



February 2024 Membership and Board Meeting Agenda  
Thursday February 1st, 2024  
7:00 pm in the Theatre

1. Greeting and Meeting Opening
  - a. Called to order at: 7:03pm
  - b. Members Present: Bob, Nicole, Angela, John, Henry, Ashley, Holly,
  - c. Members Absent: Chelle, Tobi, Walter
  - d. Approve January Minutes
    - i. Motioned by Holly, seconded by Ashley; minutes adopted 7-0
2. New PLBRA Office- update
  - a. Need to settle WiFi service issue
  - b. Awaiting firm date for move - Angela will lead
  - c. Will propose current office clean-out date
    - i. Book sale TBD- led by Wendy Werris
  - d. Holly and Angela will coordinate a walk through week of Feb 5th
3. Congressional Candidate- CD30- Nick Melvoin
  - a. <https://www.nickmelvoin.com/> ; [nick@nickmelvoin.com](mailto:nick@nickmelvoin.com)
  - b. Local Angelino and educator who then went to law school and worked in the Obama administration before coming back home. Represents our neighborhood now as our LAUSD School Board delegate
  - c. Top Issues: Support for students in and out of home, climate/greening, support for those experiencing homelessness
  - d. Time for a change in Washington and time for a generational change as the issues have changed and our generation now has a less promising outlook than the generations before us.
  - e. Endorsed by Henry Waxman; works under coalitions to work to solve problems- leadership takes creative and collaborative decision making.
  - f. Beverly Press [profile](#)
4. Current Issues:
  - a. none
5. Guest Speaker Updates, possibly including:
  - a. Asm. Rick Chavez-Zbur, AD 51- tabled
  - b. Katy Young Yaroslavsky, CD 5- Michelle Flores
    - i. Soliciting feedback for park improvements coming soon via online link
    - ii. Streetlamp repairs are taking at least 90 days which is unacceptable so the office is highlighting extra funds for street light repairs.
    - iii. Water damage issues should go to Sanitation at 800-773-2489
    - iv. Seismic Tower status- still under investigation

- c. Daniel Park, Supervisor Holly J. Mitchell's office- tabled
- d. Academy Museum – Eden Bui (or colleague)- tabled

6. Committee Updates:

a. Communications Committee:

- i. Social media: Ashley will help lead socials and web!
- ii. Newsletter Timeline:

Print Month	Content & Ads Due	Print to Kay	Delivery
March 2nd	February 13th	February 21st	March 2nd

b. Community Services

- i. Gym/Pool Updates: They are waiting for parts to connect the cable back to the cardio machines and searching for the missing 12lb dumbbell and rope accessories. Electrical construction and such are still taking place, plans to re-floor/tile the exercise class room.
- ii. Major Headline: Gym rate increase of \$20/month
  - 1. Motion by Nicole for PLBRA to take an official position for PLBRA to formally oppose and grieve the \$20 monthly increase. Seconded by Bob Shore.
 

Discussion

    - a. John requested a gym/pool split
    - b. Wendy requested a senior discount
    - c. Holly never received the communication.
    - d. Bob wants to include this in the newsletter
    - e. Motion passed 7-0

c. Security Committee

**i. . Suggestion Box**

Problem: Need easy way to suggest ideas to improve PLB

Solution: Suggestion Box email set up with PLBRA

- Open to all residents. Not anonymous (no way to ensure).
- Residents multiply the eyes/ears/nose/brain of PLB management.
- Constructive ideas clearly stating the problem and solution(s).
- All reasonable suggestions will be communicated to PLB
- Option to welcome follow-up contact, or not.

**ii. Tower Basement Doors Open:** Intruders access the towers through unlocked basement doors. Can these doors be locked from outside?

**iii. Cluttered Porches.** An eyesore and fire hazard. Also, porch clutter hints at possible hoarding inside the apartment causing an even larger fire hazard. Can PLB inspect/confirm no hoarding inside?

**iv. License Plate Readers (LPR).** PLB may want to do it someday and PLBRA should have a thoughtful opinion ready. Many articles discuss the pros & cons of LPRs. Hidden issues. Further research.

**v, Getting to Know Our Security Officers**

Similar to LAPD outreach programs, PLB patrol can do the same with the aim of getting to know each other better. This will help improve communication, goodwill, and security.

- d. Movie Committee
  - i. Trained on running projection + PA system
  - ii. Awaiting 2024 list of rules from studios
    - 1. Please note that we will never be permitted to show first-run movies.
  - iii. Restart in mid-February
- e. Health Fair Committee
  - i. Committee Update:
    - 1. Event March 10th from Noon-3pm
    - 2. Collecting interest to host booths now- email [secretary@plbra.org](mailto:secretary@plbra.org)
  - ii. Next Meeting: February 5th 5:30 let [secretary@plbra.org](mailto:secretary@plbra.org) know if you want to join

#### 7. President's report

- a. Brief presentation on behalf of Homes Guarantee program (3-5 minutes)
  - i. Contact Information: <https://homesguarantee.com/white-house/>
  - ii. [benc@groundgamela.org](mailto:benc@groundgamela.org)
- b. March 28, 2024, Town Hall with Councilwoman Katy Yaroslavsky
- c. Bob anticipates that his firm will provide pro bono legal services to defend unlawful detainer actions. He does not know whether he will be able to give Park La Brea residents priority in obtaining those services.

#### 8. Vice President's Report-

- a. Excited to serve in this role!
- b. Will be scheduling time to meet with Angela, Bob, and other team members to see the past things Ramiro was involved in / worked on so I can either continue or revamp.
- c. Taking over Socials/Web management
- d. Membership/resident appreciation hand off TBD

#### 9. Treasurer's Report- *Please note this is pending some forensic accounting and access to BofA account.*

- a. Balance: \$19,305.44
- b. Expenses: \$4024.46 (includes Dec. newsletter printing/delivery)
- c. Revenue: \$422.68 (mostly dues payments)
- d. Bank Account Status: Awaiting documentation for access
- e. Fundraising Strategy:
  - 1. Target = 5 meetings in February
  - 2. Awaiting Hackman response

#### 10. Secretary's Report

- a. Membership Update-
  - i. 117 paid members for 2024
- b. View all upcoming meeting dates [HERE](#)

#### 11. Public Comment by PLBRA Members and Guests

- a. Don confirmed membership payment and next meeting dates

12. Good of the Order shared by PLBRA Officers

- a. Bylaw amendment for consideration: Bob shared that a new membership year would begin the day after the annual meeting and end on the date of the next annual meeting; this proposal will also allow renewals beginning Oct 1st. Bob will float formal language at the next meeting
- b. Next Meetings:
  - i. March 7th in person

13. Adjourn: motioned by Angela, John seconded, Meeting adjourned at 8:06pm