

North Westdale Neighborhood Association
Minutes for October 26, 2016 - by Joan Winters - Secretary

Called to order: 7:05 PM

Approval of June 22, 2016 and July 27, 2016 meeting minutes. Passed without any corrections or additions.

Announcements, Public Comment. - None

Attendance: Approximately 30

President's Report and Airport Committee Report: Martin Rubin gave a brief report. He announced that our next meeting is scheduled for January 26, 2017 and that the principals of Richland Elementary and Daniel Webster Middle School are the invited guest speakers. He tied in the Airport Committee report to this report to save time, and asked people to phone or email him with questions about SM airport, as issues are happening there quickly.

Len Nguyen from Councilmember Mike Bonin's office was in attendance.

Guest Speaker: Pacific Division Senior Lead Officer Adrian Acosta--L.A. Police Dept. Officer Acosta brought crime maps from our area for us to review. He explained the map and spoke about recent crimes. FYI - vandalism isn't recorded on the crime maps. He noted that there were 9 burglaries in the time period of the map and that 5 out of the 9 were preventable, because the victims hadn't locked their doors or windows. Also interesting that he said a lot of the break-ins took place in the daylight hours, between noon and 6 PM. He spoke and fielded questions for the better part of an hour. Officer Acosta and Len Nguyen spoke together about the homeless situation and people living in parked vehicles on our streets, and they spoke about restricted parking signs (from 2:am to 6:am) going up in our area (acquired through petitioning your neighbors). Officer Acosta mentioned that on the afternoon of Sunday, November 6, 3:00 PM; all are welcome to join him in a neighborhood walk-through to assess our area. The meeting place is the corner of Clarkson and Federal by St. Andrew's Church.

Adjournment: 8:05 PM (although there was an informal chat session after the meeting.)