

# Maxwell Park Neighborhood Council

## Monthly Meeting—Wednesday, Jun 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009

Location: Melrose Leadership Academy

### Meeting Minutes

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### Attendees

Adelle Foley <b>Angela Gums (At Large)</b> <b>Barbara Taylor (Vice Chair)</b> Claire Antonetti Claudette Jaime Debbie Ng Gus Argyropoulos Helen Argyropoulos	<b>Jan Hetherington (Membership)</b> Jean Tokarck Joe Davis <b>Jose Dorado (Past Chair)</b> Joyce Nichelini Keith Gums <b>Kristi Johansen (At Large)</b> Malia Saulala	Michael Haworth Moyra Contreras Nancy Karigaca Robert McGillis Sarah Hipolito <b>Scott Fuller (Treasurer)</b> <b>Shirley Burton (At Large)</b>
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NSC Araina Richards	OPD
PSO Ron Johnson	OPD
Sgt. Michelle Allison	OPD
Policy Analyst Michael Johnson	Oakland City Council
Council Member Desley Brooks	Oakland City Council
Council Member Jean Quan	Oakland City Council

### Welcome Comments & Introductions

Barbara Taylor (Vice Chair) welcomed us, in the absence of Krista Gulbransen (Chair) and called the meeting to order. Ground Rules were presented, & introductions were made. April Minutes not available yet for approval.

### Police Reports

*Police Report – PSO Keith Clement off sick:* PSA Sgt Michelle Allison, PSO Ron Johnson & NSC Araina Richards were present.

Araina/Sgt Allison

- Capt Rachal is leaving PSA 3 & Capt Paul Figueroa will take over. Capt Rachal presented a “Sideshow report” to Capt Kozicki, & if approved, Officers will be available to handle sideshow activity after Jun 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Walked along Pierson (Pierson/MacArthur to become a Priority) to talk to N’bors who were home about the environment there. It is hoped that NW will become active there .... She gave out useful phone Numbers
- June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7pm – there will be a meeting at the LDS Church on Virginia to discuss the resurgence of noise issues
- Important to call in to OPD if you see someone who looks like they are “casing”.
- Jose whether the Priorities go through the SERA process, to try & ensure that we get regular & timely reports back.
- No more info on the Birdsell/Yuba murder

### City & County Representatives

*Councilmember Jean Quan—Michael Johnson reporting:*

- Truancy: Meeting to be held at Frick school to discuss funding for getting kids back to school
- Foreclosures: Teams “walking” the n’hoods to help people who might get hit by adjusting mtg rates
- “Budget Challenge”: Visit Jean’s website to take the Challenge
- Radar Patrol: will be out on High Street on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>, between MacArthur & Foothill

- Info was sent to our email group about Pinnacle Security systems, & those organizations who can legally go door-to-door
- Sidewalk Repairs: there will be a meeting at Miracles Of Faith, Courtland, Thursday June 18<sup>th</sup>

*Councilwoman Desley Brooks:*

- City is broke – reviewing all aspects of City functioning, looking for inefficiencies
- Foothill/Seminary – Designs shown for some potential growth in this corridor
- Pierson Traffic Circle: Design has gone to Construction- it should be completed by July 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Further Traffic incident at Redding/Storer – Jan should be contacted by Traffic engineer for review of this.

*Supervisor Nate Miley's Office—no representative.*

## **Neighborhood Action Teams (NATs)**

- *Traffic NAT—Adelle Foley:* Survey taken at NAT Open House – most popular traffic hotspot is Birdsall, from Camden to Morcom
- *Drugs and Crime-Jose Dorado & Keith Gums:* Crime NAT has taken over the Pierson/MacArthur area (from BnB) because of apparent drugs, maybe some prostitution. Jose has spoken to Officer Dupree from OHA. Report has been forwarded “up”. Desley mentioned needing to have current activities reported, not old issues.
- *Blight & Beautification—Claire Antonetti:* Gateway project (now called Laurel Access for Mills College & Maxwell Park) – meeting tomorrow at Mills to look over consulting plans. Has also met with Habitat who will be working with the land at Calaveras. Next Clean-Up at Courtland Triangle will be June 21<sup>st</sup>, Jan meeting with KOCB (PW) to review the situation along Courtland where major dumping happens.
- *Community Building NAT—(Jan):* Continuing the planning for the 4th annual Day in the Park.  
*Maxwell Park Schools Together—Ashley Thomsak:* MPIA is interviewing for a new Principal. *Moyra Contreras-Melrose* - School recently had a successful Expo to show off academic & extra curricular activities. They held an e-waste recycling event at Walgreens
- *Maxwell Park (the Park) (NAT) – Nancy Karigaca reporting:* Mosaic Party on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>. Start laying tile!!
- *CORE & MPERT Report—No report.*
- *Neighborhood Watch Coordinator – Jan Hetherington reporting:* NNO will be held on August 4th

## **Announcements**

- Minutes Secretary vacancy.
- Community Policing Forum that was to be held June 14<sup>th</sup> has been postponed
- Miracles of Faith dedicating their new “wellness Center” on Sunday Jun 14<sup>th</sup> – planting a new garden, music, food
- ProArts Open Studios this weekend & next
- Laurel Solstice Music Festival on Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup> all along MacArthur
- “The Space” – a new Community arts venue, at 4148 MacArthur

Next meeting – 7/10/2009

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