

WONA General Meeting #4
Win6 & Advocacy at Cypress Senior Center
September 15, 2014 – 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Approximate attendance: 40. Facilitators: Daphna Woolfe & Susan Norris. Fliers (800) had been distributed to the 880 unit neighborhood. The Center actually had our reservation, and allowed us to set up at 6:30 and do our fruit swap. A sign up sheet was available at the door. Goodies (chocolate chip cookies) were available. Bob Wickersham served as Sergeant at arms.

A business meeting opened the meeting. Dates of upcoming meetings with candidates for office and city meetings were provided and will be transmitted to members via email. Daphna welcomed the membership with the request for more block reps & the need to minimize the use of fliers. The member of the month award was conferred on Sharon Forrester. It was noted that the both D1 candidates are present, and that endorsing a candidate was an individual choice – WONA believes that we can work well with either candidate. Planning is underway for meeting the D3 & D7 candidates. Kudos were given to both WONA & WRSHOA for their work culminating in city council's decision to include the mobile home park conversion ordinance in the list of the 10 to be updated. Housekeeping details included were the availability of donation forms & WONA T-shirts, and voting rules for the January meeting, Daphna reported on her liaison with Federal (FR) and their plans for the Century 21 property, and WONA promise to provide to FR recommended usage of the building in October.

Kirk Vartan fielded questions on Win6 Village/Agrihood Community planning concept, which includes Santa Clara, D1 & D6 of San Jose, as well as the on-site Veteran's organization (contacts: www.win6village.org Kirk Vartan at info@win6village.org or 408.666.6661).

Michele Beasley (representing the Greenbelt Alliance) offered tips for campaign planning and execution. Examples were given of Greenbelt Alliance success stories. Getting people out of their cars, time is money for developers, developing a relationship with city planners, and lobbying the elected were key themes.

The next general membership meeting is scheduled for November 17, 2014.

Respectfully Submitted, Jim Reyner, Secretary of WONA