that the LAUSD schools already have mental health counselors onsite. However, Ding mentioned that these counselors provide insufficient services to parents.
- Stakeholder Deborah expressed disappointment in the NWNC. She felt that the West Adams and United Neighborhood Councils are more organized. She wondered how [and when] Mr. Amster and PESA were vetted. Why are they this far along in the process?
- Seymour Amster from PESA attended a 90-minute meeting of the Education Committee for this grant money. He felt that a viewing of the PowerPoint presentation would have been useful. However, he received an email requesting this material merely a few hours before this evening's meeting.
- Kathleen clarified that this information was requested at the Education Committee meeting; Ding contradicted her and said that this information was not requested at that meeting.
- Jorge mentioned that the Education Committee requested their tax returns. In a review, 55% of their funds go to operational expenses, whereas merely 45% goes to the program.
- Mr. Amster reported that [currently] one out of ten children in the LAUSD receive tutoring. Social workers are not taking care of students, as they are dealing with homeless individuals and other sensitive topics.
- Abby requested that Mr. Amster provide copies of his PowerPoint presentation, but he refused. He added that all training presentations from PESA are shared with the school administrators prior to presentation to the students. He feared that if his PowerPoints were shared with the NWNC (and other neighborhood councils), they could be subject to copyright violations. If presented, he could place a copyright notice on each page. If they are released, he will deal with the legality of that issue.
- In response, Kathleen stated that Mr. Amster's presentation stated that they have a 95% success rate; she asked if that could be validated. She also requested proof that they are serving children in the NWNC community.
- Mr. Amster's brief presentation and demeanor appalled Glenn Bailey, president of the Northridge East Neighborhood Council (NENC). Glenn added that this raised a lot of red flags and showed a lack of respect for the NWNC. He reported that the NENC presented grant money to a similar organization. However, it turned out that the benefitting schools were in Downey and did nothing to benefit schools in the NENC area. Later, the LAUSD and the NENC learned that this group was not allowed to serve [or be near] the LAUSD.
- Sonny appreciates that a quality public education is available to everyone. However, even with the lottery, merely 11% goes to the schools.
- Abby Bailes made a motion to table this agenda item \$5k NPG for PESA; Kathleen Edwards seconded this motion, yet it did not pass for lack of a clear majority.

Aye (5)	Bailes, Edwards, Liampetchakul, Lowell, and Wilson
No (5)	Cathcart, Ding, Jimenez, Krowne, and Robinson
Abstain (2)	Kraft and Padilla
- Yi Ding made a motion to reconsider this agenda item \$5k NPG for PESA; Lucio Padilla seconded this motion, and it passed.

Aye (7)	Cathcart, Ding, Jimenez, Krowne, Padilla, Robinson, and Wilson
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No (4) Bailes, Edwards, Kraft, and Liampetchakul
 Abstain (1) Lowell

- Abby Bailes made a motion to have this agenda item \$5k NPG for PESA heard at the Tuesday, May 10th NWNC Board Meeting; Jennifer Krowne seconded this motion, yet it did not pass.
 - Aye (5) Bailes, Edwards, Kraft, Liampetchakul, and Robinson
 - No (7) Cathcart, Ding, Jimenez, Krowne, Lowell, Padilla, and Wilson
- Angelica Robinson made a motion to set a date [prior to Tuesday, May 10th] to establish a special meeting to review the documentation and discuss this agenda item \$5k NPG for PESA [enabling current board member, Yi Ding, to participate]; Brian Cathcart seconded this motion, and it passed.
 - Aye (7) Cathcart, Ding, Jimenez, Krowne, Lowell, Robinson, and Wilson
 - No (5) Bailes, Edwards, Kraft, Liampetchakul, and Padilla

q. Approval of the Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for March 2022 NWNC

- Treasurer Joel reviewed the following expenditures:

Date	Vendor	Description	Amount
February 16	Abby Bailes	Ice Cream Social	\$ 39.41
February 22	Nobel Middle School	NPG	2,000.00
March 2	Golden State Storage	Storage Facility	128.50
March 4	Volunteer Cleaning Communities	NPG	1,500.00
March 7	Apple One	Minute Taking	44.80
March 9	Apple One	Minute Taking	64.00
March 22	Kristina Smith/The Mail Room	February Web Hosting	250.00
		Total	<u>\$4,026.71</u>

- Joel Lowell made a motion to approve the March MER; Abby Bailes seconded this motion, and it passed.
 - Aye (11) Bailes, Cathcart, Ding, Jimenez, Kraft, Krowne, Liampetchakul, Lowell, Padilla, Robinson, and Wilson
 - Abstain (1) Edwards

r. Approval of Monthly GBM Minutes for March 2022

- Abby Bailes made a motion to approve the March minutes; Angelica Robinson seconded this motion, and it passed unanimously.

X. Adjournment

- Lucio Padilla made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10.43PM; Jennifer Krowne seconded this motion, and it passed unanimously.