Minutes for Saturday, December 3, 2016
OPA Annual General Meeting
4:00 – 6:00 PM Lula Cocina Mexicana
2720 Main Street, Santa Monica CA 90405

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT (QUORUM):
Judy Abdo, Andrew Gledhill, Patty Godon-Tann, Zachary Gaidzik, Mark Gorman, Sadat Huq, Jeff Jarow, Kate Kennedy, Jim Lawson, Mary Marlow, Evan Meyer, Mike Salazar, Roger Swanson, Dave Tann

BOARD MEMBER ABSENCES:
Jodi Summers

Meeting Called to Order at 4pm by Patty Godon-Tann, Treasurer

- As Andrew Gledhill (president) or Evan Meyer (vice-president) had not yet arrived, Patty discussed the need and process for electing new board members.

- Information was available at the membership table and disseminated by Patty Godon-Tann and Sadat Huq. Membership status was also verified.

- Mark Gorman handled the voting by handing out the ballots to all members in good standing. Ballots were collected by Mark and placed in a sealed box.

- After voting, members were invited to network with board officers, city staff members and other neighbors from the community. Refreshments were served.

- The voting continued until the meeting was adjourned at 6pm by Andrew Gledhill.

- Mark Gorman reported that 46 ballots had been cast. Results of the balloting will be announced at the next regular meeting on Monday, 12/12
Agenda for December 12, 2016 OPA General Meeting
6:30 – 9:00 PM Ocean Park Library
2601 Main Street, Santa Monica CA 90405

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
Judy Abdo, Mark Gorman, Evan Meyer, Mike Salazar, Jodi Summers, Patty Godon-Tann, Dave Tann, Zachary Gaidzik, Sadat Huq, Mary Marlow, Roger Swanson, Jeff Jarow, Kate Kennedy, Jim Lawson.

NOTICED BOARD MEMBER ABSENCES: Andrew Gledhill

6:30 to 9:00 PM: REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Call to order 6:36

1. Introduction to OPA (Evan Meyer – 2 minutes)

2. OPA Election Results (Patty Godon-Tann – 5 minutes)
   a. Mary has termed out.
   b. Mark, Iris Waskow and I counted the votes.
   c. Nothing in the bylaws say how much you need to win.
   d. We need to amend that to specific what constitutes victory.

We need something more solid on how you will decide winners.

Each candidate received more than 51% of the vote.

46 people voted. Close to 25% of the viewiership

35% had everyone yes.

Mark will you run the election.

   Mark not confortable.

   Kate – what does it take.

Nominating officers.

Mike – Andrew as president Evan as vice president.

Dave 2nded.

Mike – I voted to reduce the size of the board.

And in talking to people, we feel the board is running really well.

I stand corrected – so that’s why I make that motion.

Mary – deference to the person who is there now. It’s been customary for the president to have a 2-year term.

Roger – our preference in the past is that the president has a two-year term.

Zach – should we not vote and just vote the previsous year.

Patty – May I amend the motion – that Andrew continue and Evan continue in the vice presidency.
Kate – is this in the bylaws – or do we have to amend the system.

Patty – I vote for Andrew to be president.

Kate – I don’t think it’s clear.

Mike – it’s not meant as a slight to Evan.

Everything you wrote in the email was true. That’s why we hit the stride.

Mike – does it make more sense to vote for 1 president at a time.

Patty – We need to amend the bylaws.

Judy – Let’s have a kind of normal election where we find out how wants to run.

Mark – 2nd.

Jeff – Does anyone want to run for vice president.

Kate – I’ll do that.

Mary – do we have a nomination. Evan self nominated.

Roger – the bylaws say that east officer shall hold the position for every year. but our practice has said that we elect an officer for a two year term.

Andrew has suggested he wants to be president for another year.

Kate – I love tradition, but saying we’re doing something as to how it’s already been done.

Judy - Vote for 1 person for chair.

Sadat – Andrew deferred to Jim two years ago, so Jim could run a 3rd year.

David – last year we could vote in abstentia.

Jeff- I have to leave. I make a motion. We’re all voting for president.

Mary and Charles counted the votes.

It’s a tie.

Dave – I make a motion we vote again in January.

Mike – 2nd.

Jodi – who wants to table this to January

Judy – I make a motion we have two VPs

Mike – 2nd.

Kate – I can retract.

Majority wins.

Jodi = - Patty – tresauerr.

Zach – 2nd.

Majority.

Jim – Jodi Secretary.
Jodi - Anyone else –

Majority.

3. Membership Announcement (Sadat Huq – 3 minutes)
   a. Patty – great meeting. Thank Sadate.
   b. Sadat – our biggest event is the holiday party and the mailer.
   c. So it was good to see everyone there.
   d. Please become a member of OPA.
   e. Mary – we need email updates.
   f. Patty – you get notices from PayPal. Otherwise it’s hand input from Sadat.
   g. Sadat – we’re working on it.
   h. Mary - idon’t think we send an excessive amount of emails.
   i. Evan – we did get a new business member – so that’s eexciting.
   j. Sadat – we’ll have a more accurate account of the membership and thanks to everyone that showed up.
   k. Evan – a look of that is a strategy to bring people in to bring people to the website and oncvert them to membership.
   l. Jodi – Thank you for the updates.

4. Community Comments/The Neighborhood Voice: Introductions, Public Inquiries, Questions, Concerns (5 minutes)
   a. AnnaLisa Murphy – I’m hoping to be more involved. I don’t have any input at this time.
   b. Joe Schmidt- I’m an airport commissioner and live lnsusnet park and am interested in what xxx has to say.
   c. I am Vivian – I’m on the trasuer of FOSP.
   d. Stan Ginsberg – for the first 10 years I lived here I thought I lived on Ocean Park…a live in Sunset Park.
      i. Our big issue is sep up on 26th. There was recently a murder at step up on 2nd and its unsolved.

Roger – we’re working with Pico and Sunset Park to help with crime. Working on crime mapping. So Zina’s job will be automated.

Evan – special appreciation for Charles Andrews showing.

Zach – move to approve.

Mark – 2nd.

Motion passed.

5. Approval of Minutes from November Meeting (Jodi Summers – 2 minutes)

6. Treasurer’s Report (Patty Godon-Tann – 5 minutes)

7. Actions Taken Since Last Board Meeting (Patty Godon-Tann – 5 minutes)
8. Election of Officers (Patty Godon-Tann – 10 minutes)

9. Patty – I’ve put in for our neighborhood grant. It’s been accepted.

10. Kate – good job.

11. Our statement – November $350 for cultural affairs for utility box

12. Secretary of State $20.

13. Refreshments.

14. We took in $120.45

15. In December we took in $420 at the party – and these are people updating their membership and a few new members.

16. We spent $500 less because they thought I said $700 total instead of $700 worth of food.

17. Account $2898 – with $800 spent on the party.

18. Evan – do you know our total membership for 2016?

19. Patty – I’ll know that next month.

20. I’ll break it down.

21. Just have to file the taxes next month.

22. Zach – website issues – a bunch of minutes have just vanished. So I’m posting minutes as we speak.

23. I did cancel the parks and rec location until June.

Patty and Evan and Judy and Andrew – and we will have a new Merchant of the Month and Lula’s is our first merchant of the month. Evan – we’re going to do bit on the website.

Mike – Recently met the owners of bareburger and they have a really nice back patio, and they would like to have an event there.

Mark – DJ we hired for the library. Do you have that expense?

Patty – What expense – get me the receipt. We had that and it went quite well.

Next time it will be hot chocolate on the lawn.

Kate – to coincide with the food trucks – the objective being we are bringing people together through the organization.

How do you not take position on events?

Mike – We’re feeling our way through.

Zach – I’ve only been on the board for a year, and that discussion comes up every single time.

24. Begin Committee Reports:

• Membership (Sadat Huq – 2 minutes)

• General Plan (Mary Marlow – 3 minutes)

• Lincoln Boulevard Task Force (Roger Swanson – 3 minutes)

• Main Street Committee (Jodi Summers – 3 minutes)
• Ocean Park Infrastructure, Zoning, and Events (Judy Abdo – 3 minutes)
• Santa Monica Airport (Mike Salazar – 3 minutes)
• TeamOPA (Dave Tann – 3 minutes)
• Communications (Evan Meyer/Zach Gaidzik – 3 minutes)
• Neighborhood Art (Evan Meyer – 2 minutes)
• Parade (Jeff Jarow – 1 minute)
• Tree Committee (Andrew Gledhill – absent)

25. 7.25pm – Refreshment break

26. 7.37pm – Evan – time for our airport segment.

The benefits to the Ocean Park community of continued operations at Santa Monica Airport. For: Dave Hopkins – Ocean Park resident, business owner, aviator
Against: John Fairweather – Founder, Community Against Santa Monica Airport Traffic – 10 minutes; Questions and discussion – 10 minutes.

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A shout to my opponent.
Medical missions of airport.
There’s a lot of critical stuff that goes on. Transplant. 1,000 medical flights.
50 pet rescues.
Business aviation.
Modern well equipped airport.
4+ flight school training 500+ pilots per year.
$247m in economic activity. For every plane 8-10 direct jobs.
Disaster lifeline critical infrastructure.
Mary – what do they do in an earthquake
Dave - if the airport goes – where the jobs go is up for grabs.

5 benefits.
1. Don’t need to listen the arguments.
John Fairweather – Founder, Community Against Santa Monica Airport Traffic
2. Turning Around Airport Financial losses
3. Silicon Beach is the future
4. Eliminate Environment health noise and safety impact.
5. Biggest benefit it will be a great park.
6. Elaborate on the health effects of the soccer league.
7. Mike – one thing to keep in mind is AOPA which sponsored measure D. Parks get built where there’s space to be had.
8. Bill – Metroplex – audience – be concerned in March it reroutes the runway 21 departure over ocean park.

27. 8.00pm – Compassionate Santa Monica & Race Relations update (Zoë Muntaner – 10 minutes, plus 5 minutes for questions)

28. 8.15pm Shotgun House 1st Anniversary Celebration planning discussion – Board to discuss/decide nature of involvement.
Last weekend in January –
Patty – anyone spoken with Carol Linley
Mike – I have its one of the advocacy issues I’m on.
Patty – sponsoring liquids or a desert.
We can sponsor something or we can do something.
Evan – some representation is necessary.
Mike – schedule an offsite thing.
Jodi – I’ll help, but I’m not in town that weekend.
Judy- times as well.
Jim – is it one year or two years?
Patty – 1st year anniversary.

29. Conclude Committee Reports.
30. Meeting adjourned: 8:50.

Refreshments January. Next meeting is Monday January 9, 2016 from 7:00 – 9:00PM at Ocean Park Library