

Griffith Park Advisory Board  
Workshop/Retreat  
MONDAY APRIL 24th 2017, 6:30pm  
Griffith Park Visitor's Center Auditorium  
4730 Crystal Springs Drive [L.A.CA](#), 90027

Comments from the public on Agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the Agenda that is within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction will be heard during the Public Comment period. All Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, for a maximum of 20 minutes total, unless waived by the presiding Officer of the Board.

Note: Agenda items may be taken out of order or merged as deemed appropriate by Board. All items for Discussion and Action unless otherwise noted.

Welcome and Introductions

Meeting called to order at 6:40 PM.

1. Roll Call

Present: Susan, Don, Kris, Ron, Lucinda, Laura, Chip, Greg, Jamie, Chris. Absent: Sheila

2. Approval of Minutes

Approval of Minutes from last meeting are tabled until the next regular meeting on Thursday.

3. Introductions of each member; why like the park, etc.

Each member introduced himself/herself and added remarks about connections to the park.

4. Comments from any City, County, State or Federal representatives in attendance

None were in attendance.

5. Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (2 minutes each)

No public comments.

6. Workshop / Retreat

Review, discussion and possible actions regarding functionality and role of GPAB Policies and Procedures including but not limited to Brown Act responsibilities, PAB Handbook, Vision Plan, Bylaws, Rosenberg Rules of Order; official communications; responsibilities of Executive Committee; Board Members. Assign Liaisons to groups/agencies and determine responsibilities. Role of the Vision Plan. Possible Ad Hoc committees. Role of GPAB in assisting decision-making of RAP/Parks Commission; fundraising opportunities, exploration, and outreach; ongoing Calendar of Events, website, email list

The Workshop commenced at 6:50 PM.

1. Discussion of committees

Don announced that these were the Standing Committees from the Minutes over the last two years: Transportation, Signage, Wildlife and Habitat.

A discussion of what constituted an Ad Hoc Committee ensued. The group concluded that an Ad Hoc committee generally does not include a member of the Public for Brown Act reasons, but can include an expert to be consulted on the topic at hand.

2. Meeting procedures

A discussion followed about Rosenberg's Rules of Order and how meetings should be conducted. Members were concerned that Board items on the Agenda shouldn't become conversations, but that the proper sequence should be 1) Agenda Item, 2) Board Discussion, 3) Public Comment, 4) Board action.

3. Vision Plan for Griffith Park

Don presented a list of accomplishments by GPAB and the Park during the last 2 years:

The Bylaws were written by GPAB.

The Park Ranger force has been increased.

Recycled water has been brought to Vermont Canyon

A new park Traffic Plan has been adopted without opening any closed Park roads.

The 2024 Olympics plan removed Griffith Park as an event site.

Historic structures were documented

The use of rodenticides by park concessionaires has been halted.

New Park signage has been installed.

The Landscaping at the Los Feliz Boulevard entrance has been modified to inhibit adverse affects of historic trees.

Don also listed items awaiting action which include the identification of contiguous privately held property.

4. Don introduced the role of the Vision Plan and emphasized that the Plan and the evolution of it going forward define our mission as the GPAB. A discussion followed.

5. A discussion followed about which organizations should have liaisons from our Board. The concern was that we learn about actions and other things after the fact. Board members volunteered to be liaisons to various organizations and entities:

Chris - GP venues including the Greek and the Observatory.

Kris - Autry

Greg - Digital

Ron - CD4

Don - History (continuing what he's done so far)

Susan - DWP

6. It was decided that election of officers would take place at the regular meeting on Thursday, April 27.

Meeting was adjourned.