

**Minutes for Networking Committee Meeting
Monday, December 8, 2014
Buttercup Grill**

Attendees:

Kathryn Sterbenc
Ruby Bernstein
April Harper
Ain Bailey
Jeanine Shimatsu
Victoria A. Barbero (Chair)

Member of Public:

Grant Inaba

Kathryn Sterbenc moved to approve the minutes of our November meeting and Ruby seconded the motion. All present voted aye.

LAC Newsletter—Kathryn Sterbenc

For the December issue Kathryn and Victoria will write a paragraph on the Holiday mixer.

- Topics: Holiday Mixer, with quote from Dan Kalb; save I Love Library - Melrose or Lakeview for next year; Victoria will write blurb on Splash Pad Newsletter link. Due date: Dec 11th; send date: Dec 13th

Social Media—April Harper

April posted photos from the public hearing and the mixer on Facebook, Flickr and in the LAC newsletter.

Networking —Victoria Barbero

Assigned commissioners are calling newly elected and established council members with mixed results. Some are having difficulty getting meetings, but they should all occur by mid-January. April contacted Piedmont Gardens as a possible speaking venue. Jeanine suggested, and everyone agreed, that we need to revitalize our method of developing contacts. We discussed orphan branches, those without commissioners and or Friends groups and intend to get those that can to be adopted.

LAC Mixer Nov. 16 – Susanne (covered by Kathryn)

The mixer was an unqualified success, with over 60 people attending, included two city council members, Dan Kalb and Noel Gallo, as well as Mayor Quan. Lesley did an outstanding job with the decorations. The food, provided by commissioners was delicious and plentiful. April did a great job with the music and setting up acoustics. Everything went very smoothly and everyone enjoyed the party. It's becoming a tradition.

Strategic Plan

We agreed the strategic plan reflects efforts for next year. Corporations were added to list of sources for speaker sites. Also Networking will work to help branches developing Friends groups. We will submit names for chair and vice chair for the Networking Committee: Ain, April and Jeanine expressed interest.

For the Coalition –We are working on meetings with city council members to gauge support for OPL.

Next Meeting: Date to be announced – at the Buttercup 6:15- 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Victoria A. Barbero