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### **JOINT COMMUNITY/SENIOR CENTER AD HOC COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING MINUTES-APPROVED**

**Tuesday December 20, 2016**

**West Hills Hospital, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room  
7300 Medical Center Drive, West Hills, CA 91307**

The meeting was called to order at 7:47 PM by Steve Randall, Chair.

In attendance were Steve Randall, Char Rothstein, Dan Brin, Reeyan Raynes, Myrl Schreiberman, Joan Trent, Tom Booth, Brad Vanderhoof, Michael Teitelbaum, Aida Abkarians, Ed Young and Ivan Blume. A quorum was established. The November 15, 2016 meeting minutes were approved as amended.

Steve Randall announced that this would be our last meeting at the West Hills Hospital and that future meetings would be held at Chaminade. He also stated that Mary Crescenzo had withdrawn from the committee and that Ivan Blume has joined keeping the committee membership and quorum the same. Steve gave an update on Corporate Pointe stating he called their executive offices in New York and was referred back to the local leasing agent. Dan Brin stated that he had visited Corporate Pointe to inquire to Thermo Fischer about the possible use of their facility.

Steve, Dan and Char gave an update on the December 1<sup>st</sup> meeting at Scott Schmerelson's office regarding working with LAUSD to incorporate a community center with the new Highlander performing arts site. Steve relayed that Dan had visited the site and that Dan suggested that Deveron Ridge Road between the school and the park could be a good site to build our community center. Steve mentioned that building the center adjacent to a public park would make Rec & Parks funding available, and that while this location appears to have excellent possibilities, we still must continue to seek other possibilities.

Discussion moved to what steps we should take moving forward. Steve stated that we must move forward establishing a 501c3 and Dan agreed to assist with getting it done. It was decided to arrange a meeting after the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year to pitch the Deveron Ridge site with Mitchell Englander, and that it should include representatives of LAUSD, including Scott Schmerelson, and the Department of Rec & Parks. Ivan said that he would visit the site to take some measurements. Aida suggested that we arrange to bring back the stop signs on Valley Circle at Highlander as part of the project and that could help alleviate objections to the project from some of the local stakeholders.

Dan Brin stated that he would call a meeting of F.A.C.E., a non-profit of which he is a board member, for the purpose of possibly paying for the application fees for the new 501c3. Myrl said that he is researching funding and grants related to the interior of the building and Michael Teitelbaum advised the group that Macy's contributes generously to the arts and we should file an application with them after the 501c3 is established.

Tom Booth advised that he would contact the Simi Valley Senior Center and ask for information on funding and a facility tour.

Ivan presented a new potential floor plan for the center to show more possibilities for space utilization. Ivan asked the group to send him any additional ideas that he could incorporate into future plans.

Steve announced our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 7:30 PM at Chaminade. The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM by Steve Randall.