

**OAK VIEW TASK FORCE
Meeting Notes**



Thursday, September 18, 2014
4:00 p.m.
Oak View Elementary School Library
17241 Oak Lane
Huntington Beach, CA 92647

1. CALL TO ORDER: Chris Slama called the meeting to order at 4:12p.m.

Attendees:

Brady, Al: Code Enforcement, City of HB
Carrillo, Maria: CORE Team
Carrillo, Naomi: CORE Team
Dale-Pash, Laura: Oak View School
Essex, Michele: Children's Bureau
Grierson, Mollie: Oak View renewal Partnership-VISTA
Groeneveld, Art: Boys & Girls Club Huntington Valley
Hurtado, Roxana: Salvation Army
Jones, Brian: HBPD Sergeant
Slifman, Simone: Office of Business Development, City of HB

City Staff Liaison:

Janeen Laudenback, Community Services Department
Chris Slama, Community Services Department

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion to approve the June 19th meeting notes was made by Al Brady, seconded by Mollie Grierson. Motion passed unanimously.

3. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: New CORE Team members, Maria and Naomi Carrillo were introduced. Officer Brian Jones was present on behalf of HBPD. Janeen introduced new Community Services Manager Chris Slama.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

5. CORRESPONDENCE: None.

6. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT: None.

7. REPORTS:

- A. BOYS & GIRLS CLUB:** Art Groeneveld reported that 150 children received new shoes and signed up for the after school program. They are starting flag football and cheer through a grant they received. They are working on accommodating teens on Monday and Friday evenings. They are looking into additional programs for education and character building. Art complimented the HBPD for their support. Michele Essex commended the Boys and Girls Club on their teen programs.
- B. CODE ENFORCEMENT:** Al Brady reported graffiti has spiked recently, which is customary in the summer. All in all, the neighborhood is in good shape.
- C. COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT:**
- D. CSP:** An 8 week Summer Program was held in the months of July and August. Staff provided youth with workshops focusing on gang awareness and resistance, drug prevention, vandalism prevention, job career readiness, and college/career exploration. Also, youth participated in fieldtrips which included: Angel Baseball games, Knotts Berry Farm, OC Fair, bowling and the Beach. 50 students participated in summer activities. Also, Staff provided a workshop for students and their parents to prepare them to be successful in the upcoming school year. The topics that were covered included: time-management, organization, study-habits, note-taking, goal-setting, and stress-management. Upon completing the workshop, students were given backpacks and school supplies in preparation for the first day of school. 75 students and 50 parents participated in workshops. In July, CSP leadership group hosted the Oak View Community Cleanup. A total of 65 people came out and participated. For the new school year, CSP's afterschool programming has started Monday-Friday at 4pm. Any students are welcomed to come and participate in the leadership group.
- E. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:** The following programs have received funding:
Boys and Girls Club, Code Enforcement, and Oak View Library received funding for a literacy program
- F. GOALS:** Laura Dale-Pash stated the ACIS Grant has funded \$112K to contract with an Anaheim Based program for 85 kids, every day until 6:00 PM with sport, recreation and academic enrichment as well as Wednesday field trips for approximately half of the students. This grant will also fund after school snacks and computer programs.
- G. OAK VIEW LIBRARY:** Claudia Locke reported the summer reading programs were successful with nearly 100 kids participating. They had a teen program as well as an adult program. They provided academic enrichment for math and reading for kids. The story-time program had over 85 participants. Elsa from Frozen was a special guest as well as a magician, which was sponsored by Friends of the Children's Library. They also provided driver's training this summer. Library enrollment is up slightly, but Oak View School District enrollment had declined overall. Oak View Elementary added a second grade

class, and had the highest attendance of in the Oak View School District. Saturday academy numbers are high. They had a “stuffed animal sleep over” in August.

H. OAK VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:

I. OAK VIEW FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER: Michele Essex reported they had a busy and unusual summer in spite of temporary workers and vacancies. The highlight of the summer was the “Girls Respect Group” where older girls were trained in a 6-week program on how to train younger girls entering the 6th grade. She spent a great deal of the summer working on writing the FACT grant in which she is asking for an increase in program funding as well as funding for a special program to provide support services for domestic violence. They will also have a Halloween event on Saturday, October 25.

J. OAK VIEW RENEWAL PARTNERSHIP: Mollie Grierson reported they will have a mobile medical and dental clinic the first Saturday of the month. The last Saturday of the month is the Community Clean up led by the Oak View Youth Soccer League and SteppingUP, and will include gardening projects. A back to school event was put together by the Oak View Church Collaborative and raised approximately \$5K for a field trip fund. A community initiative identified a community issue that can be addressed which is juvenile crime. Surveys were positive and residents appreciated the shift from law enforcement to community policing model. Naomi reported that she has seen a lot of positive changes as a result of improved police relations.

K. OCEAN VIEW HIGH SCHOOL:

L. POLICE: Brian Jones reported that graffiti increased during the summer months and that there was a shooting in the neighborhood. Chief Handy would like to implement a Community policing program, called the “next door” program, establishing block captains to assist with communication and to help officers be more visible and active. Chief Handy would like to do an Oak View Neighborhood “walk about” and implement a “Coffee with a Cop” or “Coffee with the Community” program.

M. PUBLIC WORKS:

N. RAINBOW ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES:

O. SALVATION ARMY: Roxana Hurtado has seen an increase in families requesting financial aid. Applications will be accepted beginning on Oct 1st for the holiday program. An anonymous donor gave shoes to 25 kids for the new school year.

8. OLD BUSINESS: None.

9. NEW BUSINESS: None.

10. ADJOURNMENT: 5:10 PM

**The next meeting is scheduled for December 18, 4:00 p.m.
at the Oak View Elementary School Library**