

Isla Vista Tenants Union Committee Meeting
October 4, 2007

I. Call to order at: 6:00pm

Attendance: Ana Contreras, Marilyn Dukes, Kristine Lee, Julio Martinez, David Presiado, Margaret Prest, Lindsey Quock, Gerson Sorto

II. Announcements

- **Art Exhibit: Oct. 30th through Nov. 7**
- **We need to plan an opening reception**
- **Fliers available at the MCC**

III. Old Business

a) Homegrown

- What do we want from the event? Our goals?
- Outreach: Start to knock on doors, see what the tenants would like as a theme
- An option would be a survey that can show what the majority of people want as theme
- What organizations can we involve with this event?

b) Art Exhibit

- Process:
 - Contract is drafted, has been sent to the MCC and to the Art Museum in L.A.
 - MCC approved it, Art Museum have not responded back
 - After Art Museum in L.A. Approves it, the petition will be sent to the business services at UCSB, they look it over and could make changes if needed. After approval, Maricela, Susana needs to sign it and then to the Center for the Study of Political graphics.
- *Discussion meeting after the exhibit?*
- Speakers
 - Speaker for the event, Marisol Guerrero, she performed “We Should Not Be Moved”.
 - The Art Exhibits approximate time is 5:30 or 6:00 on a Tuesday and the opening reception is usually one hour.
 - We should go out to the long-term community to let them know about the Art Exhibit. An option is making door hangers. This can also be used for membership outreach.
 - Another speaker could be one of the evicted Cedarwood tenants from last year.
 - We can present our speakers at the launch area of the MCC
 - We need to contact Viviana from the MCC to ask her if we can make arrangements, as far as where to have our speakers and the time needed for them to speak.
- First hour of Reception- Guests can mingle and eat, then we'll have IVTU introductions and speaker introductions, following we'll explain our goals for the Art Exhibit
- The speakers would talk from 5-10min.

IV. Membership Drive

- We should go door to door to attract members, tenants.
- Oct. 17 OSL activities Fair (if we don't have a table we can talk to Allan Shander to see if we can share a table or get one)

V. IVPOA Code of conduct

- Us getting to know the property owners would make our work better, because they are also human and when we build a relationship is much easier to deal with problems.
- Evictions destroy the diversity of our community
- Is there a protocol that we can establish between the IVPOA and IVTU so we can act right away after properties are sold to some other company. (the IVPOA didn't approve Conquest to move in, and IVTU could have done something sooner.
- Evictions happens every other year
- The relationship between the IVPOA and IVTU should be of good communication but not friendship. We should let them know regularly of their responsibilities, staying in contact. Maybe we could organize another reception with the IVPOA to further improve relationship.
- We can start the “Rate your Landlord” web site again to help tenants in IV submit their complains

VI. New Business

A. New meeting time at 5:30pm

B. Schedule of Office Hours

C. A.S. Directory featuring IVTU

- We need to submit something we have done, the Security Deposit flier from Wolf and Associates, and Conquest protest or design something with “shady property manager”
- We need an article, needs to be one page. Gerson will work on it by Monday

D. Budget allocation for fundraiser

- We should have on our web site, “interested on doing events for the community?, come for financial support form IVTU”

VII. Adjournment

At 7:00pm