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**EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS
NORTH AREA NEIGHBORHOOD
DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**



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At Large Representatives:

Christine Lee
Gabriela Garcia
Sharon Stewart
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**Townhall Meeting
Saturday, February 21, 2009
10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Loren Miller Park Rec Center
2717 Halldale (at 27th Street)**

MINUTES

1. Welcome and Call to Order 10:23 a.m.

2. Announcements

- a. ***Our Regular Thursday Meeting is to be held from 6:00-8:00 p.m. the first Thursday of each month***
- b. Clean Community Celebration: Saturday, 2/21/09, on N. Figueroa St between Ave 56 and Ave 57 from (clean up) 8 am - 11 am and from (fair) 11 am - 1 pm. Sponsored by the City of LA and the Dept of Public Works.
- c. Tuesday – Community action day (39th &

3. Public Comment

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4. Roll Call of Present Board Members Celia, Idolina, Christine, Guillermo, Shawn, Rachel (Shawn left at the beginning)

5. Action Item: Community Involvement Series – discussion continued from previous meeting, proposal from Outreach Committee to be presented. Funding request \$9,120. Tabled, no quorum

6. Action Item: Team-Building retreat Proposal – discussion continued from previous meeting, proposal from Outreach Committee to be presented. Funding request \$1,400. Tabled, no quorum.

7. Discussion Item/Presentation: Community Services Unlimited - CSU is a community based organizations working in the neighborhood surrounding EXPO to increase access to healthy food and build community sustainability though rebuilding a local food system. What that looks like are urban mini-farms at EXPO, area schools and private home; school based nutrition and gardening education programs; teen internship and apprenticeship programs; a weekly produce stand at EXPO and a produce bag subscription program; a vegetable oil powered bus demonstration project; and in the future, a corner store conversion project to bring fresh produce to corner stores in the neighborhood. -- Heather Fenney (Dane Paschael, working at CSU for 3 years, growing, harvesting, marketing food Started out as a project of Southern CA chapter of Black Panther Party. Based at Normandie/King culturally grounded, internship programs, (Erica Dern, 13 years old) recruiting for internships age 14-18. Various programs are linked to each other. **April 18th launch event for veggie bus at Normandie Ave Elementary**, back of bus will be mobile veggie stand. \$12 or \$24 bags of produce, website www.Csuinc.org

8. Discussion Item: Troy Camp Funding Proposal -- Josh Watson/presentation by Brad – only taking 140 kids this year, want \$\$ to send more kids to camp. Cost is about \$200 to send kid to camp, \$400 for a full year of programming. Funding request was for \$12k. Guillermo has asked Josh to follow up with specific budget information. 3 mentors went to Troy Camp, they have 150 mentors, about 40 are from the neighborhood.

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-Professor of Sociology/Religion is auditing our meetings, will also have his students audit from time to time. (Paul Lichterman)

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10. Adjournment 11:19a.m.

Official public notice for all committees:

Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Council Committees				
COMMITTEE	CHAIR(S)	CONTACT INFORMATION	MEETING LOCATION	MEETING DATE/TIME
Public Safety	Leslie Evans	lbevans@earthlink.net	Bethune Library Study Room 3900 Western Avenue	3 rd Thursday of every month. 5 PM
Budget & Finance	Yolanda Jones	nandc.vp@gmail.com	NANDC office 3990 S. Menlo Ave.	3 rd Tuesday of every month (6 PM-7 PM)
Land Use & Planning	Rachel Capata	ecnandc.capata@gmail.com	Town Hall Meeting location	3 rd Saturday of every month, concurrent with Town Hall Mtg
Outreach	Jill Remelski	jremelski@sfcla.org	NANDC office 3990 S. Menlo Ave.	4 th Wednesday of every month (7 PM)
Youth Committee	Celia Castellanos/ Josh Watson		Town Hall Meeting location	3 rd Saturday of every month, following Town Hall Meeting
Seniors and Aging	Christine Lee	genesis.korea@yahoo.com	NANDC office 3990 S. Menlo Ave.	TBA
Ad-Hoc Economic Development	Shawn Simons		NANDC office 3990 S. Menlo Ave.	3 rd Monday of the month (7 PM)

The Next Regular Meeting of the Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Development Council Governing Board is:

Thursday, March 5 – 6:00PM to 8:00PM
Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Regional Branch Library
3900 S. Western Ave
Los Angeles, 90062
(near MLK in Exposition Park)

You are encouraged to visit a NANDC posting site 72 hours prior to the Regular and Town Hall Meeting at the following locations:

- Los Angeles Child Guidance Clinic, 3787 South Vermont Avenue (near Vermont & Exposition)
- Martin Luther King Recreation Center, 3916 South Western Avenue (near King & Western)
- Supermercado Latino, 1049 West Martin Luther King Boulevard (near Vermont & King)
- Food 4 Less, 1748 West Jefferson Boulevard (corner of Western & Jefferson)
- Smith's Quick Cleaners, 1901 Rodeo Road (near Rodeo & Arlington)

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