

**SILVER LAKE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL  
GOVERNING BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES (DRAFT)**

7pm - 10 pm, February 3, 2016  
Micheltorena Elementary School Auditorium  
1511 Micheltorena St.  
Los Angeles, CA 90029

**1. Call to Order**

The regular board meeting began at 7:55 pm, following an hour-long special board meeting.

**2. Roll Call**

Attending Board Members:

Heather Carson, New Co-Chair (appointed during this meeting)  
Jerome Courson  
Anne-Marie Johnson, Parliamentarian  
David Modern  
Barbara Ringuette  
Anthony Crump, Retiring Co-Chair (occurs during this meeting)  
Seamus Garrity  
Jeff Wayne  
John Wingle, Treasurer  
Joe Ferrell, Co-Chair  
Matthew Desario  
Glenn Harrell  
Kinoka Ogsbury  
Scott Plante  
Helen de la Paz Dion  
Georgine Smith-Goodin  
Jay Bennett

Non-Attending Board Members:

Joshua Gomez  
James Bigelow (absent with illness)  
Christine Kantner, Secretary  
Hope Taylor-Arnold

**3. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items**

*Nina Sorkin:*

She said that the Director at the Bellevue Recreation Center would be leaving after four years. She has implemented lots of programs. Here is the "Silver Lake Bids A Fond Farewell To Elaine Piha" letter about her that was entered into the minutes:

"For the past four years, Elaine Piha, Recreation Facility Director of Bellevue Recreation Center, created a new and vibrant look for Bellevue. She has been responsible for adding more than 30 classes to the program, including dance, drama, kids cooking sports clinics, sports camps, self-esteem workshops, fitness and nutrition training and a very successful Pee Wee Academy.

Elaine partnered with Toyota for three annual Park Clean-Up days, held each September. She has partnered with Councilman Mitch O'Farrell and his staff the past two years in making two CD13 Fitness Challenge days a reality for more than 100 local elementary school children. In 2014, Elaine resurrected the Park Advisory Board (PAB) and since hosted the first Fall Fair, complete with information booths, a children's zone that included the local fire truck, and guest speakers.

The After-School program, Quack Pack, has grown to more than 40 kids under her tutelage and the pre-school, Bright Beginnings, has recreated itself and grown to be a very well respected program with a waiting list of 30+ children.

The summer camp, pee wee summer camp, spring break cam and winter camp are held during LAUSD school breaks. These have been a great addition and have been well attended by local elementary and middle school students.

Elaine has taken the lead in creating exciting special events including indoor community movie nights, an amazing princess party, and massive Halloween events. Culminating each semester, she has put together a Winter Holiday Show and a Spring Showcase for students to perform. This has helped create a true sense of community.

Elaine regularly taught exercise classes, including Zumba, Tabata, Body Works and Boot Camp. She also provided a Zumba class for participants at American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Griffith Park Communities.

Elaine will begin her new assignment as Senior Recreation Director at Stoner Recreation Center in West Los Angeles in early February 2016. Thank you Elaine for your dedication to our community."

*Molly Lynn Taylor, independent election advisor for the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council and President of the Glassell Park Neighborhood Council:*

She said that online voter registration is now and continues until may. Candidate filing has also started and continues to March 15.

*Rosa Macke, Chair of the Green Committee:*

She said that the Outreach meeting was cancelled but not removed from the calendar. Co-Chair Anthony Crump said that he will follow up with Secretary Christine Kantner about this.

Heather Carson asked whether that was for region 7? Rosa Macke said yes. How did that get on the calendar, asked Carson. Crump said I don't know why it wasn't removed from the calendar after a cancellation email went out.

Macke noted that Matthew Mooney is not here. As a stakeholder for me it's a very important committee. There was late posting for the meeting. She said that she'd called DONE (the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment) about this. She'd called the Chair, who'd resigned. The Chair said that he was afraid that the opposition would bus in people, which they did before.

Macke said I just joined the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council but this disgusted me. I urged everyone at meeting not to vote. It's not up to Matthew Mooney to decide who gets elected. This should be investigated. I'm very upset about it. I'm surprised that this isn't on the agenda. She made herself electable but told people to abstain until the Board choses a new Chair. The transportation committee is very important.

Crump told Co-Chair Joe Ferrell to agendize this for the next Board meeting next month. He also told her to hold onto her recording.

*A representative of Silver Lake Love:*

The group serves the homeless. The man introduced himself to the Board.

#### **4. Special Presentations and Reports**

*Adam Miller, Neighborhood Advocate for Council Member David Ryu, Fourth District (CD4) ([adam.miller@lacity.org](mailto:adam.miller@lacity.org) 323-957-6415, 213-473-7004):*

Call us about debris on the streets after storms. Tell us about fallen trees as they happen.

*Heidi, representing an organization that plants trees:*

She spoke about the replacement of existing trees with those that are native to California. She also discussed street closures and parking and trees along Rowena.

She showed photographs of Sam's Coffee.

This process takes up to 3 weeks per street. They will begin at the end of February. We should be done by April or May.

Glenn Harrell asked have you notified business owners yet so that they can let their customers know? She said no. Harrell asked will this be 24/7? She said 7am to 3:30pm.

## **5. Administrative**

### 5.1. Approval of October 2015 Special Governing Board Meeting Minutes

Johnson said that she had many problems with the minutes.

*Carson made a motion to table the October special meeting minutes. Wingler seconded. Courshon asked who will make the changes? Crump said the Secretary, Christine Kantner, would do so.*

### 5.2. Approval of November 2015 Governing Board Meeting Minutes

Barbara Ringuette said that a statement that she made isn't comprehensible. I wrote out a copy of the comments and sent it to the Secretary, she said. Also, the minutes indicated that she was late but she'd received no notice of this. I'd like that removed.

Crump said that sounds like substantial changes. *Scott Plante made a motion to table approval of the minutes. Georgine Smith-Goodin seconded.*

### 5.3. Approval of December 2015 Governing Board Meeting Minutes

Carson said that my comments in the December meeting about August are not there. *Carson made a motion to table approval of the December minutes. This was seconded by Jay Bennett.*

#### 5.4. Approval of January 2016 Governing Board Meeting Minutes

Smith-Goodin said that the names of Jeff Wayne and John Wingler were mixed up in the January minutes.

Courshon said that he'd emailed corrections for page 24.

Carson said we need to list who was absent at the top of the minutes. She would also like wider margins. On page 7, she would like "motion" changed to "motions". On page 9, she would like to add in budget amounts. She would also like to change "elections" to "election day". On page 18, she would like to change a time from 8pm to 2pm" to "8pm to 2am." She also noted that the web master posted the original minutes, not the revisions. She said that was mind boggling.

*Courshon moved to table the January minutes. Plante seconded.*

#### 5.5. Discussion and Possible Action regarding the 2016 SLNC Visions and Goals Meeting

Crump said there have been many emails. There has been lots of controversy about goals. Many questions and goals.

Should the meeting move forward? Some of the concerns are serious but the meeting should move forward. Crump said that he'd communicated that to Vice Chair Seamus Garrity.

Before the meeting we got word that the meeting wasn't properly noticed. That was a violation of state law. Garrity suggested making it a special meeting but Crump felt that this was unethical.

Co-Chairs Crump and Ferrell discussed this. The meeting wasn't properly noticed. After that we ran into resistance. The Secretary refused to send a cancellation notice. We were in a quagmire. It was frustrating, said Crump. This is the opportunity for you to express yourselves, he told the Board.

Barbara Ringuette said that she was pleased that the meeting was cancelled. This was an opportunity for the community. If the community doesn't get the message, why have the meeting?

Parliamentarian Anne-Marie Johnson said that she was concerned that certain people knew about the dates but didn't announce it during governing board meetings. I'd like to know why?

Treasurer John Wingler thanked Crump for his complete explanation and for managing things during difficult times. Everything about putting it together was a mess. As part of the Executive Committee, I feel responsible for that, he said.

Vice Chair Garrity said I spoke with Melvin Canas at the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) regarding that late posting. He said there was no Brown Act violation. He also said DONE would see the meeting as a special meeting because it wasn't a regularly scheduled board meeting.

After discussion with Crump, I sent out the email about why I believed the meeting could go forward. I saw it as a benign meeting that had been noticed in several locations around the community.

I just want to move forward. I didn't understand the reasoning for the cancellation. All I got was a profanity-laced message from the Co-Chair. Before I'd received messages from Jerome Courshon and Heather Carson and been told stuff that was off topic. I look forward to working with Johnson on this.

Crump said we sent a message to Garrity explaining our reasoning. I was mad. He gave the impression that Melvin Canas had said everything was fine. Canas sent an email to us that Garrity should consult with the Co-Chairs.

Garrity said that since he didn't cancel the meeting the Co-Chairs should cancel it. I was pissed off, said Crump. Both the Vice Chair and the Secretary both refused to send out cancellation. I used choice words, added Crump.

Nina Sorokin said that on November 30 the Outreach Committee voted to support the visions and goals. On December 2 I sent notification to the two Co-Chairs. Meeting at the Russian church wasn't an option. I wanted this on the newsletter. I sent the notification to the Co-Chairs and the Secretary. I posted on the plaza. We posted in 12 locations but not in Region 2. We worked

very diligently to get the word out. About 20 people came on that Saturday.

If you go ahead on the 24<sup>th</sup>, go ahead. Questions about the Election Committee should be handled as soon as possible. Co-Chair Ferrell said the meeting was rescheduled for February 24.

Johnson said the Board never had an opportunity to support that date. In the December and January Board meetings, the Board wasn't made aware that visions and goals were set.

Matthew Desario said this seems ridiculous to stop the meeting. I feel that the rules, the Brown Act, are meant to not exclude people. It's petty to cancel when people sacrifice time and show up. I read Melvin Canas' email. It gave leeway. This chokes energy from the Board. How do we expect the community to react. This was a complete failing. It is laughable.

**5.6. MOTION (Garrity/Johnson):** The SLNC approve a budget of up to \$400.00 for the purchase of beverages, snacks, and writing implements for the Visions and Goals meeting scheduled for February 24, 2016 (**Cost: Up to \$400.00**)

Nina Sorkin said I delivered the snacks and beverages to your home. Johnson said that she and Garrity didn't know that. We outreached through the Board first. The location is more conducive because parking is really difficult on Saturdays. We must have Board members there to receive input from the community, otherwise it will be a waste of time.

Georgene Smith Goodin said the board approved \$100. Nina Sorkin and I went shopping for refreshments for the upcoming meeting. We spent \$51. The church would be \$25. Do we amend? Crump said to amend the previous motion to raise the amount. Submit it as one big package. Ferrell asked do we need more money? Johnson said no. Nina Sorkin said there are enough snacks for 70 people. Garrity said we still need to buy writing implements. Courshon said there's \$50 left.

*Garrity asked why don't we amend it for up to \$100 in additional funds? Courshon seconded.*

**VOTE on the amendment**  
**Unanimous**  
**PASSED**

**VOTE on amended motion**  
**Unanimous**  
**PASSED**

**5.7. ELECTION OF NEW SLNC CO-CHAIR:** The Co-Chairs will preside at meetings, prepare agendas for meetings, and will perform other duties as prescribed by the Board. The Co-Chairs will divide these duties equitably between themselves. In the case of a dispute between the Co-Chairs regarding their respective roles, the Board will determine the role that each Co-Chair shall play in the performance of their duties. Co-chairs must have served as a Board member for at least one (1) year prior to being elected by the Board. All other Officers may serve without having previously served on the Board. In case of removal or resignation, the Board shall elect a replacement for the remaining term of office by majority vote no later than the next scheduled Board meeting.

Anthony Crump said that he is resigning as Co-Chair. I don't have the time. Work is really intense and will be for the foreseeable future. Also, the way that things are running right now. I've had to take on other responsibilities from other Executive Committee members, such as Public Records Act requests that the Secretary wouldn't do. There are also quality issues. We bought a podium and microphones for meetings that aren't used. I've decided to step back.

Johnson said it's a shame that we're losing Anthony Crump. Much of the motivation for your decision sits in the lap of the Secretary. That's not fair to the Co-Chair and to the Board. It's a shame that we're losing you but I'm glad that you'll remain on the Board.

Courshon said that I too am sorry to see Anthony Crump have to step away. I will miss you. I nominate Heather Carson as your replacement.

Heather Carson said I would accept on condition that the rest of Executive Committee does their jobs. Something has to shift for this Board to function.

Matthew Desario reminded the group that we had 4 rounds of nominations for secretary 10 months ago. She (Christine Kantner) did it very begrudgingly.

Helen de la Paz Dion told Johnson that it's very naughty to talk bad about someone who's not here. It's not very professional. She also said that she's glad that Anthony Crump is putting family first.

Georgene Smith Goodin said that Kantner turned down the nomination for Secretary twice. It's a really demanding job. Maybe divide the position going forward into a recording secretary and another secretary? Carson said it's one thing to say that job is demanding but another to say 'no' to the Co-Chairs.

Garrity nominated Johnson, who immediately declined. Garrity then nominated Desario, who also immediately declined. Smith Goodin commented that Carson had made her acceptance of the nomination conditional. Crump warned that my resignation was carefully worded with "by the end of the meeting".

Seamus Garrity said that Carson had said that some Executive Committee people refused to do their jobs. However, Carson refused to do things asked for by the Board. So, she is hypocritical, he added.

Desario said it's a lot of work. Anthony seems to have aged years. You sound weary. He said to Carson that if you really want the misery of this job, I support you. We are serving the community.

Glenn Harrell said that this is my 5<sup>th</sup> meeting that I've attended today. He told Carson that I truly respect you. I want to support you. Kinoka Ogsbury said I want to thank Anthony Crump. He's done a great job. How can we support them and make the job easier?

To address Garrity's point, Carson said I submitted the motion to the Executive Committee to list the duties. It got kicked back to me. Who are the gatekeepers of the information? The current Executive Committee. I did it because no one else would do that.

Rosa Macke asked Carson whether she would remain on the Bylaws Committee? Carson said no. Crump said DONE doesn't allow bylaws changes so close to the election.

Nina Sorkin said that the Committee name is Bylaws and Standing Rules. Many items should be vetted in that Committee, not on the governing Board. Courshon said maybe one of us will take over for Carson.

**VOTE for Heather Carson as new Co-Chair**  
**15-0-1**  
**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Heather Carson  
Jerome Courson  
Anne-Marie Johnson  
David Modern  
Barbara Ringuette  
Anthony Crump  
Seamus Garrity  
Jeff Wayne  
John Wingler  
Joe Ferrell  
Matthew Desario  
Glenn Harrell  
Kinoka Ogsbury  
Scott Plante  
Helen de la Paz Dion  
Georgine Smith-Goodin  
Jay Bennett

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

John Wingler

(Note that Helen de la Paz Dion is not in the room and did not vote.)

Carson is now Co-Chairing the meeting with Joe Ferrell.

## 6. Elections

**6.1. Discussion and Possible Action:** Motion submitted by the Election Committee that the SLNC chose one of four alternate locations if first two choices described on the Election Stipulation Sheet are not available for the 2016 Neighborhood Council Elections.

Last time at the Board we updated the Board regarding #1. This was iffy, said Ben. The second choice was here but there is a question about the flea market. The Committee proposed an alternative locations list in the motion. Since we sent the Board the motion the Russian church has said no.

Micheltorena Elementary School said it will work. The problem last time was parking but there was available but unused parking space. The Committee wants to keep with the second option that the Board approved. However, it is not the best but it will work.

Courshon asked you prefer Micheltora? Ben said yes.

Johnson said I'm troubled by this. Is it possible that the school could ask the flea market to switch to Sunday or ask the church to host the flea market. It was a disaster. Ben said it wasn't asked of the school.

Johnson said I request that your Committee go back to the school and ask for this.

Ben said we can ask. That's a good idea. We've the past date to submit a permit but the city will allow late submissions but they must be done as soon as possible.

(Note that Helen de la Paz Dion is back in room.)

Courshon said I concur with Johnson. If we need to hold a special governing Board meeting within a week, hopefully we can do that. There were a lot of issues in the last election, including parking. Some people claimed that they couldn't find parking and just gave up. If flea market can't be changed, let's use another of 4 options.

Ben said it would be helpful if you had a list of options. While the last election is a good comparison, this one features on line voting. People have 3 weeks to vote. Courshon said if there are 60 candidates, that could be a record turnout.

Ringuette said that it's a great idea to move the flea market. It may not work but do ask. Parking could be better indicated. Have directionals, she recommended. Another Man on the Election Committee said I will follow up with that. The Principal said parking was designated for the flea market last time but wasn't used.

Smith-Goodin said I concur with Ringuette. About 1,500 people voted last time. Calling it a disaster is a bit much. Anytime you try to cram 1,500 people in 3 hours on this campus that's a problem. Online voting will take a chunk of voters. We need to decide as soon as possible. We must have enough time to publicize the location. That's difficult to overcome.

*Jay Bennett proposed an amendment. We select Micheltorena pending that you ask principle about moving the flea market. Smith-Goodin seconded.*

Ben said there is a short window where they have class from 9am to 10:30am. The parking is available thereafter. Both men visited site after the class and took photos.

There will now be a vote for an amended motion to accept Micheltora as the polling location but the Committee must ask about the flea market being moved and parking at the church.

VOTE for amendment  
16-0-1  
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Heather Carson  
Anne-Marie Johnson  
David Modern  
Barbara Ringuette  
Anthony Crump, Retiring Co-Chair  
Seamus Garrity  
Jeff Wayne  
John Wingler, Treasurer  
Joe Ferrell, Co-Chair  
Matthew Desario  
Glenn Harrell  
Kinoka Ogsbury  
Scott Plante  
Helen de la Paz Dion  
Georgine Smith-Goodin  
Jay Bennett

No Votes:  
None

Abstentions:

Jerome Courshon

Now vote for the amended motion

The Second Election Committee man said all paper work has been filled out to use the church for parking. De la Paz Dion said that for the flea market, they don't use the parking lot. No one parks there.

Harrell asked can voting begin an hour later? That way we won't have a parking issue with St. Francis? Also, do we actually know how busy was it last year? Shift election time to begin at 10am?

**VOTE on amended motion**  
**17-0-0**  
**PASSED**

**6.2. MOTION (Elections):** That the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council approve the Election Committee Outreach Plan. **(Cost: Up to \$4,000)**

The first Election Committee man submitted an outreach plan. There is some question about how it related to elections.

Anthony: you guys did a great job.

**VOTE**  
**16-0-0**  
**PASSED**

(Note that Glenn Harrell is not in the room and did not vote.)

**6.3. Discussion and Possible Action:** Motion from the Elections Committee to approve flyers for the call for candidates in the 2016 Neighborhood Council Election

Ben, the Elections Committee Chair, said there are flyers to get people to run. The Flyer will be English on one side and Spanish on the other. Over 1,000 copies to be printed. However, the filing period began January 30.

Crump moved to call the question. Wingler asked where do I register? Ben said our design outline will have details of where to go. Wingler asked we're voting on something that's not finalized?

Ferrell said "neighborhoods are better when people get involved" would be better language. Carson said you need better language. Also, the logo is tiny. This looks strong and clean. Ringuette said I agree with what Carson said. How about neighborhood with "Silver Lake gets better when..." Ferrell suggested to add a button for registering to vote online.

Kinoka Ogsbury said that if we approve these changes, have the Committee Co-Chairs look at it for final approval.

**VOTE**  
**16-0-0**  
**PASSED**

(Note that Jeff Wayne has left the meeting and did not vote.)

**6.4. Discussion and Possible Action:** Edits and changes the SLNC website to encourage participation in the 2016 Neighborhood Council Election including, but not limited to, creating a portal, new tabs, a banner and advertising at a cost of up to \$150. **(Cost: Up to \$150.00)**

*Courshon seconded Ben's motion.* Ben said we had a Committee member pushing for a mobile ready page for elections. We thought it was a great idea. However, that person is too busy. No one else has the expertise. So, we're using the existing website.

*Ferrell asked Ben are you withdrawing the motion? Ben said yes.*

## **7. Finance and Budget**

**7.1. Discussion and Possible Action:** Approval of January 2015 MER

Treasurer John Wingler asked if there were any questions? Courshon said \$6,117, this is what is remaining of uncommitted funds? Wingler said yes but it's touchy feely. I didn't know that we wouldn't need translation services so there is an extra \$1,500.

*Johnson made a motion to approve. Wingler seconded.*

**VOTE**  
**15-0-1**  
**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Heather Carson  
Jerome Courson  
Anne-Marie Johnson  
David Modern  
Barbara Ringuette  
Anthony Crump  
Seamus Garrity  
John Wingler  
Joe Ferrell  
Matthew Desario  
Kinoka Ogsbury  
Scott Plante  
Helen de la Paz Dion  
Georgine Smith-Goodin  
Jay Bennett

No Votes:

none

Abstentions:  
Glenn Harrell

**7.2. MOTION (Treasurer):** SLNC moves to renew the web site provide contract with GoDaddy for another year at a cost of \$922.86 (**Cost: \$922.86**)

*Crump made the motion. Johnson seconded. Wingler said the bill doesn't include the website.*

**VOTE**  
**16-0-0**  
**PASSED**

## **8. Consent Agenda**

**8.1. MOTION (Johnson): Discussion and Possible Action:** having all NPG recipients submit receipts to the SLNC after the completion of their projects

This was pulled from the Consent Calender. Item 8.2 was also pulled.

*Crump seconded 8.1.*

Smith-Goodin said I appreciate the intent. The problem is that the Treasurer is charged with creating a system with generally accepted accounting principles. The guidelines are not sufficient.

Smith-Goodin said some of the money can go to overhead. An amendment should be based on what receipts are available. There should be a time limit. Crump agreed. Courshon agreed with Crump. Let's keep it simple. We just want accountability, said Courshon. Desario said that he agreed with Courshon.

Smith-Goodin said that when I talked to DONE about this, they advised against this. Based on my conversation with DONE, I agree with Crump.

Johnson suggested to move on. DONE will advise if necessary.

**VOTE**  
**11-3-2**  
**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Heather Carson, New Co-Chair (appointed during this meeting)  
Jerome Courson  
Anne-Marie Johnson, Parliamentarian  
David Modern  
Barbara Ringuette  
Anthony Crump, Retiring Co-Chair (occurs during this meeting)  
Seamus Garrity  
Jeff Wayne  
John Wingler, Treasurer  
Joe Ferrell, Co-Chair  
Matthew Desario  
Glenn Harrell  
Kinoka Ogsbury  
Scott Plante  
Helen de la Paz Dion  
Georgine Smith-Goodin  
Jay Bennett

No Votes:

Kinoka Ogsbury  
Georgene Smith-Goodin  
John Wingler

Abstentions:

Helen de la Paz Dion  
Jay Bennett

8.2. **MOTION (Plante):** The Silver Lake Neighborhood Council (SLNC) would like to urge the Council District 13 to work to preserve the parkway trees at 3008-12 Marathon Street.

Scott Plante said to table this until next month. There is an Urban Design and Historic Preservation Committee meeting coming up.

## 9. Old Business

9.7. **MOTION (Arts & Culture):** The SLNC moves to fund up to \$700 for a community outreach arts project by artist Jonmarc Edwards of Silver Lake's new market gallery using the current show, "The Debriti Show!", as a template for a variety of projects that would engage the Silver Lake stakeholders into using words and artistic means to engage the Silver Lake public.

Jonmarc Edwards described a literary art gallery with lots of visual poetry, installations, performance, etc. The Debriti Show – debris and graffiti – this is the current show.

There will be another performance on Saturday between 1pm and 4pm. We are proposing art minded students in Silver Lake to get involved with technology. It's a way to get kids interested in art and poetry and to become activists in their community.

It's very exciting to get students involved with the language. He's done this work in the past with students.

Johnson asked is this a project that you've done before? Edwards said yes. He wants motivated students, artists, and poets. There is a typographical error in the proposal. My studio can't hold 60 students at a time.

Smith-Goodin noted that the motion said the money comes from outreach. How are we paying the vendors? We should come up with the process on that. It could be for general approval. We need separate funding request forms for each item which explains what's coming from what. She added that she'd originally thought this would be a nonprofit. We can approve the budget.

Ogsbury said we need a plan for outreach. The newsletter doesn't target young adults.

**VOTE**  
**16-0-0**  
**PASSED**

**9.5. MOTION (Governmental Affairs):** Move that the Governmental Affairs Committee adopt the same membership requirements as the SLNC Urban Affairs and Preservation Advisory Committee.

It's 3 of 4 meetings to become a voting member. Barbara seconded. What happens for next 3-4 weeks? Johnson said the first meeting for qualification will begin at the next meeting.

Nina Sorkin asked when does Committee membership end? Johnson said that depends.

**VOTE**  
**14-1-1**  
**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Heather Carson  
Jerome Courson  
Anne-Marie Johnson  
David Modern  
Barbara Ringuette  
Anthony Crump  
Seamus Garrity  
Joe Ferrell  
Matthew Desario  
Glenn Harrell  
Kinoka Ogsbury  
Scott Plante  
Georgine Smith-Goodin  
Jay Bennett

No Votes:

John Wingler

Abstentions:

Helen de la Paz Dion

9.2. **MOTION (Sorkin):** The SLNC moves to allocate up the \$135 to sponsor the second Annual Earth Day Poster Contest at Mayberry Elementary School (Region 1), thus promoting Earth Day in April 2016. **(Cost: \$135).**

*Jay Bennett seconded.*

Smith-Goodin said that this was a great project last year.

**VOTE**  
**15-0-0**  
**PASSED**

(Note that Kinoka Ogsbury left the meeting and did not vote.)

#### **14. Adjournment**

*Ferrell made a motion to adjourn.*

The meeting ended at 10:00pm.