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<p>MEETING MINUTES Regular GTLNC Meeting December 18, 2007 - 7:10 to 8:50 PM</p>	<p>Toluca Lake Elementary School 4840 Cahuenga Blvd. Toluca Woods, California 91601</p>
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Chair: Terry Davis, President

Members Present: Barbara Carroll, Betsy Mogul, Cathy Naugle, Clair Collins, Dexter Connor, Gene Elerding, Gene Klow, Jerome Williams, Jeff Rector, John Moskal, Maria Tirado, Peter Hartz, Reyn Blight, Roy Disney and Terry Davis

Members with Excused Absence: Cathy Saliba, Craig Strong, and Jessica Sterling

Members Absent: Matt Waldeck

Standing Guests Present: Jay Goldberg (Public Safety Chair), Richard Bogy (TL Chamber of Commerce), and Sheryl Appleton (Co-Chair, Planning Comm.)

Grievance Committee Members Present: Sol Ajalat and Tim Hawkins

Total Stakeholders and Guests: 37

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1.	<p>Meeting Opening and Call to Order</p> <p>Terry Davis, President, called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM and extended a welcome to all. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll Call was taken. Agenda was reviewed. No changes were made. Minutes from November 20, 2007 were reviewed and approved.</p> <p>President's Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Terry reminded the Council members of the orientation on January 12th. ▪ Terry asked the Council and Committee Chairs to complete a year-end evaluation and expressed a desire to re-ignite interest in government relations. ▪ Terry will be working with Sharyn Romano from LA/HBT to host a tree giveaway for home use. Up to 7 trees can be obtained by each homeowner. ▪ Terry passed around a card for Karen Goldwasser and asked Council members to donate money as they wish toward a holiday gift. ▪ Terry conveyed her thanks and awarded certificates of appreciation to departing Council members: Betsy Mogul, Gene Elerding and Barbara Carroll. 	<p><i>Motion: Roy Disney moved that the minutes from November 20th be approved as submitted.</i></p> <p><i>Motion passed: 13/0/0.</i></p>	<p>Barbara to mark as final and send to Karen for posting on the GTLNC web site (done).</p>

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2.	<p>Election Results for New Council Members Maria Tirado read the names of all newly elected Council members and introduced those who were present.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Re-elected members are: Terry Davis and Roy Disney. ▪ Newly elected members are: Rich DeMichele, Janice Easton, Jack Thomas, Eric Weyenberg, Susann Jarvis, Lance Kind, Betsy Dennis, and Bridget Oberlin. 		
3.	<p>Toluca Lake Bus Tour Jeff Rector introduced and showed the 8 minute movie he made of the Toluca Lake Bus Tour that GTLNC and the TL Chamber of Commerce co-sponsored and Richard Bogy narrated this past summer.</p>		
4.	<p>Open Forum for Stakeholders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No comments or requests to speak were submitted. 		
5.	<p>City & Neighborhood News and Announcements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Roy Disney thanked all for the turnout at the annual Toluca Lake Open House. He reported that the Universal working group expects the draft EIR to be published in late January or early February. ▪ Reyn Blight attended a conference on water, with a focus on the peripheral canal, and has information for anyone who is interested. ▪ Jerome Williams attended a recent LANC meeting and reported that DONE will be taking over NC elections in the 2009. DONE has proposed a single term of either 2 or 4 years, with complete turnover of all Council members at election time, but has not issued any clear standards on this yet. 		
6.	<p>Committee Reports –</p> <p>1. Planning & Land Use Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ See minutes from the December 11th meeting. ▪ Reyn reported that there has been support in the City Council for an anti-mansionization ordinance. ▪ The report from the 912 Commission is to be presented to the City Council today and NCs will be asked to weigh in. ▪ Sheryl reported that there is one new 8-unit condo project at 5110-5114 Cahuenga that was just reported and that this will involve a “small lot ordinance” allowing only 1 inch between buildings. 	<p><i>Motion: Reyn Blight moved that the GTLNC work with Studio City NC on a Community Impact Statement to address SB 1818, the Universal Working Group needs, as well as other significant projects that are common to our Neighborhood Councils.</i></p> <p><i>Motion passed: 12/0/0.</i></p>	

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6.	<p>Committee Reports –</p> <p>1. Planning & Land Use Committee – cont.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cary Adams spoke to motion #2: 3 NCs have discussed and 2 have already approved this motion and collaborative effort. <p>2. Public Safety/Traffic/Public Works Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ See minutes from the December 3rd meeting. ▪ Jay Goldberg referenced the colored flyer announcing the Town Hall on Tuesday January 29th at Toluca Lake Elementary on Predatory Behavior Against Children on the Internet and urged parents and concerned others to attend. ▪ Jay reminded all who see tagging to call 311 and report it promptly. ▪ Another CERT (Certified Emergency Response Term) course is being planned for next summer. ▪ A recent Neighborhood Watch meeting at Terry’s house was well attended and others are in development. 	<p><i>Motion: Reyn Blight moved that the GTLNC contribute an amount not to exceed \$1250 for a Town Hall meeting with MidTown NoHo, Studio City, Valley Village and Valley Glen NCs. Funds to be used for outreach and hospitality. Projects to be discussed at meeting: GE/Universal/MTA/NBC, Laurel Plaza and NoHo East and West developments.</i></p> <p><i>Motion passed: 13/0/0.</i></p> <p><i>Motion: Reyn Blight moved that the GTLNC support Richard Bogy in his efforts to keep the Weddington House in the NoHo area as it has historical ties to Toluca Lake and not to Lincoln Heights (where it is proposed to be moved).</i></p> <p><i>Motion passed: 13/0/0.</i></p>	<p>Sheryl, Reyn and Terry to designate names from GTLNC to work with Cary and others on this.</p> <p>Richard and Terry to write a letter to Tom LaBonge asking for his support and indicating our support for this.</p>

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6.	<p>Committee Reports –</p> <p>3. Outreach/Elections/Hospitality Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ See minutes from the December 6th meeting. ▪ Peter Hartz showed the new GTLNC bags and stated that these will be distributed to the new Council at the orientation meeting. ▪ Carol Reo Bove, Principal of Toluca Lake Elementary, and Steve Reedman, lead teacher, reported on the results of the after-school tutoring program that the Council helped fund this past year for grades 4 and 5. Test scores were up 29 points and closer to the goal of 800 points (at 764 currently). In 2008 TLE wants to expand the program to grades 1 through 4 and is requesting funding from GTLNC to support this program. Discussion ensued about whether the PTA could add financial support but it is not possible and the deadline is immanent. <p>4. Environmental Affairs Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ See minutes from the November 27th meeting. ▪ Terry provided an update on the Moorpark median project. WE are getting updated quotes and hope to have a ground-breaking in January. Clean and Green will clean up the Camarillo/Forman median. <p>5. Administrative Committee – no report</p>	<p><i>Motion: Peter Hartz introduced the motion that the GTLNC approve a supplemental \$5000 from the already-approved budget toward the after-school tutoring program at Toluca Lake Elementary School in 2008.</i></p> <p><i>Motion passed: 12/1/0.</i></p>	<p>Peter to work with TLE on arranging the transfer of funds.</p>
7.	<p>Treasurer’s Report</p> <p>Peter Hartz, Treasurer, reported that our spend rate is at 32% of budget for the fiscal year. He urged the Council to pick up spend.</p>		
8.	<p>Meeting Close and Wrap-Up</p> <p>Terry adjourned the meeting at 8:50 PM. She thanked John Moskal for cooking and arranging the special holiday spread for tonight’s meeting. Terry wished happy holidays and new year to all.</p> <p>Reminders:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Council orientation is Saturday January 12th from 9 AM to noon - The next meeting is January 15th at Toluca Lake Elementary School 		