

## Occidental Community Center Advisory Council

Approved Meeting Minutes – April 8, 2014 6:30 pm

Location: Union Hotel Pizzeria, Occidental

### Attendees:

Benjamynn Gabriel, John Greaves, Debbie Klein, Barbara Gonnella, Barbara Costa, Miriam Redstone, Dotty Joos, Loie Sauer, Brian Grant, Stephanie Felch, Heidi McNeal, Dee Swanhuysen.

1. **Welcome** new (and prior) attendees: Heidi agreed to act as Vice Chair back-up when available.
2. **Changes to the agenda**  
No changes were suggested.

### **Corrections to prior minutes**

No revisions, draft minutes of the previous meeting were approved electronically.

3. **Review and discuss the Community Survey and Participation Distribution**  
Due to extensive email discussions about the survey participants, the original deadline for the Community Survey needed to be modified to allow for additional discussion by the group about possible limits to survey participation.

Brian provided a map of the Occidental Fire Protection District with the Harmony School District and adjacent zipcode boundaries for discussion. Revised surveys were distributed and the revised banners/sandwich boards were reviewed.

After extensive discussion about the pros and cons of limiting the survey participants Benjamynn proposed to modify the survey to include a mandatory requirement to provide the participant's physical address and zipcode which would allow the community survey to be inclusive with "good sorting". The surveys will be categorized so that specific community information can be isolated (if required). The group generally agreed – there were no dissensions.

The surveys will be physically available mid-April at the Bohemian Market, Hand Goods and the Occidental Post Office. Electronic downloadable surveys will be available on the Occidental Community Council website, Facebook/OCCAC page and Regional Parks website. The sandwich boards will be located at north and south ends of downtown and at the intersection of Coleman Valley Road. The surveys will be due by Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup> and can be either returned to the Bohemian Market or PO Box 1011 in Occidental.

4. **Confirming the agenda for the next meeting:**
  - The group agreed that the next meeting should be Tuesday, July 1st and the agenda should include reviewing the survey results.

Dee, John, Barbara C., Brian and Stephanie agreed to review and categorize the survey results on Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 6:30 in the Union Hotel Pizzeria.