

North Westwood Neighborhood Council Board Meeting

December 7th, 2022 - 6:30pm

Zoom Meeting Online or By Telephone

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AGENDA

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1. CALL-TO-ORDER and Roll Call

2. Comments by Public Officials or their representatives including but not limited to:
 - a. Los Angeles Police Department
 - b. Councilmember Paul Koretz
 - c. Supervisor Sheila Kuehl
 - d. Mayor Eric Garcetti
 - e. Assembly Member Isaac Bryan
 - f. Congressman Ted Lieu
 - g. Westwood Village Improvement Association (BID)
 - h. UCLA Government Relations
 - i. Empower LA
 - j. Los Angeles Fire Department

3. Announcements

4. Multiple Agenda Item Comment Period for items on the agenda. (Up to 3 minutes per speaker)

5. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (Up to 2 minutes per speaker)

6. Discussion and possible approval of November 9th General Board Meeting Minutes
 - a. Minutes linked on website

7. Discuss and elect a new polling place for NWWNC elections next year, (Josh, Andrew, 15 min)

8. Discussion, possible presentation, and election of one of 3 options for the 'Women Life Freedom' Square in Westwood Village by Amir Angha, (Josh, Amir, 15 min):

a. "Woman, Life, Freedom Square Project "Our Request"

We are a group of independent, non-political and non-religious Iranian-American professionals who would like to partner with local authorities in the City of Los Angeles to respectfully request naming a square, "Woman, Life, Freedom", in solidarity with the organic movement led by the brave Iranian women and youth.

"The Background" On Sept 16 2022, a 22 year old woman named Mahsa (Zhina) Amini died at the hands of the Iranian government's Morality Police for allegedly not following the Islamic regime's dress code for women. Mahsa's death has sparked a widespread, woman-led, grass-roots movement in Iran, with Iranians risking their lives every day to protest the brutal regime and call for freedom. Since then, many hundreds of protesters have been killed, imprisoned and harassed, including school girls, university students, musicians, and athletes. What Iranians want can most simply be summarized by their main movement slogan: "Woman, Life, Freedom."

"Initiatives Since Mahsa Amini's Death" The movement has received support from people all around the world as its message of liberty has resonated with everyone including renowned international artists, athletes and political figures who are witness to the bravery of Iranians in pursuit of their basic human rights. For instance, just in Berlin, an estimated 80,000 people marched in support of Iranian Protests."

b. "Three locations we narrowed down in your neighborhood

are as followed:

1) Weyburn & Broxton

2) Westwood & Kinross

3) Le Conte and Westwood”

9. Discussion and possible election of a new Secretary to replace Nolan Gray, (Josh, 10 min)

10. Discussion and possible support of resolution to UCLA Administration to encourage fair bargaining by the University of California with striking academic workers, (Wren 15 min):

a. "The University of California (UC) system contributes to state economic growth, promotes the health of its citizens, informs state policy innovation, and builds social mobility.

The UC system is the top-rated public higher education system in the country: six of the top ten public universities are UCs, including #1. These schools educate the next generation of California thinkers, artists, and leaders. Each year UC grants 62,000 BA degrees and trains over 15,000 health workers, over 70% of whom stay in California. UC teachers empower their students to become the kind of engaged citizens and critical thinkers who are desperately needed, particularly as our country faces significant challenges to longstanding democratic principles. UCs also create economic mobility. Nearly 40% of UC students are the first in their families to attend college, and 37% are from families with low incomes. UC support of these students enables the ideas, skills, and talents of diverse Californians to flourish, and opens new doors for innovation. Of the top 20 universities driving social mobility in the U.S., five are UCs.

Graduate student teaching assistants enable UC to educate California's future workforce. The scale of UC education —

230,000 undergraduate students annually — makes graduate student teaching essential. Graduate student researchers, postdoctoral scholars, and staff researchers also fuel UC’s research discoveries. They staff labs, draft grant applications, recruit participants, monitor experiments, and analyze data. Research shows that the main difference between universities with high and low research output is access to excellent graduate students. Graduate students also play a crucial role in diversifying UC. Research shows that representation in the classroom — seeing “people like you” behind the lectern — promotes student learning and that diversifying research teams increases innovation. UC graduate students look increasingly diverse – like Californians as a whole. Students are 5% Black, 12% Latinx, 0.7% Indigenous, 0.4% Pacific Islander, and 19.6% Asian, whereas Californians are 5% Black, 40% Latinx, 0.8% Indigenous, 0.4% Pacific Islander, and 15% Asian. UC wages and benefits for graduate students, postdocs, and academic researchers are unlivable, harm mental health, and diminish capacity for research and teaching.

For these reasons the North Westwood NC calls on the University of California to come to the bargaining table to negotiate with Graduate Students, and those on Strike to pay them a liveable wage, per their demands, creating a more equitable and thriving environment for UCLA and the North Westwood Community (+ affected stakeholders).”

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