

BOARD OFFICERS:

Quintus Jett, Vice President
Dorsay Dujon, Secretary
Blake Lynch,
Parliamentarian
Brian Piatek, Treasurer
Vacant, President

City of Los Angeles



BOARD MEMBERS:

Quintus Jett, At-Large Representative (2027)
Julio Valdez, At-Large Representative (2027)
Dorsay Dujon, At-Large Representative (2025)
Vacant, At-Large Representative (2025)
Steven Meeks, At-Large Representative (2025)
Tora Miller, Homeowner Representative (2027)
Brian Piatek, Homeowner Representative (2025)
Brandy A. Robinson, Business Representative (2027)
Connie Thomas, Community Interest Representative (2025)
Jennifer Walker, Educational Representative (2027)
Blake Lynch, At-Large Representative (2027)
Phillip Wiley, Youth Representative (2025)
Richard Williams, Business Representative (2025)
Jace Dawson, At-Large Representative (2027)
Angela Gilbert, At-Large Representative (2025)

**West Adams Neighborhood Council
Board regular meeting minutes
October 16, 2023**

Draft minutes — not yet approved

[6:35 pm] Meeting called to order. John Ma presiding.

[6:35 pm] The roll was called.

Present (8): Dorsay Dujon, Quintus Jett, Marcia Jones, Blake Lynch, John Ma, Steven Meeks, Brian Piatek, and Richard Williams

Absent (5): Jace Dawson, Tora Miller, Brandy A. Robinson, Connie Thomas, and Phillip Wiley

[6:39 pm] Blake Lynch read Robert's Rules of Order provided by Robert's Rules Made Easy

[6:40 pm] Stake holder Comment - Can the WANC Board look into alternate meeting spaces? Also asked for clarity on Roberts Rules.

[6:42 pm] Stakeholder Comment: Why are elected officials not showing up to meetings? How does WANC fill the vacant seats?

[6:43 pm] Herman Jones - State Assembly Rep

Introduction to the services that Rep Isaac Bryan's office provides
He discussed the shared the role and responsibility of state assembly reps to their constituents.

Shared information on AB421 that will take effect in 2025

[6:45 pm] Jessica Fox New LA Charter VP - Shared information on the school's opening.
TK - 5th grade
Virtual Open House is October 19th @6:30

[6:47 pm] Johnathan Mitchell - CD 10 Rep

Reported that the Vineyard Lights are down due to materials stolen from the main control box.

Mitchell will connect with Officer Whiteman to have increased patrol in area to combat

racing and other crimes

RVs parked at park on Boden St have been removed

Library Trash and RV's have been removed

[6:52 pm] Marcia Jones resigned the from WANC board effectively immediately.

[6:52 pm] Tora Miller arrived at the meeting

[6:53 pm] DD Watts, Running for school board
Introduced herself to the board and stakeholders

[6:53 pm] Rep from Mayor's Office - South LA Introduced herself

[6:54 pm] Octavino Rios
Senate Bill 411 was approved by newsome
City Council 23113 23114 - Tech Tools support to PCs
Operationalize NCs starting virtual meetings

WANC can weigh in with CIS and attending inperson meetings

[6:57 pm] Steve Meeks Stepped Down to Address Board

Meeks flag that WANC has not approved the land acknowledgement to be read at board meetings. He would like WANC to seek input directly from natives communities instead of just ceremonial actions.

[6:58 pm] Steve Meeks returned to Board Seat

[6:59 pm] Stakeholder Comment: Can WANC look into joining Newsome's pilot program for Speed Cameras ?

[7:01 pm] Quintus Jett - Executive Board Announcements

- Board members: meeting-attendance policies; earlier arrival and set up
- Board members: WANC Operating protocols (e.g., meeting calendar & communications)
- Stakeholders: Submitting requests for WANC discussion and action.
- Stakeholders: Membership in (sub)committees

[7:08 pm] Ryan T. Hall from the office of our California State Senator Lola Smallwood-Cuevas

Encouraging stakeholders to utilize state rep services

Any state issue like:

Helps with constituents needs

Works place safety

Scam Prevention

SB497 - Equal Pay

Auto Repair

[7:14 pm] On agenda item 5, John Ma made a motion to "Motion to Approve July 2023 Monthly Expense Report (MEP)."

[7:18 pm] The assembly voted on a motion to: "Motion to Approve July 2023 Monthly Expense Report (MEP)."

Ayes (8): Dorsay Dujon, Quintus Jett, Blake Lynch, John Ma, Steven Meeks, Tora Miller, Brian Piatek, and Richard Williams

Noes (0): none

Recused (1): Marcia Jones

[7:20 pm] On agenda item 5C, John Ma made a motion to "reimburse Brian Piatek up to \$350 for WANC Storage Rental."

[7:21 pm] The assembly voted on a motion to: "Reimburse Brian Piatek up to \$350 for WANC Storage Rental"

Ayes (8): Dorsay Dujon, Quintus Jett, Blake Lynch, John Ma, Steven Meeks, Tora Miller, Brian Piatek, and Richard Williams

Noes (0): none

Recused (1): Marcia Jones

The motion passed.

[7:30 pm] Board Discussion about the logistics around taste of soul

- Sign Up is open

4 Hour Increments Sign Ups

John Ma will follow up with details

[7:47 pm] Finance Committee Report Announced Next Meeting

[7:48 pm] Dorsay Presented Outreach & Arts and Culture Committee Report

[7:51 pm] Tora Miller, Dorsay, John will Take lead on board motion

[7:54 pm] Quintus Jett made a motion to "Approve November 15th Special Meeting to discuss and amend draft standing rules"

[7:56 pm] The assembly voted on a motion to: "Approve November 15th Special Meeting to discuss and amend draft standing rules"

Ayes (8): Dorsay Dujon, Quintus Jett, Blake Lynch, John Ma, Steven Meeks, Tora Miller, Brian Piatek, and Richard Williams

Noes (0): none

Recused (1): Marcia Jones

The motion passed.

[8:01 pm] Meeting adjourned.

The neighborhood council counts abstentions as yes votes.