



CLU Quarterly Neighborhood Meeting Minutes

Oct. 25, 2011, 7:00 p.m.

Roth Nelson Room

CLU Staff Members in attendance:

Valerie Crooks, Senior Project Manager
Lynda Fulford, Associate Vice President for University Relations
Mark Jacobsen, Director of Facilities Management
Cindy Keitel, Community Relations Coordinator
Fred Miller, Director Campus Public Safety
Ryan Van Ommeren, Associate Vice President of Facilities

Conejo Recreation and Park District Staff Members in attendance:

Dee Pearson, Aquatics Program Director

Law Enforcement in attendance:

Deputy Ananta, Thousand Oaks Police Department

16 neighbors in attendance

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Purpose: An open forum to review and resolve neighbor issues related to CLU operations and events and to provide updates on campus construction projects. These meetings are hosted by CLU and offered as a community service to neighbors who live within 500 feet of the University.

Introductions

Ryan Van Ommeren, Associate Vice President of Facilities, opened the meeting followed by introductions from each of the University staff in attendance.

Construction on Campus

1. Rolland Stadium – The project was delayed due to rain and is just now being completed. The workers are finishing the pavers and other final touches in time for the stadium dedication and art gallery opening this weekend.
2. New Dining Facility – A rendering of the new facility was on display. The plans are to remove the Pavilion and Student Union building and build the new building on the existing site. Valerie

mentioned that they are currently looking at the design process but that the construction schedule for this facility is unclear. There will be more information about this project at the next meeting.

3. Ramp – A ramp will be created near the corner of Mountclef Boulevard and Olsen Road to provide walkers from south campus with a safer and shorter route to north campus facilities. It will be handicap accessible.
4. Monument Sign – There will be new signage on the corner of Mountclef Boulevard and Olsen Road. Ryan mentioned that will help tie together the two sides of our campus.

Neighbor Comments and Questions Regarding Construction on Campus

Q. A neighbor asked why the ground was dug up near Olsen Road.

R. Ryan responded that it is part of the ramp project. It will provide a shortcut to north campus facilities for walkers coming from south campus. Adding the ramp will not decrease the number of parking spaces.

Upcoming Events

1. Homecoming and Family Weekend – Oct. 28-30
 - a. Tailgate Party – Saturday, 11 a.m., Lundring Events Center
 - b. Stadium Dedication – Saturday, 12:30 p.m., William Rolland Stadium
 - c. Family Festival – outside grass area near the library
 - d. Carnival – moved to Saturday night from Friday night, 6 p.m. to midnight, Memorial Parkway

Event Parking Discussion

Fred Miller stated that there was a parking plan in place to handle the expected homecoming crowds. There will be two city of Thousand Oaks sheriff's deputies, six-to-seven CLU public safety officers and a number of student security staff. They will be directing traffic at the north campus entrance and directing drivers to the dirt overflow parking lot as well as to south campus parking. *No Parking* signs will be posted near key street corners to discourage neighborhood parking. Staff will be wearing security vests and informing people not to park in those areas.

The minutes from June 7, 2011 were reviewed.

Neighbor Comments and Questions

S. A neighbor mentioned that students should not be standing next to the rails of the stadium at the football games. People behind them could not see the game.

Q. A neighbor requested dust control for the overflow dirt parking lot.

A. Valerie commented that this had been done and that it was well sealed.

S. A neighbor requested that *No Parking* signs not be placed in front of mail boxes or fire hydrants.

S. Dee Pearson from CRPD mentioned that the community pool would close on Saturday, Oct. 29 at noon. This should help free up parking spaces around the pool for the game.

S. Fred Miller commented there is no turnaround by the stadium on the frontage road above Olsen. Officers would be directing drivers back to the main road away from the stadium and pool area. North campus parking around the pool and Gilbert Sports and Fitness Center was expected to fill up first. He mentioned that there will be two electric street signs to direct drivers to other parts of campus such as south campus.

Q. A neighbor commented that at a previous football game he had not seen anyone directing traffic and indicated there had been traffic problems.

A. Fred stated that there had been a deputy at the corner for games and there had been no reported traffic issues. He encouraged neighbors to call authorities at (805) 654-9511 right away on any traffic issues or violations that they witness.

S. A neighbor congratulated CLU on the attractive stadium bell tower and for improved light control in the student housing stairwell that had previously been a problem.

Q. Neighbors from Raindance, which is a street West of University Village, mentioned their initial concern about the sound system being too loud at the first football game. They said it had been toned down since then. Their ongoing concern was the stadium lighting and the negative impact it was having on their street. They wanted lighting levels reviewed and adjusted as they thought it was too bright.

A. Valerie commented that the Musco lighting spill was already programmed and adjusted and was performing exactly as it should be. The readings were as predicted at .2 foot candles. She stressed that they are seeing lights in the distance and not on their street. Ryan stated that his area would check the light levels on Raindance. He also mentioned that the stadium has lower lighting levels for practices and asked if neighbors could see a difference in the lighting levels. A neighbor replied that she hadn't studied it so couldn't comment.

Q. A neighbor asked what had happened to the pine tree that was near the corner of Mountclef and Olsen. Someone used to decorate it for Christmas.

A. No one in attendance could recall such a tree.

S. A neighbor suggested that we install a stadium kiosk to indicate the sports that are played in the new stadium.

Q. A neighbor complained that the PA system at the July swim meet was too loud and she could not hear her television. She also commented that she knew Dan Slattery had tried very hard to prevent a repeat of the street parking issues from the past year but that drivers had ignored him. She asked that CLU control the noise problem.

A. Ryan stated that they had taken readings during the swim meet and that they were within the appropriate range.

S. Ryan asked interested Raindance neighbors to put a star next to their name on the sign-in sheet and that he would get back to those people once he checked the lighting levels on their street.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

The next quarterly meeting will be announced at a later time.