

To: DEANNA STEVENSON

2-9-07

ADMIN. SUPPORT SVCS.
DONE

MARK LEWIS

2007 FEB 13 P 4:40

From: R. & Selan

Re: GRIEVANCE AGAINST VNC

AS they refuse to reply to
complaints or hold complaint
hearings

Please reply as "Received"

5 pages

CITY OF LOS ANGELES

To: Deanna Stevenson; Mark Lewis

DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT (DONE)

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After completing this form, please submit it by mail, fax or bring it to our office. If you would like assistance, please contact us.



PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION.

As VNC does not reply regarding complaints or replies to correspondence, Complaint Against a Neighborhood Council I am filing with DONE.

Your Name: Rick Selan

How should we contact you? (This information may become public when your complaint is submitted):

penguin's 21 @ ca.nf.com

310-396-5164

Name of Neighborhood Council the complaint is against:

VNC (IRA Koslow, Eileen Pollack Ericas Van Spiegel)

Are you a stakeholder of this Neighborhood Council?

Yes

Please describe the actions or events you are complaining about (use additional pages, if necessary).

~~Appointed~~ VNC Education Chair and Appointed ~~VNC Outreach~~ chair do not post meetings on monthly VNC calendar. VNC Education changes dates of meetings unilaterally. Outreach did not post any agenda nor any postings of the January 2007 Standing VNC Outreach meeting.

Date the incident occurred, and the name(s) of person(s) thought to be responsible for the complaint.

Week of 1/22/07 VNC ^{Governor} Conference as told to VNC Education by Spiegel
2/15/07 meeting changed unilaterally to 2/22/07 VNC Ed.

What remedy or solution are you seeking?

Elected rather than appointed leaders

Education Committee open to the Public

Signature

[Handwritten Signature]

Date

2/9/07

For Office Use Only:

Date Received: _____

Received By: _____

Penguin Educational Advocates
"Ubi Ignus est?"
Date: 02-09-07

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Venice, CA 90291

To: Ira Kosolow/ Eileen Pollack Erickson, VNC Appointed Chairs
Mark Lewis/ Deanna Stevenson; DONE VNC Advocate

From: Rick Selan, Educational Advocate

Re: REVISED SYNOPSIS OF VEN MAR/ FRIENDS OF WALGROVE AGENDA ITEM

Dear Ms. Pollack Erickson and Mr. Kosolow, Appointed Chairs VNC Education

Thank you for your reply. Under what authority and where in the by VNC By Laws does it provide the two of you to unilaterally alter the by laws and change the date of the Standing VNC Education meeting? As well, why do you not place Education meetings on the VNC monthly calendar as the VNC Education Committee of 3 is a Standing VNC Committee?

A grievance will be filed tonight against VNC Education with DONE asking this same question. VNC Outreach and Government Standing Committee under appointed Chair Ivan Spiegel also does not post meeting dates on the monthly calendar. There was no announcement nor was their any post nor agenda for the January Standing Outreach Government Committee. This is no different than the appointed chair's behavior as part of the LAUSD Good Ole Boys and Girls Club. This committee will be included in the complaint.

I thank Ms. Grossman for bringing this issue to our attention. Please remove my previous synopsis of request on Walgrove/ Ven Mar/ Friend of Walgrove Oversight and replace it with the synopsis written below. As I discussed with DONE, the grievance will be sent through DONE as VNC only picks and chooses what grievances they prefer to address. Also VNC does not send notification of arrival of grievances as per VNC By Laws.

The grievance will be sent to Deanna Stevenson and Mark Lewis at DONE. Peace. Care. Rick Selan

On Feb 8, 2007, at 8:36 AM, Loren R. Grossman wrote:

How does the self-appointed gang of 3 ed subcomm get to unilaterally change dates & times of their so-called standing committee, inc. failing to post this notice & minutes on the official vnc website? is this their version of accountability within their neighborhood & city?

On Feb 7, 2007, at 3:39 PM, Eileen Pollack Erickson wrote:

This item will be added to the agenda of the next Education Committee meeting, which has been moved from February 15th to the 22nd (same location as usual) due to a VNC Town Hall meeting on the 15th.

Thank you,

Eileen Pollack Erickson

REVISED AGENDA ITEM

On 1 Feb 2007 08:36:30 -0000, info@grvnc.org <info@grvnc.org> wrote:

A. Name of Project or Issue: : WALGROVE PARK AND COMMUNITY TRACK

B. Committee/Organization : EDUCATION

C.1 Your Name : RICK SELAN

C.2. Phone Number : 310-396-5164

C.3. Email Address : penguins21@ca.rr.com

D. Brief Synopsis of Your Request/Project : For the past three years, Walgrove School / Ven Mar/ Friends of Walgrove have allegedly been involved in land issues involving Prop K funds and the collection of community funds. The treasury totals a little more than \$60,000 as of June, 2006.

Ven Mar/ Friends of Walgrove operate with less than ethical behavior with knowledge of their actions apparently known and supported by CD 11, certain Board members of MVCC who are leaders in Ven Mar, and a "fixed group of LAUSD Administration". These organizations have given community educators no reply regarding community's right to use Walgrove Park and Track since it was built . Why does this park and track remains closed to everything but bugs and weeds for the past three years?

Community students, parents and community members are denied access to the Park and Track which Ven Mar informed community would be opened on weekends, after school and school breaks ; no different than the kiddy park operated by an outside volunteer gatekeeper that is open.

Why does MVCC Vice Chair Tom Ponton, who also is a 912 Commissioner, place in writing that Ven Mar -Friends of Walgrove is

currently part of MVCC oversight yet it is not under VNC oversight as it is shared boundary for both NC's?

Is it fact that Mr. Ponton is taking directions from the Office of CD 11 as reports some Mar Vista and Venice residents? VNC Education must assist the residents gain access to a park and track built with public funds. Why did MVCC Board member Keith Lambert, apparent leader of Ven

Walgrove Friends of Walgrove with Ms. E. Richard (Marianne) Brown, inform this advocate and another Penmar Leader that he knew nothing of the Ven Mar/ Friends of Walgrove newsletter that might be published using MVCC funds when in fact he was both the apparent editor and publisher? Why does Friends of Walgrove have no meetings listed on their calendar nor on their website nor on Ven Mar's web site?

Why does Laurie Hansen, President of Friends of Walgrove, send out letters that Friends of Walgrove is a private organization? Why has Friends of Walgrove never posted a meeting date in their history and what right does Laurie Hansen have to unilaterally decide that Friends of Walgrove is a private organization?

E. Opposition: Is there any opposition to your request? If so, indicate who is opposing it: : None that anyone will speak out on.

Submitted by (<http://grvnc.org/user/0>) on Thu, 02/01/2007 - 12:36am

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