

Minutes of the Board of Directors

17 Apr. 2003

The meeting of the Board was called to order by President Ronni Cooper at 7:38 p.m.

Secretary's Report

- The minutes of the 20 Mar. 2003 meeting were approved:

Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer's Report for the month of March was approved.

Crime and Safety

- **Statistics.** Nancy Smith, analyst, LA Sheriff's Department, provides crime statistics for April:

Crime statistics			Robbery Weapon	Robbery: Strong Arm	Aggravated Assault	Burglary: Residence	Burglary: Other structure	Grand Theft	Grand Theft Auto	Arson	Vehicle Burglary	Petty Theft	Totals
April 2003	Homicide	Rape											
Upper Ladera	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	3	0	0	0	1	9
Lower Ladera	0	0	1	0	2	3	1	2	1	0	6	0	16
Totals	0	0	1	0	2	8	1	5	1	0	6	1	25

Statistics for Lower Ladera include Ladera Center. Statistics for Lower Ladera include most of Old Ladera. Statistics supplied by Los Angeles County Sheriff.

- **LAPD.** Officer Wicks reported a rash of armed robberies of businesses along La Tijera. He credited recent arrests primarily to calls from neighbors. Outcome of liquor license request for Towne House is unknown at this time.
- **CHP.** Added two officers. Corning continues to be traffic and speeding problem and all violators will be ticketed after a 30-day grace period. CHP continues to monitor and issue citations at Parent School and would welcome assistance from Inglewood School Police.
- **LASD.** Lt. Tracee Edmond, new director of operations, Marina del Rey Station, was introduced. Referencing statistics, Deputy Tapia reported a sharp increase in crimes beginning in March.

Committee Reports

- **Parent School.** LHCA Director Joscelyn McCauley reported a car show and auction is scheduled for 7 June and requested resident support and donations. She discussed a potential summer camp and the possibility of morning-only kindergarten classes next

year. A campaign to convert Parent School into a charter school independent of the Inglewood School Board is underway.

- **President's Report:**
 - **Welcome magnets.** The board approved \$250 for the production of new magnets with phone numbers for distribution with Welcome Baskets.
 - **Outdoor signs.** Volunteers are needed to attend 22 April public hearing at Hall of Administration to protest against approval of outdoor sign company.
 - **LA city dump.** The City of Los Angeles proposes to build a dump on city-owned land in planned Baldwin Hills park, to process 2-3,000 tons of trash per day. Director Frieda Rentie to represent LHCA and to contact other homeowner's organizations for information and coordination. The board voted \$300 to help fund campaign to defeat proposed dump.
- **Senior Center.** LHCA Alternate Director Alma Fowlkes discussed a new conceptual floorplan for the proposed Ladera Senior Center to be built on a parking lot across from the amphitheater in Ladera Park. The new plan increases the total area to 4300 square feet, up from 1800.

Continuing Business

- **Ladera Center.** Alternate Director Alma Fowlkes reported that recent meeting of Center management, law enforcement and Jonathan Lusher, a consultant to Ladera Center and senior vice president of IPC International, discussed potential security survey. Lusher indicated a need to provide information to neighbors, customers and visitors about behavior standards, rules and regulations, and said Center is working with District Attorney's office to develop enforceable regulations, signs and procedures to address loitering and trespassing and to make center more user friendly and safer.
- **Supervisor Burke.** Julia Orozco, deputy to Sup. Burke, reported the county budget to be detailed in May probably cuts various departments, programs and services. The Supervisor's Office was not fully informed of the geophysical survey conducted by Plains Exploration, formerly Stocker Resources; the wires and meters throughout many communities, including Ladera, are designed to help create a three-dimensional map of soil layers beneath the oil fields in Baldwin Hills. Orozco will assist in helping to prevent creation of a city dump in planned Baldwin Hills Park.

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The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Board members present were Sandra Goldsmith Bennett, Charles Caballero, Ronni Cooper, Gene Eldridge, Willa Hector, Jocelyn McCauley, Frieda Rentie, Robert Shaw, Phyllis Stewart and Ron Woods. Alternates Alma Fowlkes and Alvetia Smith were present. With apologies for any spelling errors.

April minutes recorded by Director Charles Caballero. Thank you.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steven J. Leon

Secretary