

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Culver Crest Neighborhood Association</b> <b>Minutes of the General Meeting October 1, 2013</b></p>
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Board board members present: Howard Lichtman, Mike Bauer, Kyle Jones, Rich Kissel, Suzanne De Benedittis, Ron Ostrin, Wena Dows, Khin Khin Gyi, Antoine Durr

Board advisors present: Rosie LaBriola, John Kuechle

1. Call to order 7:11pm
  - a. about 80 people present
  - b. board members introduced themselves
  - c. new election terms in office language described
    - i. top 4 vote getters serve 2 years
    - ii. remainder serve for 1 year term
2. Motion to approve minutes, Approved.
3. \$3445.10 balance
  - a. balance is down a couple hundred dollars for printing expenses
  - b. not actively soliciting monies for association
  - c. waiting for emergency preparedness subcommittee needs,
4. El Rincon Elementary
  - a. Rich Kissel introduced Principal Brunson from El Rincon
  - b. STEM (science, technology, engineering, math) but E is engineering and ecology
  - c. recycling, garden,
  - d. with STEM focus, looking at 21st century focus
  - e. make sure students are thinkers, not just fact reciters
  - f. have fabulous science lab
  - g. working with STAR education for support with science lab
  - h. outstanding computer lab, active all day long, every child from TK to 5<sup>th</sup>
  - i. community is invited to help in any way they would like
  - j. Jan-March are kindergarten tours
  - k. come see the kind of work that is done in our classrooms
  - l. the most diverse school in CC
    - i. 30% AA, 30% Latino, 30% Caucasian, Spanish, French, Ethiopian, Portuguese, English!
  - m. API gone up 22 points in 3 years of tenure
  - n. subgroups are outperforming district (AA, Latino) both
  - o. family center that gives counseling (through Didi Hirsch)
  - p. make sure their hearts are happy when they come to class so that they can fill them with knowledge
5. Block Captains, neighborhood watch
  - a. Lt. Jason Simms, and Capt. Ron Iizuka

- b. 20 different blocks, captain on each one
  - c. no crime to report in the last quarter
  - d. neighborhood watch program is working
  - e. happy that we're getting into emergency preparedness
    - i. Lindberg park is model program as they're set up to be self-sufficient in event of major disaster
6. Emergency preparedness subcommittee
- a. break up Crest into 20 different blocks
  - b. emergency prep captains are different from neighborhood watch block captains
  - c. CERT - Community Emergency Response Team, classes taken as individuals to train on what to do
  - d. 20 trained CERT members that will be heading up each of those 20 blocks
  - e. NERTs (neighborhood versions) trained to help neighbors
7. Candidates forum
- a. Participation by Steve Levin, Kathy Paspalis, Suzanne Robins, Claudia Vizcarra, Karlo Silbiger, Vernon Taylor, Robert Zirgulis.
8. Acknowledgements, adjourned 9:17pm.