

**North Westdale Neighborhood Association**  
**Minutes for March 29, 2017 - by Joan Winters - Secretary**

*Called to order: 7:00 PM*

*Approval of October 26, 2016 and January 25, 2017 Meeting Minutes--Tabled Announcements, Public Comment. - None*

*Attendance: Approximately 25*

*President's Report and SMO Airport Report:* Martin Rubin spoke briefly about how he had hoped that our Los Angeles City Councilmember Mike Bonin would be able to attend this meeting since we had advertised it in the NWNA newsletter, but unfortunately he had to decline at the last minute due to family commitments. On SMO, he conveyed his disappointment with the City of Santa Monica and the FAA for the, at least, 12-year extension of the airport's closure and the adverse effects he feels will be subjected onto our community by their mutual agreement. He also mentioned the importance of neighborhood involvement, and that in the crime report that he compiles there were fewer crimes. He mentioned the annual NWNA elections in May and mentioned that, so far, no one has stepped forward to run for office. He also mentioned that the four current officers would most likely serve for another term if no one runs for office.

*Guest Speaker:*

*Len Nguyen, Senior Field Deputy from Councilmember Bonin's office.* Len presided over the meeting for the better part of an hour informing us about current activities in CD 11, and answering questions from attendees regarding their concerns in North Westdale. Neighbors brought up cut-through traffic problems, such as cars speeding and going through stop signs and Len mentioned that during peak cut-through traffic time, police presence is needed. He also discussed with us homeless encampments, no legal sleeping in vehicles, and oversized overnight vehicle parking. Len had mentioned that some of the overnight 2 AM to 6 AM restricted parking signs were mistakenly worded as far as describing the vehicles that are oversized.

For the remainder of the meeting, several neighbors brought up the current situation with Santa Monica Airport, and one neighbor encouraged Len Nguyen to relay to Mike Bonin to encourage our City Attorney Mike Feuer to represent Los Angeles. Len presented a certificate of appreciation to Martin Rubin and Joan Winters for their 15-year work as founders of Concerned Residents Against Airport Pollution.

*Adjournment: 8:20 PM*