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**Griffith Park Advisory Board**  
Thursday November 17<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm  
Griffith Park Visitor's Center Auditorium  
4730 Crystal Springs Drive L.A.CA, 90027

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Note: Agenda items may be taken out of order or merged as deemed appropriate by Board. All items for Discussion and Action unless otherwise noted.

Welcome and Introductions

1. Roll Call

Laura, Chris, Ted, Don, Susan, Ron. Kris, Chip, and Lucinda excused.

2. Approval of Minutes

Motion Don second Ron. 5 approve Laura abstain

3. Comments from any City, County, State or Federal representatives in attendance

Joe passed out Greek newsletter, invited all to Greek holiday party 11/19.

4. Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (2 minutes each)

George Grace - coyote hazing demo, 1/19/17. 6:30

Gerry. Haunted Hayride in LA Times. RAP has really low fee, less than 5% of gross income. Citizens should be adequately compensated.

5. Update from Kevin Regan regarding usage of Commonwealth Nursery by LAPF and others

Kevin announced that he was leaving the department to work for the county. He gave us a letter from the Parks Foundation and rec and Parks explaining the overall generalized plan of the Commonwealth Nursery. He said the decisions come from Rec and Park and that is within their purview and that the Parks Foundation has their permission to be there. He said there are no complete plans of the entire area as of yet other than the Prop K plan to restore the area of planter beds, surrounding structure or what ever covered the preview of the Prop K plan. Prepared response letter to GPAB. Attached concept plan for nursery. Relationship of LAPF & RAP. RAP is lead on project. LAPF has no interest in projects except what RAP asks them. No agenda by LAPF. They can be the recipient of funds, a fiscal agent for the Dept, can contract work. Project goes back 8-10 years. Used to be a functioning nursery, other non-profits work out of nursery like planting trees. No plans to change use of nursery. No Rec hall, no expansion of perimeter fencing. Research, native veg., understanding river, staff training in plants, not intended to be a production nursery. Partnership opportunities. Community classes, mulching classes. 3 phases. 1 echo of the past. Prop K project to renovate terraces. Start now - 2018. Research funded by private donors, restore nursery house to be for LAPF \$100,000. Open 9-5, m-F. Removing asphalt around house. Rest of project is theoretical. 2015 RAP asked LAPF to do historic research on property. RAP suggested CEQA for entire site. Consultant started CEQA, but didn't have enough data to do a CEQA. Therefore can't get a copy of the work he did.

6. Request for support from Mickey Petralia from Trails Café for a second location of his cafe to the east side of the park

Mickey was unable to be present so this was tabled

7. Update on trees and watering in the park

Laura spoke about meeting with Stephanie and Steve Dunlap. Stephanie had increased the watering and was still working on more. There is going to be a tree planting on the 14<sup>th</sup> of January in NYC picnic areas 1 and 2. FOGP was heading it up with Rec and Parks maintenance

8. Report on the Departments policy on bench and plaque donations

Joe reported that there is a format that the Parks Foundation takes donations for these donations. Joe wasn't sure what the protocol is and what the parameters are but he was going to look into it. Some concern expressed from board that there should be a protocol so that size and language could be monitored.

9. Follow up on 120<sup>th</sup> Birthday Event for Griffith Park (120yrs. Celebration). GPAB booth (mission statement and survey)

Friday Dec 16th from 3-7pm near Merry-Go-Round. Attendees-FOLAR-FOGP-Shakespeare in the Park-Zoo Critters-LFIA-Food trucks.

Tracy updated us with info on times and who would be there.

Ron and Kris planning event. Ron wants to survey park users. Get their email addresses. (See handout). George Grace offered to put survey on computer and calculate results. Chris moved they accept George's offer. Passed.

Joe - new logo is Park Proud LA.

10. Update re GPAB Board seats, vacancies

Joe said he was taking applications and doing interviews.

11. Board Member comments on items not on the Agenda

Joe presented GPAB with certificates for 2 years of service to GPAB.

Joe. What info do they want on Haunted Hayride? How much money are they making? Are they expanding? What is attendance? Laura wants 1031 woman to come .

12. Old/Ongoing Business

113. New/Future Business

ADJOURNMENT

NO meeting in December, join us as we celebrate the 120<sup>th</sup> Birthday of Griffith Park!! See item #9, above.

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