

**Sunland Tujunga Neighborhood Council  
Special Board Meeting  
February 9, 2022**

1. **Call to Order, Welcome** - Lydia Grant, President at 6:11 pm  
Spanish Translator introduced. Armenian Translator requested but did not show.
2. **Roll Call, Voting Eligibility** - Carol Hutchinson, Secretary

<b>Board Member</b>	<b>Roll Call</b>	<b>Funding Voting Eligibility</b>	<b>Board Appointment</b>
Lydia Grant	Present	Yes	President
Lallah Rowe	Present	Yes	1st Vice President-CIGA
Karen Perdue	Present	Yes	2nd Vice President - Outreach
Ed Babakhanian	Present	Yes	Treasurer
Carol Hutchinson	Present	Yes	Secretary
Mark Seigel	Present	Yes	At-Large Group Representative
Leny Freeman	Present	Yes	Region 1 Representative
K.T. Travers	Absent	Not on funding	Region 1 Representative
Trevor Schmidt	Present	Yes	Region 2 Representative
Claire Gordon	Present	Yes	Region 2 Representative
Jon von Gunten	Present	Yes	Region 3 Representative
Karen Moran	Present	Yes	Region 3 Representative
Cheryl Schmidt	Present	Yes	Region 4 Representative
Belinda Woodruff	Present	Yes	Region 4 Representative
Stakeholder Group Rep	Vacant		
Nina Royal	Present	Yes	STSERVS
Cindy Cleghorn	Present	Yes	STSH Community Fund
Chris Rowe	Present	Yes	Toastmasters
Shirley Kim	Absent	Yes	Shekinah Church
Michelle Wadler	Present	Yes	Apperson PTA
Stakeholder Group Rep	Vacant		
Quorum: 11 17 present at roll call			

3. **(Originally Item 5 on agenda-moved up due to lack of translator for other items)**  
**Discussion/Possible Action:** That the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council requests that the City Council through their Legislative process requests that the State of California require manufacturers of batteries to ethically and environmentally-friendly source the materials to make batteries. It is paramount that the sourcing of these materials in the supply chain be verified and that these batteries do not become "Blood

Batteries”.

<https://www.amnesty.org/en/latest/news/2021/02/amnesty-urges-bold-action-to-clean-up-the-battery-industry/>

<https://www.nytimes.com/2021/11/29/world/congo-cobalt-albert-yuma-mulimbi.html>

<https://www.newyorker.com/magazine/2021/05/31/the-dark-side-of-congos-cobalt-rush>

Public Comment: None

**Item 3 Motion** That the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council requests that the City Council through their Legislative process requests that the State of California require manufacturers of batteries to ethically and environmentally-friendly source the materials to make batteries. It is paramount that the sourcing of these materials in the supply chain be verified and that these batteries do not become “Blood Batteries”.

**Motion: Hutchinson Second: Royal**

Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L. Rowe, Perdue, Babakhanian, Hutchinson, Freeman, T, Schmidt, Gordon, von Gunten, Moran, Woodruff, C. Schmidt, Wadler,, C. Rowe, Royal, Cleghorn, Siegal  17 yes, 0 no, 2 absent					Travers Kim

**4. (Originally Item 3) Discussion/Possible Action:** Mt. Gleason Middle School proposed changes.

Lydia Grant read motion for Letter to LAUSD

Public comment: Tina, Monica Vacas, Angelica Lopez, Robert (NVMI), Lara Reyes, Cecilia Vida, Mark Dutton, Ana (NVMI), Susan.

Karen Perdue moved to amend letter to remove paragraph 4. Lallah Rowe seconded. Ed Babakhanian asked that first sentence remain.

Ed Babakhanian moved to amend to add additional sentence to paragraph 4. Motion withdrawn.

**Item 4. Motion to amend letter to remove paragraph 4.**

**Motion: Perdue Second: L. Rowe**

Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L. Rowe, Perdue, Babakhanian, Hutchinson, Freeman, T, Schmidt, Gordon, von Gunten, Moran, Woodruff, C. Schmidt, Wadler, Kim, C. Rowe, Royal, Cleghorn, Siegal, Kim  18 yes, 0 no, 1 absent					Travers

**5. (Originally Item 4) Discussion/Possible Action:** That STNC board approves letter to LAUSD.

Public Comment: see above item 4.

KT Travers present at 7 pm

<b>Item 5. Motion to approve letter to LAUSD as amended.</b>					
<b>Motion: Perdue    Second: L. Rowe</b>					
Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L. Rowe, Perdue, Babakhanian, Hutchinson, Freeman, Travers, T, Schmidt, Gordon, von Gunten, Moran, Woodruff, C. Schmidt, Wadler, Kim, C. Rowe, Royal, Cleghorn, Seigel, Kim  19 yes, 0 no, 0 absent					

Lydia Grant recommended that all concerned individuals send emails to: [Prop39@LAUSD.net](mailto:Prop39@LAUSD.net)

**6. Discussion/Possible Action:** That the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council requests that the City Council through their Legislative process requests that the State of California mandates that all new EVs have their charge ports located on the passenger side of the vehicle.

**Item postponed.**

**7. ADJOURN at 7:09 pm**