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AD HOC GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Monday August 24, 2009 – 6:00 PM

KOLPING HOUSE

1225 S. UNION, LOS ANGELES, CA 90006

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call**

Meeting called to order at 6:15pm by Chair, Erick Martell. Members present at roll call: Jessica Carrillo, John Cameron Kelley, Erick Martell. Members Excused: Irene Lewis. Quorum reached. Several members of public present.

2. **Introduction of Grievance Presented to PUNC**

Chair read into the record the Ian Davis grievance dated July 4, 2009. Chair stated that after Ian Davis was sent notice of the meeting Ian Davis notified committee he would not attend. Committee requested Ian Davis to provide additional dates to meet with the Committee but he declined to provide them.

4. **Public Comments**

Ronnie Lopez - With Pico Union Housing Corp. States Ian Davis maintained 100% perfect attendance.

Carmelo Alvarez - Concerned with lack of youth representative on NC board.

Erick Pelliante - Spoke on behalf of Ian Davis and submitted challenge to board members on grievance committee on behalf of Ian Davis

Rubiselia Maldonado - Wants youth voice to be heard

Cindy Medina – Requests agendas and minutes. Committee informed her that these are available on NC's website.

Sinnai Pedro – Supports Ian Davis grievance because youth position has been removed and the board should not hear the grievance. Board has disrespected the youth and should reinstate the youth position.

Eli Flores - Waived his time to speak

Gloria L. Farias – States youth is being disrespected the way she was mistreated as secretary [sic; she was treasurer, not secretary] of the NC. Demands to know when youth position was removed and why. Claims committee never went to youth committee.

Claims designated posting locations for agendas has not worked.

Mark Lee – Appreciates public comments but committee must adhere to NC bylaws.

3. **Committee Member Discussion of Merits of Grievance**

Committee begins discussion of grievance but Gloria Farias repeatedly interrupts discussion. Committee warns her she will be asked to leave if she does not cease interrupting proceeding. After interrupting again, Committee advises Farias it will terminate proceeding if she does not refrain from speaking out of turn and being disrespectful to the Committee. Farias departs from proceeding and directs others including youth in the room to depart with her.

Motion: The Committee should proceed with the evaluation of the merits of the grievance because Ian Davis was given opportunity to attend tonight's meeting as well as opportunity to provide the Committee alternate dates to meet. Motion by Cameron, 2nd by Jessica. Unanimous approval.

Committee discusses each of the allegations of the grievance and evaluates the validity of each allegation based on review of bylaws, meeting agendas and meeting minutes.

Motion: Recommend to general board that allegations are unsubstantiated and that the grievance has no merit. Motion by Cameron, 2nd by Erick. Unanimous approval.

5. **Committee Member Comments**

None.

6. **Adjournment**

Motion: To adjourn. Motion by Cameron, 2nd by Erick. Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.