

# THE FEDERATION

OF HILLSIDE & CANYON ASSOCIATIONS, INC.  
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NOVEMBER 2006 **MINUTES**

FOUNDED IN 1952

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Homeowners of Encino

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LaTuna Canyon

Laurel Canyon

Lookout Mountain

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## THE FEDERATION OF HILLSIDE AND CANYON ASSOCIATIONS, INC. (DRAFT) MINUTES

### GENERAL MEETING OF November 1, 2006

**Location:** Osula School, Studio City

**President Polly Ward** called the meeting to order at 8:02 pm. A quorum was not reached (11 voting members).

**President Ward:** Discussion on changing the meeting time from 8:00 pm to 7:30 pm, the consensus is to keep it at 8:00 pm.

**Self-introduction** of all in attendance. **September and October draft minutes** were discussed with no changes made.

**President Ward: State bond issues** discussed, for upcoming November 7 elections/ballot issues:

1A: vote "yes" (Transportation funding should be applied only to transportation needs). All other bond issues should be "no" because they raise taxes, yet money raised is NOT locked into intended purposes.

**President Ward: Benedict Canyon fire** from several months ago, lack of brush clearance, Santa Monica Conservancy is under fire from many groups for not doing its brush clearance.

**Vice-President Joan Luchs: Edelman and Santa Monica Conservancy**, and the difficulty of getting brush clearance issues on its agendas at regular meetings, and Dec. 6 meeting coming up.

**Recording Secretary Frank Buchanan** offers to be responsible for sending out monthly email blasts for all Federation meetings in order to increase attendance at regular meetings.

**Mel Remba: PLUM yesterday and Mt.**

**Olympus:** Drug and alcohol rehab houses are springing up all over. There's one in Mt. Olympus, with 6 beds and medical personnel. **Guest speaker, attorney Stephanie Granato:** 6 unconstituted individuals define a "family", even though there's no blood relation. Some facilities are unlicensed. Ratio of care providers to residents can be 3 to 1 (chef, driver, masseuse, nurse, housekeeper, spiritual advisors, medical & mental doctors, etc). Extremely lucrative business: \$8000 per week income is common. Concern is the detriment to neighborhoods due to unsavory residents of these houses and increased traffic and parking issues. State, Federal Law allow these types of houses in residential areas, so the city can't prohibit it...yet. The city is exploring possibilities of developing an initiative and lobbying to change the applicable laws. Eagle Rock sent a huge contingent to the PLUM meeting because residents feel it's ruining their community (comparison with the recent Kagel Canyon Skid Row homeless person relocation center was made by several Federation members).

**Joan Luchs: Gail Goldberg** is causing planning department employees to leave their jobs.

**Carol Sidlow:** update on planning dept. and personnel changes including Emily Gabel Luddy.

**Mel Remba:** suggests the idea of moving Dec. 6 Federation meeting to Mulholland Tennis Club recreation facility, and including holiday dinner, in order to create a venue that could help increase participation and interest in the Federation.

**Frank Buchanan** announces he has now been elected President of the **La Tuna Canyon Community Association**, which could change LTCCA reps to the Federation

**Patricia Hearst:** Symbiosis magazine and the **Clean Water Act.**

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President Ward adjourns the meeting at 9:17 pm

FRANK BUCHANAN, Recording Secretary

## FEDERATION OFFICERS PRESENT

President	Polly Ward
Treasurer	Fritz Zeiser
Vice President	Joan Luchs
Executive Secretary	Marilyn Stefano
Recording Secretary	Frank Buchanan
Chairman Emeritus	Patricia Hearst

## FEDERATION DIRECTORS PRESENT

Benedict Canyon	Marilyn Stefano
CahuengaPassN A	Joan Luchs
LaTuna Cyn Comm	Frank Buchanan
Lookout Mtn.Alliance	Carol Sidlow
Mt. Olympus	Mel Remba
Mount Washington	Ann Walnum
Nichols Canyon	Madeline O'Donnell
No.Bev.Dr/Franklin	Robert Levy
Roscomare Valley	Fritz Zeiser
Sherman Oaks	Niles D. Chapman
Studio City	Polly Ward

## NON-VOTING MEMBERS & GUESTS

Roscomare Valley	Steve Twining
Chairman Emeritus	Patricia Bell Hearst
Mt. Olympus	Stephanie Granato, Atty.