

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
North College Park Neighborhood Association
10:00 AM, Saturday, March 7, 2015
Gary's Home
806 Serenade Lane
Richardson, Texas

Board of Directors:

Directors Present: Russell Bowen, Sandy Bowen, Dick Rawlings, Lynn Neill, Gary Vaughn, Mike Petree, John Slaughter(volunteer), JC Elliott(volunteer)

Proceedings:

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – Russell called the meeting to order at 10:04 AM. The meeting included the following agenda items:

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Dick pointed out a grammar mistake that needed to be corrected. Subject to that correction, a motion was made to approve the Minutes of the February 7th Board of Directors Meeting and it was seconded and approved unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT AND BILLS – Gary gave the Financial Status Report. The March 7th balance was reported as \$5,860.26. The main difference from the previous month was an accounting category change. It was decided that media sign expenses should be accounted for as operating cost, not as membership drive expenses. As a result, the \$1,648.04 for media signs was subtracted from 'Activities/Membership Drive Expenses' and added to 'Operating costs/Median Signs.' The move only changed how the expense was accounted for. The expenditure total is not changed. A motion was made to approve the Financial Report and it was seconded and approved unanimously.

UPCOMING EVENTS –

SPRING CELEBRATION – The 21st of March Spring Celebration is still on track. The expenses are estimated to be about \$200, so a motion was made to approve that amount for Spring Celebration expenses and it was seconded and approved unanimously.

APRIL 18TH TRASH BASH – This event is part of an organized City of Richardson clean up effort. Dick signed up to represent NCPNA and JC signed up to help with Glenville Park. JC said that she will also help to coordinate the effort to focus on our neighborhood. Gary

mentioned that picking up trash around the railroad tracks should be included. John said that he could provide his truck as a local drop off point for electronic recycling such as printers, TVs, and computers. In addition, interest was expressed in having blue recycling bags available to hand out. It was also mentioned that the 'Trash Bash' needs to be on the website calendar.

MAY 2nd NEIGHBORHOODS GARAGE SALE – We don't have specific signs for the garage sale event. Dick suggested 'Garage Sale' inserts for the median signs. There will also be some publicity from the other neighborhoods that are participating. This event should also be promoted on the neighborhood website.

CWP TRAINING/UPDATING TELEPHONE #'S – There are no sign ups for the March 11th Crime Watch Patrol Training Program. Russell said that the neighborhood is down to about twelve regulars, and that we need to get more people interested in the training so that we can add to our coverage.

Doug has been working on updating the resident contact phone numbers. The web site contact list is now merged with the patroller's list. Dick mentioned that the Locate Family web site might also be a helpful reference.

Patrollers help with the updating too. For example, when a Crime Watch Patroller calls a resident to notify them of an open garage door. If there is no answer, a note can be sent to Doug or Russell for a letter or email follow up.

DRAFT LETTERS

BLOCK CAPTAINS – There is an interest in clarifying the responsibilities of Block Captains. To get started with this, Sandy handed around a draft form of a thank you letter to Block Captains. It included the news that flyers were now being distributed by the Boy Scouts. This led to a general discussion about the importance of Block Captains but that more work remains to be done to clarify their present role.

CITY COUNCIL/PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT- Sandy handed out a draft of the 'Thank you' note for the City of Richardson for the new playground equipment. After some discussion it was agreed that the letter expressed the appropriate thoughts.

ALL RESIDENTS CARDSTOCK FLYER- JC took the old 2008 card stock version of a general information neighborhood flyer and started a new design. She handed it around and asked for comments. Basically it cooks down two pages of information onto a ½ page two sided piece of card stock. To help with the development of the design, individual components were discussed as to their relevance. As part of the process, several related issues were touched upon. For example, there was general agreement when Dick noted the importance of keeping both

the of the web site domain names.

GROUP TICKET OFFER - Russell presented the Directors with a sports event group discount ticket offer that lead to a discussion and review of the Association's 'no advertising' policy. After consideration, the group considered it more endorsement than informational.

LAST COMMENT - Gary mentioned that the Glenville Park hill in front of the Pool was completely muddy and that some ground cover was needed to make it better. Russell said that it was an old problem that the city has tried to solve before. It was suggested that a note to the city could be sent that would remind them of the problem.

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

The next meeting of the BOD is scheduled for Saturday, April 4th, 2015 at 10:00 AM at Lynns's house.

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