



**Neighborhood Organization**  
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**Annual Meeting, March 17, 2018, 9:00- 11:00 am**

**Palm Springs Teachers Association, 180 N. Luring Dr., Palm Springs, CA**

**(DRAFT) MINUTES**

Registration and a Complimentary Continental Breakfast, catered by Aspen Mills, began at 9:00 a.m. Attendance: 65 people representing 39 households/businesses.

Ken Nelson, Chair of the Sunrise Park Neighborhood Organization (SPNO) Board of Directors, called the Business Meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and welcomed the neighborhood members and guests. He also introduced the current board members:

Ken Nelson	(2017-2019) Chair
Kathy Cohn	(2017-2019) Vice Chair
Paul Zak	(2017-2019) Treasurer
Brad Dunkin	(2017-2019) Communications Officer
Rita Baird	(2017-2018) Secretary, Appointed member
Will Follett	(2016-2018) Member [absent]
Herb Schultz	(2017-2018) Appointed member

Kathy Cohn, Vice Chair of the Board, introduced two guests from the ONE-PS Neighborhood Formation and Support Committee, Bob Hinebaugh and Lucy Brown. She also referred the members to the website where the SPNO 2017 Annual Meeting Minutes are posted. (see [www.sunriseparkps.com](http://www.sunriseparkps.com) )

Kathy then reviewed the results of the 2017 Survey of the members as to their Priority Issues and Themes. (See attached handout). She then commented on the SPNO Accomplishments and Updates related to the priority issues. Ken Nelson also commented on the Traffic and Street Paving, as he serves on the ONE-PS Public Works and Code Enforcement Committee. (See below for summary). She encouraged the members to complete and submit the 2018 Survey of Priority Issues and Themes that was included in the meeting's handouts.

### **SPNO Summary of Accomplishments and Updates:**

Neighborhood Watch/Crime – Signs installed.

Speeding/Traffic – Traffic speed study Jan. 2018, Electronic Warning Sign on order.

Street Improvements/Water/Mains repairs 1st: Recently paved: Saturmino, Cerritos, Belding, Des Palms, Monterey.

Earthquake/Emergency Preparedness - Today!

Vacation Rentals/Noise - A Petition-driven City Election is being held June 5, 2018.

Socials –Desert Holly Happy Hour, Spring 2017; Coming May 3, 2018, Free Happy Hour, PS Cultural Center & Camelot Theatre, 4:00-6:00 pm.

Paul Zak, Treasurer presented the Treasurer's Report. Because the fiscal year is based on the calendar year, information was provided for all of 2017 and for the first two months of 2018. The 2017 beginning balance was \$21,959.42. Income was \$8,685.32. Expenses were \$10,376.49. The ending balance was \$20,268.25. Paul explained that the income reflected the 2<sup>nd</sup> payment/profits from the 2017 SPNO Modernism Home Tour. Major expenses included Insurance, Modernism Tour expenses, and blade street signs. The 2018 beginning balance was \$20,268.25. In the first two months of 2018, expenses for the Annual Meeting materials and our booth at the One-PS Picnic totaled \$215.24. The February 2018 ending balance was \$20,053.01.

Herb Schultz, a one-year appointed member, explained how the election for the 2018 Board of Directors would be conducted. Because members are elected on staggered terms, there were 3 open positions. The ballot included three (3) self-nominated candidates who had submitted their names in advance of the meeting. Herb introduced the 3 candidates, and each briefly stated why they were interested in serving as a director on the board. Herb then entertained nominations from the floor. Nominees from the floor must be present to be added to ballot. There were none. The printed ballots had been distributed at registration table one ballot per household or business. The ballots were collected for tallying in an adjacent room.

While the counting was underway, it was announced that when the new board of directors meets, it has the option to appoint up to four (4) additional members for one-year terms to enable broader representation of the neighborhood, and/or to contribute a needed expertise to benefit the board. Members were urged to inform the board if they are interested in being considered for such an appointment. Informal interviews are conducted with potential appointees.



Rita Baird, Secretary, introduced Anjila Lebsock, CEM Emergency Services Coordinator, PS Fire Department. Officer Lebsock made a well-received presentation on Earthquake and Emergency Preparedness. She identified many affordable and do-it-yourself ideas for making and gathering supplies, resources and links to more detailed information, essential items for first aid, and important documents to be assembled in advance. Remember your pets' needs during a disaster (shot records are required for admission to shelters). Emergency Backpacks can be purchased from amazon.com or thereadystore.com/emergency-preparedness-supplies. She also urged people to sign up for the free CERT training provided by the City of Palm Springs.

SPNO provided a free raffle for one Emergency Kit equipped with supplies for 2 adults for 4 days. One lucky neighbor took home the prize.

The election results for three (3) open 2- year term positions were announced:

Rita Baird	33 votes	Term:	March 2018 – March 2020
Michael Hudson	35 votes	Term:	March 2018 – March 2020
Neil Wortman	34 votes	Term:	March 2018 – March 2020

The winners were congratulated. Neil Wortman on behalf of the entire board of directors acknowledged and thanked three former board of director members for their service and specific contributions during the initial years of formation. Curt Watts served as chair and then secretary, and Byron Lohman served as treasurer. Both resigned prior to the end of their terms. Will Follett, who chaired the Neighborhood Watch subcommittee, did not run for re-election.

Brad Dunkin, Communications Officer, made the following announcements:

\*One-PS Picnic Sat., March 24, 2018, 11:00 am-2:00 pm, Ruth Hardy Park.

Visit SPNO Booth to enter the Raffle for Gift Cards: PS Fitness Membership, The Real Italian Deli, K-9 Country Club, Camelot Movie tickets. Free Food and Entertainment.

\*COD trial for eminent domain was held in February. Results expected by May 2018. Temporary PS campus opened January 2018 on Baristo Road.

\*Next SPNO Board Meeting April 7, 11:30 am (Only agenda item: Election of Officers)

Paul Zak commented on the SPNO Social: Free Happy Hour, Thursday, May 3, 2018, 4:00-6:00 pm, PS Cultural Center Camelot Theatre

**Acknowledgements and Adjourn:**

**Thank you, PS Teachers Association for hosting all of our meetings!**

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