

Special Outreach Committee Minutes

Thursday, June 18, 2026 at 7:00 PM

In Person

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1) WELCOMING REMARKS

- a) Call to Order, Sherry McCoy, 7:21pm
- b) Roll Call, Present (Board): Sherry McCoy, Karen Moran, Leny Freeman, Dante Calvo.
Absent: Mark Seigel, Melissa Sagastume, Barry Glover.
 - *Also present:* Cindy Cleghorn (Board member), Mapi Moran and Holly Maas (Members of the Community (MCs)). Mapi is a former STNC Board member.

2) CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

- a) 4th of July Parade Update. A discussion took place with comments from all. The Parade is going forward. Donations have been given by community members and businesses and the total now is \$18,000. One community member donated \$5,000 alone. STNC has donated \$3,000 which is included in the \$18,000. There are many smaller donations also. The Parade will have the support of the LAPD and include the motorcycle event. Again, there is an emphasis on not having any water related events that have created problems in previous years. Meetings continue at Caruso's Restaurant on Tuesdays at 7pm. Ross Herman is attending these meetings and giving STN updates. The Rotary Club leads the parade and they are looking for volunteers during the event. Cindy noted that the STNC Committees will have "floats" in the parade, and STNC will also, but STNC members will be in cars. No trailer (hay bales, etc.) are planned this year.

3) GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS. Items below discussed with comments from Cindy, Holly, Dante, Sherry and Mapi.

- a) There was a discussion about how successful the recent Town Hall was. The STAT committee hosted the event and there were about 35 people present with much support from the local Police and others involved in street safety. Another Town Hall is planned with the topic still in discussion. It was noted that this Town Hall was held at 4pm to accommodate City employees work hours.
- b) The new Verdugo Hills pool is becoming more popular with time and is already a valued part of the community.
- c) Leny noted that someone is pulling out the tubes from the dog bag dispensers.
- d) Cindy said that there are projects that are going up on a continual basis where permits are not pulled and changes identified. The Land Use Committee reviews projects on an on-going basis and needs more people to join and become involved.

4) **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

- a) Review and Adoption of Outstanding Minutes. Dante made a motion to approve the previous minutes, Sherry seconded, a vote was taken which passed.
- b) Budget review - Estimated balance for FY2025 \$9,764.96. Cindy highlighted the approximate balance and said that we will have to have a special meeting to set the budget which has not been done yet. Dane asked about making purchases for an item already approved. Cindy noted that Lydia and Karen both have credit cards and in the worst case Dante could pay himself and be reimbursed.

5) **OLD BUSINESS**

- a) Update on Community Survey - Dante to share responses so far. Dante noted that he and Melissa are working together to organize the survey.
- b) Pop Up Events at various restaurants or coffee shops.
 - i) Any ideas for the timing and location for the next in person event? Karen noted that using the Sunland Park 'office' was done in the past successfully. There is a table available and the room is quiet for discussions.
- c) 4th of July Parade - Float Decorating Ideas & Volunteer Organizing. Discussed already.

6) **NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action)**

- a) National Night Out - August 4th.
 - I) Volunteers needed for set up, event, and clean up
 - II) **Motion to approve up to \$300** for buttons to giveaway at National Night Out. Buttons are new, local artists? A motion was made by Dante, Seconded by Leny, a vote taken which passed.
 - III) **Motion to approve up to \$500** for the American Legion Post 377 for sound system support for the event.
- b) Other upcoming events:
 - i) Verdugo Hills Pool Movie Night - August 22nd (tentative). Volunteers needed for table coverage
 - ii) Burgers, Brews, and Blues at McGroarty Arts Center - August 22nd. Volunteers needed for table coverage. Sherry noted this date was in conflict with Movie Night.
 - i) Discuss possible Community Town Hall in October at the Elk's Lodge. Cindy noted that another Town Hall is planned for sometime before the General Board meeting on October 14, 2026. The Topic is still in discussion (TBD).
- c) July STNC Newsletter - items/ideas for inclusion. Dante asked for any info to include in the next newsletter.; general suggestions made about including upcoming events.
- d) Requests for possible future agenda items. Dante made suggestions for Halloween events and the possibility of awarding 'best decorated' house awards/certificates.

7) **Next Outreach Meeting:** Thursday, July 16, 2026 , will be virtual.

8) **ADJOURN**, 8:15pm.