



WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

JOINT CULTURAL, COMMUNITY AND SENIOR CENTER AD HOC COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, June 19, 2018 @ 7:30 P.M. Chaminade College Preparatory – Condon Center 2nd Floor 23241 W. Cohasset Street, West Hills, CA 91304 APPROVED

Committee Chair Steve Randall called the meeting to order at 7:33 PM.

A quorum was established. Committee members in attendance were: Steve Randall, Char Rothstein, Aida Abkarians, Dan Brin, Faye Barta, Joan Trent, Ron Sobel, Myrl Schreibman, Margery Brown and Brad Vanderhoof.

The May 15, 2018 meeting minutes were approved as amended.

Jerry Wayne, Executive Director of the Valley Jewish Community Center (VJCC), addressed the Committee. Established in 1956, for the first four years they operated with "no walls". The VJCC uses various venues such as One Generation, various temples and other willing participants as locations for their programs. Jerry stated that he and some of his staff would be willing to help facilitate creating our cultural center and begin programs before we have a physical site for our Center. Jerry stated that most programs begin with a need requested by folks with similar needs. Jerry stated that their most popular classes are promoted by the women's and men's clubs and how important it is to create a feeling of community.

Brad stated that once we establish the 501c3, we can begin to charge a fee to attend programs and classes.

Steve advised that he had communicated with the leasing agent for Corporate Pointe and they suggested that we make a proposal that would be then forwarded to Corporate Pointe. Dan suggested that we contact Thermo-Fisher regarding the possible use of their facility. Char said she would contact them and report back at the July meeting. Ron said he would investigate the already existing 502c3 to see if it can be transferred for the community center. He said he would report back at the July meeting.

Myrl stated that he believed that it would be beneficial to begin with cultural events such as a string quartet, a review from a performing arts school, etc. Steve said he would like to establish a sub-committee to organize such events. Myrl suggested that when we hold these events that we should have a model of the community center on display. Marge said she would research venues in West Hills with which she is familiar with from her work in opera.

Steve adjourned the meeting at 8:44 PM.

The next meeting of this committee is scheduled for July 17, 2018, 7:30 PM, Chaminade Condon Center, 2nd floor.