



## DISTRICT 1, LEADERSHIP GROUP

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9:00 am – 11:00 am  
West Valley Library Community Room  
1243 San Tomas Aquino Road, San Jose

Chair: Heather Sutton  
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### Meeting Minutes from September 12, 2009

1. Sign In
  2. Welcome, Introductions, & Neighborhood updates
    1. **Barker West NA:** 4<sup>th</sup> of July party, movie night, coming up beautification coming soon,
    2. **Bethel Church:**
    3. **Blackford NAC:** 800 people at NNO, creek clean up from Payne to Hamilton
    4. **Boynton NA:**
    5. **Boynton West NA:**
    6. **Cabernet Vineyards NA:**
    7. **Colonial Gardens NA:**
    8. **Country Lane NA:**
    9. **Cupertino School Board:**
    10. **Cypress Senior Center:** 361 members, events every month, have moved back in the improved senior center
    11. **Easterbrook NA:** cocktail/ice cream social every other Friday night, Halloween party coming soon to Moreland Woods
    12. **Eden NA:** NNO successful, dumpster day, Volunteer appreciation dinner, board outreach for new board members, Yahoo group has new person in charge, Festival of lights coming for the holidays
    13. **English Estates NA:**
    14. **Hathaway Park NA:** new board members, DOT
    15. **Leaders Latinos de Blackford:**
    16. **Lynhaven NA:** new board coming, dumpster day in November
    17. **Miller NA:**
    18. **Moorpark Terrace Condos:** many many break ins, installing cameras, vehicle stickers, garage sale coming soon
    19. **Moreland West NA:** article in news
    20. **Moreland School District:**
    21. **Murdock NA:** NNO successful, movie night coming soon, elections coming up, Fremont USD to give an update on Stadium move, break-ins happening through garage door openers
    22. **Primrose NA:** National night out was successful
    23. **Rainbow West NA:** may be expanding borders of NA, working with grocery stores to make a cloth bag with both logos
    24. **San Tomas West NA:** Pete came to meeting, going green meeting, dumpster day coming soon
    25. **Senior Commission:**
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26. **Strawberry Park NA:**
  27. **Strawberry Square Homeowners Assoc:**
  28. **Stevens Creek NA:**
  29. **Westside Prop & Homeowners:** dumpster day coming soon
  30. **Winchester Business Association:**
  31. **Winchester NAC:**
  32. **Youth Advisory Council:** D1 news letter for youth
  33. **Neighborhood Commission:** 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting under our belts, most important issue – improving communication, getting our work plan, ACTION: give presentation on how the group is going to work, how do you build your work plan
3. Council Member Pete Constant
- Just got back from neck surgery
  - San Jose Beautiful grant workshops coming up
  - Winchester BA is having an event
  - Council office is having resource fair with Environmental Services
  - Prevention and end Domestic Violence Walk
  - Disability Fair coming up
  - Meeting to Plan Public Art
  - San Jose Prepared is having training
  - Festival in the Park was cancelled for financial reasons. Pete is looking for private funding
  - Big announcement coming Tuesday September 15 about Blight issues
4. Steering Committee Report
- Secretary: Minutes Corrections/Approval – July 11, 2009
    - Motion to approve with second, minutes approved
  - Treasurer: Financial Update – Betty
    - \$154.03 remains
    - CAP was approved for \$519.00 for next year
    - Betty suggested we need to discuss how we are going to raise money in the future. Minimum amount of money needed is \$500.00 for insurance and food.
    - Pete will pledge \$500.00 per year
  - Chair: Leadership Group Updates
    - 911/311 tour through SJPD. This came about from last meeting. Date October 17 9-11AM at SJPD
    - Nomination committee is up and running, Ken Kelly, Alan Dupue, Tom Murren
    - Resource binder is moving ahead with updated information
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- working on 2010 work plan for this group  
- working on calendar, going back to all previous meetings and brain storming sessions will be incorporated in this plan

### 5. Voting Eligibility

- Reiterated attendance and what the bylaws say

### 6. Single Use Plastic Bag Proposals

- Guest Speaker: City of San Jose Environmental Services Dept. - Jo Zentek
- Council wanted to discuss this issue. Several issues came to the front. Santa Monica model is being looked at. Council committee (community and economic development) approved ban on single use plastic bag, charge a fee on paper bags.
- Guest Speaker: Save the Bay – Felicia Madsen. Founded in 1961. Non profit group. Launched clean bay project: reduce pollution that flows into bay most comes from streets and residences. San Jose agreed to be a partner in this effort. More than a litter problem it is a water quality problem. Breakdown of plastic does not dissolve but rather breaks down in little/smaller pieces. Position is 3 items – address both paper and plastic, applied to majority of retailers, and push customer to reuse bags. Issues: recycling does not work from past experience, city water ways are polluted with trash which is in violation to federal law, bags are not free.
- Guest Speaker: The American Chemistry Council – Ryan Kenny. Representing groceries and plastic industries. Options: bag tax, ban plastic, public education has not been used and we suggest this option. Many local governments and advocates are against this. Recycling must to used in grocery stores as seen with recycling bins in the stores. No studies showing the amount of plastic in creeks and the bay. May impact the tax revenue.
- **OUTCOMES:** Our group should be the driver of the education and alternate programs. Sign-up sheet for a paper on our

### 7. Open Forum/Open Discussion

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### 8. Next meeting announcements and important dates

- November 14, 2009

### 9. Adjourn

### 10. Networking

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