

# Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council



## Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council General Meeting

**January 11, 2006**

Approved by the Board,  
as written, on 3/8/06

### FINAL MINUTES

A duly noticed meeting of the Board of Directors of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council (“GWNC”) was held on Wednesday, January 11, 2006, at John Burroughs Middle School, 600 South McCadden Place. Charles Dougherty, President of the Council, called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

The Secretary called the roll, and Board of Directors members in attendance were: Yigal Arens, Moon Chung, Cindy Chvatal, Charles Dougherty, Larry Eisenberg, Roy Forbes, Elizabeth Fuller, Tom Gibbons, Jane Gilman, Rudolph Gintel, Margaret Hudson, Lisa Hutchins, Arlin Low, Norman Murdoch, Susan O’Connell, Van Dyke Parks, Jolene Snett, Baruch Twersky, Jane Usher, Robert Wishart, James Wolf, John A. Woodward III, and Gary Zeiss. The following absent Directors were represented by their Alternates (noted in parentheses): Carolyn D. Bennett (Jon Vein), Arnold Castaneda (Jeffrey Young), Shemaya Mandelbaum (Richard Battaglia), Michael Rosenberg (Stanley Treitel), and Ruth Silveira (Anna-Kria King). (Note: Chickie Byrne and Mr. Castaneda arrived later and took their seats.) Director Thomas Roe was absent and was not represented by an Alternate.

The Secretary stated that 28 of the 31 Directors were represented in person or by an Alternate at the beginning of the meeting and that a quorum was present.

The Secretary stated that the Minutes of the Council’s General Meeting of November 9, 2005, had been distributed to Directors by e-mail and had been posted on the Council’s *greaterwilshire.org* web site. Additional copies were distributed at the meeting. Next, upon a motion made from the floor and adopted without objection, reading of the Minutes was waived. Corrections were noted as follows:

Under “Report on NC Creation of City Council Files and Possible Action,” on Page 4, the word “learner” was changed to “learned” and, on Page 5, at the end of the paragraph, the following sentence was added: “President Dougherty designated Arlin Low and Lisa Hutchins to establish the appropriate City account for submitting Community Impact Statements via the Internet.”

Under "Board Member Comments / New Business," on Page 5, the third paragraph was revised to read: "Upon a motion made by Mr. Eisenberg, the Board directed the *ad hoc* committee reviewing the Bylaws to consider whether, to accommodate as many community voters as possible, the GWNC's Elections Procedures should provide for the hours of the Annual Meeting to be extended because that is when the election of Board members takes place."

The Minutes were approved as corrected above.

Treasurer Susan O'Connell reported that she now is preparing for Greater Wilshire's first financial audit, to be conducted by DONE. The sole Council expense, to date, has been rent for the Council's Larchmont Boulevard mailbox mailing address.

#### Report on Bylaws and Action on Amendments

President Dougherty then reminded the Board that, at the September 14, 2005, General Meeting, he had appointed Jane Usher as chair of an *ad hoc* committee on Bylaws and that she had been confirmed in that appointment by the Board. He asked Ms. Usher to make a presentation, and she reminded the Directors that her committee's November 2, 2005 "Report and Recommendations" had been reviewed by, and acted upon by, the Board at its November 9, 2005 meeting. At that meeting, the substantive issues had been presented to the Board in five substantive recommendations, each of which was voted upon individually by the Board. All the recommendations presented on November 9<sup>th</sup> received approval by more than two-thirds of the full Board of Directors.

Subsequent to the November 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, Ms. Usher and the other Directors who previously participated with her in the rigorous review of the Bylaws (Yigal Arens, Cindy Chvatal, Roy Forbes, Jolene Snett, and Baruch Twersky) continued their discussions in order to present to the Board specific Bylaws language to incorporate the changes approved on November 9<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Usher stated that the committee's agreed-upon proposed final draft of the Amended Bylaws, incorporating the adopted changes, had been circulated by e-mail to the Directors on Friday morning, January 6, 2006, and had been posted on the Council's web site that same day.

Ms. Usher observed that language changes made by the *ad hoc* committee were indicated in boldface in the draft Amended Bylaws sent to the Directors, posted on the web site, and available at this evening's meeting. She noted that these changes before the Directors this evening probably affected only ten percent of the Bylaws. The remaining ninety percent remains unchanged from what was before the Board on November 9<sup>th</sup>. The boldface changes distributed on Friday and before the Board tonight incorporate the concepts agreed to by the Board at the November 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. These changes now are before the Board for review and possible approval of the specific language incorporating those changes previously approved in concept. Ms. Usher then asked other *ad hoc* committee members to speak to the matter.

Yigal Arens discussed the issue of board composition and election of Directors. The committee is presenting language that incorporates the decision to establish two-year terms for Directors, starting with the election in March 2007, with subsequent elections taking place every two years, in odd-numbered years. He reminded the Board that the Bylaws and DONE procedures require the establishment of an Election Committee that will draft detailed GWNC Election Procedures. It will be in these Election Procedures that matters such as providing for the hours of the Annual Meeting to be extended to accommodate more voters will be addressed. Mr. Arens also noted that DONE requires Election Procedures to be submitted 140 days prior to an election, so it's fortuitous that the GWNC has decided to move its next election from March 2006 (which would have provided the first-elected Directors shortened terms) to March 2007 (which gives those Directors eighteen-month terms that are longer than the one-year terms for which they were elected under the original Bylaws but are shorter than the two-year terms that Directors will have in the future).

Addressing the changes in Article VI, Mr. Arens reminded the Board that the recommendation was made at the November 9, 2005 meeting, and accepted by more than two-thirds of the Directors, that the future Board size be 21 Directors rather than the current 31 Directors. Mr. Arens observed that the revised language presented by the committee still maintains seats reserved for the following special-interest categories: business (which now includes business associations), renters, educational institutions, religious organizations, other non-profit groups, and at-large. It is this Article VI that sets forth the two-year terms and also establishes term limits of four consecutive two-year terms. The quorum for Board meetings will remain as three-fifths of the Board of Directors, as now.

Mr. Arens next spoke to the change in Article VII, specifically its language making explicit what was decided by the Board at the November 9, 2005 meeting: Only Stakeholders age 18 or older may be candidates or vote. Further, Article VII now clarifies that a candidate for one of the geographic area seats must qualify as a Stakeholder who lives, works, or owns property within the geographic area that the candidate seeks to represent. Also, a candidate for one of the special interest seats must qualify as a Stakeholder who participates on a regular and ongoing basis in the special interest category that the candidate seeks to represent.

Mr. Arens also highlighted the new Article XIII, "Privacy." This Article makes it clear that it is the intention of GWNC to protect the privacy of its Stakeholder databases.

Roy Forbes, also a member of the *ad hoc* committee, returned to the provisions of Article VII that set forth the rules for voter registration and who is eligible to vote. He reminded the Directors that, at the November 9, 2005 meeting, the Board had agreed with the committee's recommendation to not change the extremely wide and inclusive definition of "Stakeholder" set forth in the original, and continuing, Article IV. Article

VII now clearly states that age 18-plus Stakeholders, who choose to register, get to vote for one candidate in a special interest category. In addition, Stakeholders who live, work, or own property within the Council boundaries also may choose to vote for one candidate for the geographic area seat in the area of the Stakeholder's address. In this way, all Stakeholders will have one vote, and no Stakeholder may have more than two votes. Mr. Forbes reviewed the detailed percentages set forth in the committee's report distributed in November and reiterated that the proposals made by the committee and approved by the Board at the last meeting did, indeed, reflect the actual population of GWNC Stakeholders.

Ms. Usher thanked Mr. Arens and Mr. Forbes for reviewing how the committee had drafted the specific language before the Board tonight to reflect the decisions made by the Board at its November 9, 2005 meeting. Ms. Usher reiterated that ninety percent of the specific Bylaws language in front of the Board tonight is identical to what the Board had before it on November 9, when the Board unanimously adopted Recommendation No. 1, to adopt the revised Bylaws as presented that evening. The remaining ten percent before the Board this evening, and highlighted in the document in boldface, is specific language reflecting the remaining four Recommendations voted upon and adopted by two-thirds or more of the Board on November 9.

Ms. Usher added that the procedure, after further discussion and possible approval of the Amended Bylaws by the GWNC Board of Directors tonight, would be for the GWNC's officers to submit our Amended Bylaws to DONE for its review and presentation to BONC for certification by BONC.

Cindy Chvatal, also a member of the *ad hoc* committee, said that the Board and all GWNC Stakeholders should be grateful to Ms. Usher for overseeing a process that was very democratic, where the committee and Board have discussed each point. Subsequent to the last Board meeting, it was only necessary for the committee to create detailed, specific language to codify the four points decided by the Board at the November 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Baruch Twersky, also a member of the *ad hoc* committee, noted that he was generally supportive of the committee's work, but that he remains personally opposed to changing the number of Board members in 2007. He stated that he feels the Board size as it is now is working and that it has a real spirit of cooperation with its present thirty-one members.

Ms. Usher again thanked her committee for its hard work. She stated that she now was going to present to the Board a full and formal Motion to set forth in one place the background of the proposal to amend the GWNC's Bylaws. Upon receiving a second from another Director, this matter would be before the Board for discussion and a possible vote. Ms. Usher then made the following Motion (a copy of which also is attached to the record set of these Minutes):

WHEREAS, in light of the grievous inadequacies of the current Bylaws of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council (“GWNC”), as demonstrated throughout the GWNC’s highly contentious initial election held on June 15, 2005, the President of the GWNC established an Ad Hoc Committee on Bylaws, to be chaired by Board member Jane Ellison Usher, at the first regularly scheduled Board meeting on September 14, 2005; and

WHEREAS all GWNC Board members were invited to participate on the Ad Hoc Committee for the purpose of reviewing the existing Bylaws and reporting back to the Board on recommended amendments, and those who accepted this invitation to join Ms. Usher included Board members Roy Forbes, Baruch Twersky, Jolene Snett, Cindy Chvatal and Yigal Arens; and

WHEREAS the Ad Hoc Committee conducted several meetings of its members, who also exchanged dozens of email communications, in an effort to bring the most efficient, fair, workable, representative, and unambiguous Bylaws amendments back to the full Board of the GWNC, and to avoid a recurrence of the contentious initial election; and

WHEREAS the Ad Hoc Committee presented a written report and draft Bylaws to the Board at its regularly scheduled Board meeting on November 9, 2005, at which time the Ad Hoc committee chairmanship was confirmed by a vote of the full Board; and

WHEREAS the written materials of the Ad Hoc Committee also were made continually available to the Board and to the public via posting a week in advance of said November 9, 2005 Board meeting on the GWNC’s publicly accessible website; and

WHEREAS the Board of the GWNC conducted a lively debate concerning its written report and draft Bylaws at said November 9, 2005 meeting, and obtained public comment thereon, and then voted to approve, by two-thirds or more of its members, the draft Bylaws, including five specific and significant changes/additions that were recommended in the Ad Hoc Committee report attached hereto; and

WHEREAS subsequent to the November 9, 2005 Board meeting, the Ad Hoc Committee has taken great care to further amend the proposed revised Bylaws in order to incorporate the five specific changes/additions previously approved by the Board, and has again exchanged dozens of emails in order to accomplish its assignment; and

WHEREAS the Ad Hoc Committee submitted its final and complete

proposed amendments to the Bylaws to the Board on January 6, 2006, for consideration and action at the Board's regularly scheduled January 11, 2006 Board meeting, and simultaneously placed these draft Bylaws on the publicly accessible website of the GWNC;

NOW THEREFORE, I MOVE that the Board of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council:

1. Approve the amended Bylaws as submitted by the Ad Hoc Committee, and as attached hereto; and
2. Direct the President and/or the Ad Hoc Committee (at the President's discretion) to transmit the approved Bylaws, as amended, to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment ("DONE"), and to complete all paperwork required by DONE in connection with the GWNC's application for approval of its amended Bylaws by the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners ("BONC"); and
3. Direct the President and/or the Ad Hoc Committee (at the President's discretion) to negotiate, on behalf of the GWNC, any and all changes to the amended Bylaws requested by DONE and/or BONC; and
4. Require the President and/or the Ad Hoc Committee (at the President's discretion) to bring back any changes that are, in the President's opinion, "substantive" (as distinct from typographical errors or minor language clarifications) to the Board for its review and approval or disapproval prior to final approval or certification of the amended Bylaws by BONC.

The Motion was seconded by Ms. Chvatal, and President Dougherty said that the first comments to be heard would be from Stakeholders, including Director Alternates, who wished to speak, followed by a discussion among the Directors.

The President recognized Owen Smith, who commended the committee for its work, saying that the Amended Bylaws would move the GWNC forward to be an efficiently running neighborhood council as originally intended six or seven years ago.

Jeffrey Young agreed that there had been much positive work done. He reminded the Board that outreach, however, is never done and that there should be continuing efforts to reach out and involve more Stakeholders. He observed that there always is the opportunity for further public participation and comments while the requested Amended Bylaws are being processed by DONE and BONC.

President Dougherty then recognized a number of Directors, starting with Gary Zeiss, who objected that there had been too little time to read the full set of proposed Bylaws now before the Board because they only had been distributed the previous Friday,

January 6, 2006. Mr. Zeiss said that four days was too little time for him to review the proposed Bylaws, and he also complained there had been no “redlined” version prepared, as would have been done in his law practice, to compare the proposed Amended Bylaws with the current Bylaws approved by BONC in 2003.

Ms. Usher responded that the Amended Bylaws had been sent to Mr. Zeiss and other Directors at 8:05 on Friday morning and that, by her calculation, that gave him and others six full days, including today, to read the document. Furthermore, she said, only about ten percent of the text was revised from what the Board unanimously approved on November 9<sup>th</sup>.

Rudy Gintel said he wanted to repeat his previous concern that bi-monthly meetings of the Board were not sufficiently frequent. He also thought that having elections every year, with staggered two-year terms, would be preferable to the committee’s proposal.

Larry Eisenberg asked Ms. Usher to explain a bit further her comment that ninety percent of the specific Bylaws language in front of the Board tonight is identical to what the Board had before it on November 9. He asked her to confirm that there are no substantive changes from what was approved at the November 9 meeting. She said that is the case.

Chickie Byrne apologized that she had arrived late because of another civic commitment and suggested that Ms. Usher reread or again review the recommended language addressing the four substantive issues debated and voted upon at the previous meeting. Ms. Usher did so.

Mr. Eisenberg thanked Ms. Usher and noted that he understood that whatever is recommended by this Board still must be acceptable to BONC. Ms. Usher concurred. He said he still feels that there should be no hurry or rush to reduce the size of the Board and that he would oppose the Motion for that reason.

Jolene Snett stated that she was surprised by the expressed objection that there had been insufficient time to review the materials distributed by the committee. The exact language for the bulk of the text was unanimously adopted on November 9<sup>th</sup> and has been fully available for more than two months, and the committee’s recommendation on the language for the final 10% had been circulated and posted exactly as the law requires. Further, she had heard of no objections along this line other than from Mr. Zeiss.

Anna-Kria King, sitting as the Alternate for Ruth Silveira, observed that “I’m only an Alternate, and I am fully aware of what is proposed.”

Stanley Treitel, sitting as the Alternate for Michael Rosenberg, referred to the arguments presented in tonight’s presentation by Mr. Forbes and in Recommendation 3 of

the committee's November 2, 2005, Report, where it was observed that the committee's proposals seemed to be in keeping with the actual population of Stakeholders within Greater Wilshire. Mr. Treitel stated that he felt it was not appropriate to have fifteen geographic seats that would result in nearly 72% of the total seats being reserved for those who live, work, or own property within the GWNC's boundaries. "This is not a home owners' association," he said.

Mr. Treitel asked if he could make a substantive amendment to the Motion at this time, and it was ruled that he could offer an amendment to the Motion if it is adopted.

At approximately 8:30 p.m., Mr. Eisenberg had to leave the meeting, and his alternate, Gary Gilbert, took his seat.

Jon Vein, sitting as the Alternate for Carolyn Bennett, suggested that there might be a need for dialogue with DONE and BONC in order to obtain BONC's approval of Amended Bylaws and that a fifth point in Jane Usher's Motion could be added as follows:

"5. Direct the President and/or the Ad Hoc Committee (at the President's discretion), when bringing back changes to the Board for its review and approval, to continue with this process of exchange with DONE and/or BONC as many times as may be required until the amended Bylaws either are certified or rejected by BONC."

Ms. Usher and Ms. Chvatal said they accepted the proposed clarification language, and the President ruled that, without objection, the Motion was so amended. There being no further discussion, the President called the question on the Motion made by Ms. Usher, as amended. A roll call vote was requested, and the tally resulted in the Motion to amend the Bylaws being adopted by more than two-thirds of the Board in favor, with the tally of the 26 Directors in favor and 4 Directors opposed being as follows:

The 26 Directors voting in favor of the Motion and approving the Amended Bylaws as presented were: Yigal Arens, Chickie Byrne, Jon Vein (Alternate for Carolyn D. Bennett), Arnold Castaneda, Moon Chung, Cindy Chvatal, Charles Dougherty, Roy Forbes, Elizabeth Fuller, Tom Gibbons, Jane Gilman, Rudolph Gintel, Margaret Hudson, Lisa Hutchins, Arlin Low, Richard Battaglia (Alternate for Shemaya Mandelbaum), Norman Murdoch, Susan O'Connell, Van Dyke Parks, Mary Rajswing, Anna-Kria King (Alternate for Ruth Silveira), Jolene Snett, Jane Usher, Robert Wishart, James Wolf, and John A. Woodward III.

The 4 Directors voting against the Motion and against approving the Amended Bylaws as presented were: Gary Gilbert (Alternate for Larry Eisenberg), Stanley Treitel (Alternate for Michael Rosenberg), Baruch Twersky, and Gary Zeiss.



Mr. Treitel then moved that the Amended Bylaws be further amended to modify Article VI to provide for staggered elections, with one-half of the Board being elected every year, commencing in March 2007. The Motion failed for lack of a second.

Report on Initial Organization

President Dougherty reported that inquiries still are being made about office space within the Council boundaries, and he stated that the officers expect to have a positive report at the next Board meeting. The best possibility appears to be renting a small space within the headquarters building of the Junior League of Los Angeles at 630 North Larchmont Boulevard. Whether this will be possible should be decided at the League's upcoming board meeting on January 28, 2005. The proposed \$500 per month rent will include use of some equipment such as telephone and a photocopier.

Mr. Dougherty observed that the preferred location for Board meetings remains the Ebell, which has generally better parking and restroom facilities and also has staff that does the necessary set-up and take-down of tables and chairs. Mr. Dougherty stated that the GWNC's officers intend to work out a regular arrangement with the Ebell. In response to a question raised about the cost, Mr. Dougherty responded that a conservative cost estimate, which included the space rental, set-up and take-down, parking, ice water, etc., had been included in the GWNC Budget for the upcoming year.

At approximately 8:50 p.m., Mr. Treitel had to leave the meeting.

Mr. Dougherty asked Ms. O'Connell to report on plans for securing needed administrative assistance. She said that one immediate goal is to create a GWNC database in order to communicate better with Stakeholders throughout the community. Ms. O'Connell said that a City contractor is available at \$30 per hour, with \$15 of that actually going to the person who is the clerk doing the work, but that the City has told her that database design and input is a more sophisticated skill than such clerical staff generally possess. Ms. O'Connell is in touch with a local administrative service professional whose billing rate would be approximately \$20 per hour. The officers will review a specific proposal and decide whether to go forward. In any case, all the information obtained for the database would remain private. Jeffrey Young volunteered to help set up the database, and Jane Usher volunteered to help insure the privacy of the Stakeholder information we collect.

Report on Issues Survey

President Dougherty asked Jim Wolf to report on the findings of his *ad hoc* committee. Mr. Wolf presented a written report (a copy of which is attached to the record set of these Minutes). Mr. Wolf said that the list of issues in his report could serve as a catalyst to start addressing concerns in the Council area.

The President asked for public comment, and John Welborne suggested that volunteers need to chair committees to address the specific issues presented.

Board member comments followed. Norman Murdoch suggested consolidation of some of the bullet points so there would be fewer potential committees and so that a particular committee would address related issues. Susan O'Connell said the Council needs to attract more people to attend its meetings or possible committee meetings and that the participation of more Stakeholders would serve to better prioritize the most important issues. Liz Fuller asked if non-Board members can serve on committees. Mr. Wolf said anyone is eligible to serve on the committees. Formal standing committees will, however, be subject to the provisions of the Brown Act.

Mr. Dougherty pointed out that the GWNC now has letterhead. There soon may be more substantive Neighborhood Council work underway with respect to evaluating and commenting upon local issues. As we move forward, if anyone thinks the writing of a GWNC letter might be appropriate, please contact him so it may be on letterhead.

At this point, at approximately 9:12 p.m., discussion turned to some of the land use and zoning issues on the list, and Jane Usher left the room.

Ms. Chvatal requested that the proposed Hancock Park Historic Preservation Overlay Zone be placed on the GWNC's next agenda for possible discussion and action. Stakeholder Kerry Morrison, speaking on behalf of Stakeholder The Los Angeles Tennis Club, reported that a real estate developer is seeking to double the existing allowable density on property on Melrose Avenue between Wilcox and Cahuenga. She said that the Tennis Club and many adjacent neighbors were very concerned about the proposed project and the bad precedent it would set by changing zones within the Wilshire Community Plan, which was just re-adopted by the City Council in 2001. Ms. Morrison said that a City hearing is set for January 25<sup>th</sup> and she would like individual GWNC Directors and Stakeholders to attend to support the existing zoning. If the issue is not resolved prior to the next GWNC Board meeting, she hopes the matter will be on the GWNC Board agenda then.

Mr. Wolf mentioned that the City's Early Notification System seems to be inadequate for providing advance notice of local issues. Mr. Dougherty thanked Mr. Wolf for his thorough report and asked those interested in serving on committees like the ones suggested in Mr. Wolf's report to email both him and Mr. Wolf.

At this point, at approximately 9:25 p.m., Ms. Usher returned to the room.

#### Report on Project Survey

President Dougherty asked Margy Hudson to report on possible neighborhood projects with which the GWNC possibly could assist. She mentioned possibilities in the following areas: pocket parks, a new copy machine for Third Street School, speed bumps, community identifying signage, street trees, and street parking issues. She reported that the number one issue is emergency preparedness. Ms. Hudson said that the date of an upcoming emergency preparedness seminar would be sent to Board members. Gary Gilbert and Patty Lombard volunteered to serve on Ms. Hudson's *ad hoc* Project Survey committee. Ms. Usher suggested that the committee investigate whether there may be available grant funding for some possible GWNC community projects.

#### Report on Liaison Committee

President Dougherty asked for an update from Roy Forbes. Mr. Forbes said he had been working on this matter with Larry Eisenberg. They are seeking to determine which City and community agencies wish to establish ongoing dialogue with the GWNC and who, in turn, from the GWNC might volunteer to participate in such dialogue. Mr. Forbes presented a brief written report showing some of the agencies that have interest in contacting the GWNC. He noted that the Report (a copy of which is attached to the record set of these Minutes) suggests options for further discussion by the Board.

#### Report on Council File Situation

President Dougherty asked Arlin Low to give a report on the movement by a number of neighborhood councils to create a system where City Council Files may be created by Motion from a neighborhood council. Ms. Low stated that she has been in contact with representatives of the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council, the chief proponent of this idea. Hearings are upcoming at City Hall. Lisa Hutchins mentioned that she is continuing to familiarize herself with the existing procedure for voicing neighborhood council views through "Community Impact Statements."

#### Board Member Comments / New Business

Mr. Forbes reported that the City Planning Department is putting together a panel to address how best to interact with neighborhood councils. He asked that someone contact him to volunteer to be a GWNC representative to sit in on these meetings. Mr. Forbes also suggested that the GWNC adopt a position opposing the Hollywood Dell apartment rezoning reported on by Ms. Morrison.

At this point, approximately 9:50 p.m., Jane Usher left the room.

John Welborne suggested the Board could vote now to put the matter on the next GWNC agenda. Upon a motion made by Mr. Forbes and seconded by Ms. Hutchins, the Board unanimously agreed that it will consider at its next meeting taking an official GWNC position on the zone change requested by the developers of the land now used for the Hollywood Dell apartments.

Ms. Usher was invited back into the room at approximately 9:55 p.m.

#### Public Comments

Russell Sherman said he soon will be sending an e-mail to Board members and others asking for support in implementing a Preferential Parking District for the residential streets between Third Street and Wilshire Boulevard, from La Brea Avenue to Highland Avenue. He requested that this item be on the next GWNC Board meeting agenda. Mr. Zeiss and Mr. Dougherty reported that several requests to Mr. Michael Rosenberg regarding his transferring to GWNC the various GWNC domain names that Mr. Rosenberg has personally registered have so far resulted in no positive response. Apparently, Mr. Rosenberg has been out of the country a great deal attending to family illness and other matters. Mr. Zeiss commented that the Minutes had not been sent until Friday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, and that he recommended they be distributed further in advance and that they have "DRAFT" marked on them. The Secretary thanked Mr. Zeiss for his suggestions. John Welborne and Jeffrey Young suggested that the meeting dates and the "greaterwilshire.org" web site address be publicized, for example, in a regular, monthly *Larchmont Chronicle* advertisement. Jane Usher reminded the Board members to regularly check the GWNC's web site.

#### Announcements

President Dougherty reminded the Board that the next regular bi-monthly meeting will be on Wednesday, March 8, 2006, at The Ebell of Los Angeles at 7 p.m.

#### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Jane Gilman  
Secretary