

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
North College Park Neighborhood Association
10:00 AM. Saturday, September 21, 2013
Russell's and Sandy's Home
1215 Windsong Trail
Richardson, Texas

Board of Directors:

Directors Present: Russell Bowen, Sandy Bowen, Dick Rawlings, Lynn Neill, Doug Freeman, Gary Vaughn, Walt Gromadin, and Mike Petree

Proceedings:

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – Russell called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM. The meeting included the following agenda items:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – A motion was made to approve the Minutes of the August 24th Board of Directors Meeting and the it was seconded and approved unanimously.

WEBSITE UPDATE – Board Minutes need to be updated on the website. Also, there is interest in displaying on the website either a group portrait or individual portraits of the Board Members.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Gary presented the Treasurer's Report with a September 18 book balance of \$6,688.46. A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's Report and it was passed unanimously.

As a clarification, it was decided that it is more pertinent to list the category of an approved expense instead of the person who is seeking to be re-imbursed. In addition it was suggested that a year-to-date column be added to the North College Park Financial Report spreadsheet.

EXPENSE ALLOCATIONS – Stamp expenses of \$9.20 plus a future allocation of \$10 were approved. Member drive expenses for envelopes and 415 photocopies for \$13.00 were also approved. Doug reminded the other Directors of the previous allocation of \$180 for the Boy Scouts to put up 6 flags in the neighborhood for 7 holidays over the next year. The allocation is considered a payment for services, not a donation. Also, Veterans day in November is free.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT – As the membership renewals are still coming in the results so far are tentative. Lynn mentioned that 35 had paid with Paypal. On the forms that were sent in, 32 people volunteered

for various work groups, such as the Christmas Holiday work group. Two people mentioned a newsletter work group.

NNO – Final advance planning meeting on September 21st at 2:00 PM at Twin Rivers Senior Living Facility. Doug said that he planned on attending.

There was also a general discussion of who is in charge of what happens on NNO. Some of the discussion was focused on setting up a voter registration table. There was general agreement that this would be appropriate only if it was non-affiliated.

Also discussed was whether or not to go in with the other Neighborhood Associations to buy a Pretzel Making Machine that would then be donated to Jess Harben. After some discussion the decision was not to contribute to the purchase of the pretzel machine.

The date for the National Night Out event is Tuesday, October 1st.

HOA PRESIDENTS MEETING WITH THE CITY COUNCIL – Russell attended the meeting and gave us a report. Among the things mentioned, Dan Johnson, the city manager, stated that the projects budgeted by the 2010 Bond Issue were 87% complete. There will soon be a ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Fire Training Center. Renter registration rules are going to be more strict. There will be a Dedicated Day of Service for Peter Burkes who was killed in Iraq in 2007. The YMCA is celebrating it's 50th Anniversary. City of Richardson sewer rates are going to go up. And as for watering restrictions, there is a chance that we may go back to twice a week next May. East of the new State Farm Development Complex the city is putting in two roads and there may be a small park put in near the same area South of Renner. Russell reported that it was a good meeting, lasting about an hour and a half.

FALL NEIGHBORHOOD LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP – Russell and Sandy plan to attend this October 15th Workshop.

SATURDAY AT THE MOVIES EVENT – This is a neighborhood activity that the Neighborhood Association is sponsoring. The emails have gone out for this October 5th event. A request was made for a sheet of Stationary to aid with donation solicitation. Lynn said that he would use our Logo to create stationary for that purpose.

NEXTDOOR.COM AND NCPNA BOUNDARIES – Doug pointed out that the Boundaries for Nextdoor.COM for the NCPNA don't agree the Association's. The difference is the 25 houses south of Spring Valley. Two people are listed as leads for the neighborhood on the NextDoor.com site, but they haven't responded to emails seeking a correction.

CRIME WATCH PATROL REPORT – Over 60 people have been trained for Crime Watch Patrol and about 20 are actively patrolling. Russell mentioned that Frank Bradford is doing a great job as lead. Also, Doug mentioned that John LeGreca should be sent a thank you letter for the contributions that he has made to make Crime Watch Patrol a success. However, more volunteers, especially with a wider variety of patrol times, would help to continue making North College Park a safer neighborhood.

HOUSE SIGNS – Doug reported that we now have 87 individual and 14 street signs for a total of 101 street signs. Requests are still coming in for this very successful project.

BLOCK CAPTAINS - Two new sign ups, Pat Lewis for Kenshire and Mike Schupp for Serenade Lane. The block captions play an important role in the neighborhood and Russell mentioned that they should also should be sent a thank you for their efforts.

SCHEDULING MEETINGS FOR THE 2013-2014 YEAR – For hosting Board of Directors Meetings for the upcoming year. All of the scheduled dates now have hosts.

TWIN RIVERS/GLENVILLE FIELD DEVELOPMENT – The second Public Hearing on the Twin Rivers Field development was held on September 5th. Three options are currently under consideration: a formal manicured park, arbors with an educational component and native planting with a trail and bridge over the creek. A handout for this public hearing is available at the [NCPNA website](#).

CLOSING THOUGHTS – There was a general discussion about the Association being involved in more projects. Dick mentioned that we need to spend the Annual Dues that we are collecting. Russell also mentioned that we're carrying too much money over. Sponsoring events with speakers that can present information useful to the neighborhood, such as xeroscaping and setting up rain barrels were among the suggestions made.

MEETING ADJOURNED – A motion was made to adjourn at 11:25 AM and it was seconded and unanimously approved.

ADDENDUM – Email commentary after the meeting indicates that the vote not to participate in the purchase of the Pretzel Machine was reversed by email vote of the Directors. The next meeting of the Board of Directors will need to re-consider the decision. Also, there was a motion to approve \$50 for the performance of the Berkner Jazz Band at National Night Out.

The next meeting of the BOD is scheduled for Saturday, November 2,

2013 at 10:00 AM. At Walt's and Janice's house.

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