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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

JOINT HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 16, 2018

Chaminade High School, West Hills, CA

Revised April 17, 2018

Those in attendance were: Simone Best, Thomas Booth, Aida Abkarians (arrived 6:44), Sandi Bell, Marge Brown, Marie Javandi, Bonnie Klea, Olivia Naturman, Joan Trent, and Brad Vanderhoof.

Committee Co-Chair Thomas Booth called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM. A quorum was established.

The March meeting minutes were approved as amended.

Numbers refer to agenda items:

4. Simone has asked the WHNC Education Committee to look at drafting a CIS related to LAUSD's participation in the coordinated entry system. Thomas reviewed Councilmember Englander's comments and the discussion at Conversations with Councils including his challenge to NCs to identify locations for shelters, safe parking, and supportive housing. Thomas reported on the Homeless Connect Day in Chatsworth on April 4th. Brad repeated information that Colin Crews, CD 12 Senior Field Deputy, presented at the Porter Ranch NC Board meeting; saying the event attracted over 70 patrons and 50 is considered a successful Connect Day by LAHSA.
5. Public Comments: None
6. LAUSD Homeless Student Project: Simone reported the project will need backpacks for 73 to 78 students. The \$600 in the Homeless Committee budget for printing will be used for the project. Simone distributed, "Homeless Education Program Donation Wish List." Aida distributed, "Homelessness in California Higher Education."
7. Committee Projects and Budget for 2018-2019: The following priorities were identified; Homeless Count \$100, Homeless Connect Day \$500, Public Education Forum \$250, Backpacks for Students \$600.
8. Permanent Supportive Housing Locations: Thomas described permanent supportive housing. Thomas distributed a list of two possible locations he identified beginning, "Per Councilmember Englander's request to locate..." Thomas asked committee members to research additional locations. Some committee members disagreed with suggesting locations. Item tabled to May.
9. Safe Parking Locations: Thomas distributed, "Possible Safe Parking – WHNC Faith-Based Contacts." Thomas stated churches in Chatsworth and Woodland Hills have agreed to provide locations.

Committee Co-Chair Thomas adjourned the meeting at 7:37 PM.

The next meeting of this committee is on Monday, May 21, 2018 at 6:30 PM, Chaminade High School Condon Center, second floor conference room.