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Governing Board Members:**

TBD, President  
Velinda Rockello, Vice President  
TBD, Treasurer  
Uver Santa Cruz, Secretary  
David Rockello, Comm Int Rep  
William Greene, Business Rep  
Ángela Joo, Homeowner Rep  
Mitchell Gutman, Res Tenant Rep  
Dom Dacong, At-Large Rep  
Carlos Villa, At-Large Rep  
Joselyn G Rosenthal, CBO Rep



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NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

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***RAMPART VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL***

**General Board Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, July 12, 2016 – 6:00 PM

**Meeting Location**

Gladys Burns Conference Room # 224 at 155 N. Occidental Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90026  
(Cross streets: Beverly Blvd. and Temple St.)

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**I. WELCOMING REMARKS**

- a. **Call to Order:** Velinda Rockello, Vice President, called the meeting to order at 6pm
- b. **Flag Salute:** The pledge of allegiance was recited

**II. LOCAL REPORTS: None Seen, None Heard**

(Representatives from government offices, police departments and community based organizations)

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: None Seen, None Heard**

**IV. MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:**

- 1) **Discussion and/or Possible Action on** - The resignation of the RVNC Treasurer Angela Joo, on June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016, & the resignation of the President, Carlos villa on 6/28/16.
  - o Joselyn makes a motion to accept the resignation of Angela. Uver Santa Cruz seconds the motion. Joselyn withdraws her motion since there was no need for it.
  - o Margarita Fernandez (stakeholder), would like to know the reasons for their resignation. citing the past, wants to know if the resigning board members are considering rescinding their resignation.

- The board retreat, meant to build a dialogue and trust amongst all of the Board is brought up. Stakeholder does not believe that the retreat alone will solve the internal Board's issues.
  - Carlos Villa (former President) brings up very serious communications issues between the Board & the VP, and the Secretary, Uver Santa Cruz corroborates that there may have been issues.
  - Angela Joo points out that she was very eager to be the Treasurer and make the community better. However, she felt overwhelmed with months' worth of paperwork and did not know that some of the work could be outsourced. She felt that such difficulties could be fixed and overcome.
  - Brings up the benefits of having a paid Recording Secretary and/or Treasurer. It would make it "easier for Board members to do their jobs."
  - Lincoln Heights Treasurer, Ms. Vera Padilla, is introduced as an Apple-One employee that is assigned by the DONE-Funding Department to help to reconcile all past MER's.
    - **No Action Taken**
- 2) **Discussion and/or Possible Action on** - Declaration of the vacant Executive positions
- David makes a motion to declare the Executive positions vacant. Joselyn seconds the motion.
    - **President Vacant, Treasurer Vacant**
- 3) **Discussion and/or Possible Action on** - Possible appointment of one Business Representative and one Student Youth Representative.
- The public has been made aware of the vacancies at last meeting & on Constant Contact.
  - Joselyn nominates Jose Sanchez. David makes a motion to vote on Jose's appointment, seconded by Uver.
    - ✓ **Approved; Jose Sanchez** is selected as the **Student Youth Representative. 8-0-0**
  - The selection of one Business Representative
    - **Tabled until the next General meeting**
- 4) **Discussion and/or Possible Action on** - Nominations for Executive Board positions.
- David Rockello is nominated to be President. By William Greene 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joselyn Geaga
  - Carmen Medina (stakeholder) brings up the fact Velinda Rockello is the VP of this NC & questions whether married couples should serve on the same NC together
  - Additionally Carmen sites that according to the Bylaws, to be an Executive Board member on The RVNC, a person cannot be a Board member on another neighborhood council.
  - David is serving on EPNC as Vice Chair
  - The City Attorney's office will be contacted.
  - Carlos nominated Uver Santa Cruz; no 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - David points out that Uver has not resigned from that position a yet and both are ineligible; no other nominations were made at this time
    - **The selection is tabled to next meeting**
- 5) **Discussion and/or Possible Action on** - Selection of Treasurer.
- Mitchel is nominated by David. Joselyn seconds the nomination. Mitchell accepts the motion.
  - A motion is made to close the nominations.
    - ✓ **Approved; Mitchell Gutman** is selected the **Treasurer. 8-0-0-2**
- 6) **Discussion and/or Possible Action on** - Cardholder selection. Cooperation between the Cardholder and the Treasurer is emphasized.
- Ms. Padilla offers her support. She offers help to with the Board's budget, past and future, and outreach.
  - Motion to make the Treasurer the Cardholder by? The motion is 2<sup>nd</sup> by?.
    - ✓ **Approved; Treasurer** is the **Cardholder; 8-0-0-2**
- 7) **Discussion and/or Possible Action on** - Selection of the Board's Representative to the Executive meetings. The goal is to have a quorum of three with an Executive committee of five Board members.
- Nomination that William Greene is made by David Rockello; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Velinda Rockello
  - The purpose of the position is discussed and its value is put into question by Carmen Medina
    - ✓ **Approved; William Greene** is the **Board's Rep; 8-0-0-2**
- 8) **Discussion and/or Possible Action on** - The Board retreat August 13<sup>th</sup> set as a possible date

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS: None Seen, None Heard

VI. ADJOURNMENT at: 7:40pm