



## Wilmington Neighborhood Council

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### **SPECIAL WNC BOARD MEETING** **to seat the new board for a new term and FY 2019/2020**

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31, 2019 | 6:15pm  
Wilmington Branch Library Meeting Room  
1300 N. Avalon Boulevard, Wilmington CA 90744

### Meeting Minutes

Board Member	Roll Call
Ernesto Aguilar	present
Steven Contreras	present
Valerie Contreras	present
Moises Cortez	Absent
Christina Drake	present
Robert Jones	present
Nancy Luna	present
Gina Martinez	present
Carlos Sanchez	present
Santiago Sedillo	present
Barbara Zepeda	Present(left early7:30)
Vacant Seat-At-Large	
Vacant Seat -Live	

The meeting was called to order by Octavian Rios of empowerLA at 6:20 with a quorum of 11.

Present were the 11 board members listed above, guest Ray R. and 3 stakeholders.

1. Call to Order-Roll Call-open by Octavian Rios of DONE & Swearing in by Commissioner Ray Ragalado- Board members stand and raised their right hand to take their board oath. I pledge to represent my neighborhood with dignity, integrity, and pride. I will encourage other points of view, and consider everyone's opinion. I

will find the good in my neighborhood, and praise it and promote it. To my neighbors, and to neighborhoods throughout the City of Los Angeles, I pledge to do this to the best of my ability.

Motion to move up public comments- Simie Seaman, is Not happy with the election process this year. Quality of life in our community... First line of defense is the NC No political agendas-The NC is for the people and by the people. We cannot have the NC representatives that favor the politic leaders.

Roberto Monroy: congratulations to all and he is glad to have good representatives not representing special interest.

2. Discussion and possible action to the following board officers. Please refer to the Wilmington NC bylaws for a description of each position located at <http://wilmingtonneighborhoodcouncil.com/bylaws/>.
3. Octavian will review the duties and powers of the officers. **From our WNC bylaws he explains the duties & powers of each officer.**  
Try to keep on track with your goals as you serve on the NC.  
Each board member had the opportunity to say why they want to serve on the board. Til 6:50 stressing that community work is so valuable and rewarding.
4. Appointment of the Wilmington Neighborhood Council **Board Officers** for NC year 2019-2020 and a new 2 year WNC term.
  - a. Chair: Valerie was nominated by Carlos Sanchez, Ernie was nominated himself. Valerie received 6 board votes (Steven Contreras, Gina Martinez, Carlos Sanchez, Barbara, Valerie Contreras, Santiago Sedillo) Ernesto Aguilar received 4 votes but Ernesto, Christina and Nancy were not eligible to participate due to expired or no Ethics training (Robert Jones, Ernesto Aguilar, Christina Drake, Nancy Luna) therefore Ernie received 1 vote from Robert Jones who was eligible to vote.  
(New Chair presided over the board meeting immediately)
  - b. Co-Chair: Carlos was nominated by Steve Contreras. Vote was unanimous
  - c. Treasurer: Gina was nominated by Barbra Zepeda. Vote was unanimous
  - d. Secretary: Santiago was nominated by Valerie Contreras. Vote was unanimous
  - e. Parliamentarian: Barbara nominated herself. Vote was unanimous
5. Discussion and possible action to appoint the following board positions. Please refer to the Neighborhood Council Funding Program Policies & Guidelines located at <https://clerk.lacity.org/neighborhood-council-funding/documents-and-forms>
  - a. 1<sup>st</sup> Bank Cardholder –Gina Martinez the Treasurer was confirmed unanimously
  - b. 2<sup>nd</sup> Bank Cardholder-Valerie Contreras the Chair was confirmed unanimously
  - c. 2<sup>nd</sup> Signer -Valerie confirmed unanimously
  - d. Alternate Signer- Robert Jones confirmed unanimously
  - e. Up to 5 Community Impact Statement (CIS) filers-
    1. Valerie Contreras
    2. Steven Contreras
    3. Gina Martinez
    4. Robert Jones

5. Carlos Sanchez

- f. Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates Budget Representatives. (Default appointments go to Chair and Treasurer)

Count:

Unanimous vote yes to maintain default

1. Valerie Contreras
2. Gina Martinez

Cecilia Moreno: Rotary Club to present flyers for community events (first Tuesday of the month)  
Port Fleet week: Banning museum Friday August 30<sup>th</sup> 5:30-8:30 Navy Jazz Band, Historical road show, Avalon arts and cultural alliance, taste of Wilmington

6. Board Orientation by Octaviano Rios
7. Public Comment - The public is given two minutes to address the board on items not on the agenda, unless adjusted by the presiding officer.
8. Adjourn- Motion by Steve and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gina Martinez

Respectfully, submitted and prepared by newly elected Board Secretary Santiago Sedillo for the Wilmington Neighborhood Council

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