



Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council
Special Board Meeting Minutes, Wednesday, May 25, 2022
Minutes Approved July 13, 2022

In conformity with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 (March 17, 2020) and due to concerns over COVID-19, this duly noticed meeting was held entirely online and telephonically.

Document copies were shown online and available at www.greaterwilshire.org/BDdocs.

I. WELCOMING REMARKS

A. Call to Order (Conrad Starr)

A duly noticed Meeting of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council ("GWNC") Board of Directors was held online. President Conrad Starr called the meeting to order at 6:31 p. m. and explained procedures.

B. Roll Call (Jennifer DeVore)

The Secretary called the roll. Sixteen of the 20 Board Members or their Alternates were present online at the Roll Call: April Hannon (Alternate for Hayden Conner Ashworth), Raphie Cantor, Patricia Carroll (Treasurer), Charles D'Atri (Vice-President), Jennifer DeVore (Secretary), Helen Eigenberg (Alternate for Cindy Chvatal-Keane), Stephanie Lee, Beau Lloyd (Alternate for Stephanie Shim), Caroline Labiner Moser (Alternate for Gary Gilbert), Juan Portillo Jr., Kelly Rielly (Alternate for Scott Appel), Cathy Roberts, Owen Smith, Conrad Starr (President), Bindhu Varghese and John Winther. Jeffrey Carpenter, Brian Curran, John Gresham and Benny Rosenberg were absent and not represented by an Alternate. The GWNC quorum (the minimum number of Board Members needing to be present to take binding votes on Agendized Items) is 13 (see the Bylaws link at <https://greaterwilshire.org/bylaws-board-rules>), so the Board could take such votes. Twenty of the 21 Board Seats were filled (by election or appointment). One Board Seat was vacant [Area 3 – Country Club Heights; to apply see www.GreaterWilshire.org]. Seven Alternate Seats were vacant. Also attended: approximately eight Stakeholders and guests.

II. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS (Discussion and Possible Action).

- A. Selection of Alternate Signer. DESCRIPTION: In the absence or unavailability of the Treasurer or 2nd Signer, the Alternate Signer can sign Board-approved funding documents to be submitted to the NC Funding Program. POSSIBLE MOTION: The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council selects as its Alternate Signer.

Mr. Starr explained the need and that Ms. DeVore volunteered to be the Alternate Signer.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. D’Atri, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council selects Jen DeVore as its Alternate Signer.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 14 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Cantor, Carroll, D’Atri, DeVore, Eigenberg, Lee, Moser, Portillo, Rielly, Roberts, Smith, Starr, Varghese and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Lloyd). One was ineligible (Hannon) to vote due to not having completed one or more of the required trainings and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

Board Member Hayden Ashworth (replacing his Alternate April Hannon) arrived at this time, making 16 Board Members present online (the GWNC Board quorum was thirteen).

B. Selection of Second Cardholder. **POSSIBLE MOTION:** The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council selects as its 2nd Cardholder.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Ms. DeVore): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council selects Mr. Starr as its Second Cardholder.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 16 eligible voters present with 14 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Ashworth, Cantor, Carroll, D’Atri, DeVore, Eigenberg, Lee, Moser, Portillo, Rielly, Roberts, Smith, Varghese and Winther); zero opposed; two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Lloyd and Starr).

III. AD HOC COMMITTEES (Discussion and Possible Action).

A. NPG Committee

1. Report from the May 22 NPG Ad Hoc Committee Meeting.

Ms. Carroll relayed that the City Attorney said that she didn’t need to recuse from voting regarding HopeNet. Committee Chair Julie Stromberg listed the 10 Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) applications received. The Committee awarded eight NPGs; she explained why two applications were not awarded.

The next Agenda Item addressed was Item #III. 3. B.

2. Report, Discussion, and Motion Regarding Funds for Spring 2022 NPGs. (Julie Stromberg, Patti Carroll).

a) GWNC has a budget of \$5375 for the Spring 2022 NPGs.

The above was noted.

3. Report, Discussion, and Motion Regarding Spring 2020 NPG awards. (Julie Stromberg).

a) **MOTION:** GWNC to award Anderson Munger YMCA a neighborhood purposes grant in the amount of \$500.

[This Agenda Item was addressed after Item # III. A. 3. g.] Mr. Starr noted “2020” s/b “2022.”

Ms. Carroll and Mr. Winther recused from voting (self-declared as/was declared ineligible to participate in or vote on a Motion(s) in this Item due to a possible or known conflict of interest [they are Anderson Munger YMCA Board Members]) and were muted and put on hold at this time, making 14 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online and eligible to vote (the GWNC Board quorum was thirteen). Recusing is not the same as abstaining from voting, which is declining to vote “yes” or “no.”

Ms. Roberts explained that the funding is for blood pressure cuffs.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Roberts): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council awards Anderson Munger YMCA a Neighborhood Purposes Grant in the amount of \$500.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 13 eligible voters present with 11 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Ashworth, Cantor, D’Atri, DeVore, Eigenberg, Lee, Moser, Portillo, Roberts, Smith and Varghese); zero opposed; two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Lloyd and Starr). Two recused and were ineligible to vote (Carroll and Winther).

Ms. Carroll’s and Mr. Winther’s recusals ended and they were unmuted and allowed back in to the meeting at this time, making 13 Board Members present online and eligible to vote (the GWNC Board quorum was thirteen).

Mr. Starr requested and it was agreed to dissolve the NPG Committee.

b) MOTION: GWNC to award First-in-Fire a neighborhood purposes grant in the amount of \$750.

Ms. Julie Stromberg explained this.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Roberts): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council award First-in-Fire a neighborhood purposes grant in the amount of \$750.

_Rielly inel/unavl/lft?

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 13 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Ashworth, Cantor, Carroll, D’Atri, DeVore, Eigenberg, Lee, Moser, Portillo, Roberts, Smith, Varghese and Winther); zero opposed; two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Lloyd and Starr).

c) MOTION: GWNC to award Friends of Wilshire Library a neighborhood purposes grant in the amount of \$600.

Ms. Stromberg explained this.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Roberts): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council awards Friends of Wilshire Library a neighborhood purposes grant in the amount of \$600.

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FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 13 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Ashworth, Cantor, Carroll, D’Atri, DeVore, Eigenberg, Lee, Moser, Portillo, Roberts, Smith, Varghese and Winther); zero opposed; two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Lloyd and Starr).

d) MOTION: GWNC to award Hope-Net a neighborhood purposes grant in the amount of \$1,250.

Mr. Starr explained that / Committee recd \$1,000.

Board Member Gary Gilbert replaced his Alternate Caroline Moser, keeping

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Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present (the GWNC quorum is thirteen).

MOTION to SUSPEND the RULES (by Ms. DeVore, seconded by Mr. Ashworth): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council suspends the rules for Item #s III. 3. D. and f. by allowing a change in the amount allocated from the Committee recommendation of \$1,000 to an allocation of \$1,250.

Mr. Starr noted that 2/3 of Board Members’ votes were needed to approve this.

MOTION to SUSPEND the RULES PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 16 eligible voters present with all 16 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Ashworth, Cantor, Carroll, D’Atri, DeVore, Eigenberg, Lee, Lloyd, Moser, Portillo, Rielly, Roberts, Smith, Starr, Varghese and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained.

Ms. Stromberg explained this.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Roberts): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council awards Hope-Net a neighborhood purposes grant in the amount of \$1,250.

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FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 13 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Ashworth, Cantor, Carroll, D’Atri, DeVore,

Eigenberg, Lee, Moser, Portillo, Roberts, Smith, Varghese and Winther); zero opposed; two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Lloyd and Starr).

- e) MOTION: GWNC to award Open Arms a neighborhood purposes grant in the amount of \$500.

Ms. Stromberg explained this.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Roberts): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council awards Open Arms a neighborhood purposes grant in the amount of \$500.

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FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 13 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Ashworth, Cantor, Carroll, D’Atri, DeVore, Eigenberg, Lee, Moser, Portillo, Roberts, Smith, Varghese and Winther); zero opposed; two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Lloyd and Starr).

- f) MOTION: GWNC to award St. Vincent's Meals on Wheels a neighborhood purposes grant in the amount of up to \$1,250.

Ms. Stromberg explained this.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Ashworth): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council awards St. Vincent's Meals on Wheels a neighborhood purposes grant in the amount of up to \$1,250.

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FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 13 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Ashworth, Cantor, Carroll, D’Atri, DeVore, Eigenberg, Lee, Moser, Portillo, Roberts, Smith, Varghese and Winther); zero opposed; two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Lloyd and Starr).

- g) MOTION: GWNC to award The Ebell of Los Angeles a neighborhood purposes grant in the amount of \$500.

Ms. Stromberg explained this.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Roberts): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council awards The Ebell of Los Angeles a neighborhood purposes grant in the amount of \$500.

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FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 13 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Ashworth, Cantor, Carroll, D’Atri, DeVore, Eigenberg, Lee, Moser, Portillo, Roberts, Smith, Varghese and Winther); zero opposed; two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Lloyd and Starr).

The next Item addressed was Item #III. A. 3. a).

IV. OUTREACH COMMITTEE (Discussion and Possible Action) (Chair: Colette Amin).

A. Discussion and Possible Motion: To approve business cards and up to \$500 for printing business cards.

Ms. Amin confirmed that the cards are for Board Members.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Ashworth): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will purchase business cards for up to \$500 including business cards for outreach events.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Starr explained design options.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 16 eligible voters present with 14 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Ashworth, Cantor, Carroll, D’Atri, DeVore, Eigenberg, Gilbert, Lee, Portillo, Rielly, Roberts, Smith, Varghese and Winther); zero opposed; two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Lloyd and Starr).

Ms. Roberts agreed for Board Members to email their business card requests to her.

B. Discussion and Possible Motion: To approve creation of a renters’ trifold like the homelessness trifold and to approve \$500 for the printing of renter information trifold. (Hayden Ashworth & April Hannon Renters Reps).

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Ashworth, seconded by Ms. DeVore): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves creation and printing of [HA/JD/CS CLARIFY: WORDING] trifold for \$500.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Ashworth, Ms. Hannon and Ms. Amin explained the purpose. Ms. Varghese recommended noting on the trifold the publication date, as in “effective . . .”

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 16 eligible voters present with 10 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Ashworth, Cantor, Carroll, Eigenberg, Gilbert, Lee, Portillo, Roberts, Starr, Varghese and Winther); zero opposed; six abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (D’Atri, DeVore, [ADD ONE OF THE “YES”s] Lloyd, Rielly and Smith).

V. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action).

- A. Discussion and Possible Action to purchase two Logitech Mevo Start live streaming video cameras and two floor stands for up to \$1,150.00 for live streaming of GWNC meetings, town halls, and other GWNC-approved events.

Mr. Starr explained that “these would belong to the Board” and how they can work. Cameras cost \$399 each; camera stands cost \$75 each.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Roberts, seconded by MCD): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the purchase of two Logitech Mevo Start live streaming video cameras and two floor stands for up to \$1,150.00 for live streaming of GWNC meetings, town halls, and other GWNC-approved events.

Board Member Owen Smith had left by this time (7:47), making 15 Board Members present online (the GWNC Board quorum is thirteen).

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 12 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Ashworth, Cantor, Carroll, D’Atri, DeVore, Eigenberg, Lee, Moser, Portillo, Roberts, Varghese and Winther); zero opposed; three abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Lloyd, Rielly and Starr).

VI. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Upcoming GWNC Board Meeting. The next GWNC General Board Meeting will be held at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, June 8, 2022 via Zoom ID #966 7700 1434.

Mr. Starr noted the above.

Mr. Starr declared and the Board agreed to **ADJOURN** the Meeting at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
David Levin, Minutes Writer

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