



Hillcrest Community Civic Association

"Working Together for a Better Community"

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Minutes of the Board Meeting

January 3, 2015

In attendance

De'Andre Anderson

Deborah Johnson

Phillip Hammond

James Perkins

Michelle Phipps-Evans

Mary Ross

Jeanne Contardo

A. Franklin Anderson

Kenneth E. Burke

Michelle A. Peete

Ruth V. Lewis

The HCCA Board meeting was called to order at 9:40am by De'Andre Anderson, President. The minutes for the December 6, 2014 Board meeting were read by Deborah Johnson, Recording Secretary. The minutes were approved with corrections.

The January 3, 2015 Treasurer's Report was distributed by Monica Evans, Treasurer. The Board approved the report.

Ruth Lewis was commended for the excellent job on the newsletter.

Committee Reports

Communications – Ruth Lewis

Ruth gave the specifications for newsletter contributions.

- 350 words or less
- Due the 15th of each month
- Submitted to Ruth Lewis
- Articles must pertain to the community

The President reviews the newsletter. If okay, sends it to the printer. All were encouraged to submit items for the newsletter.

Education and Recreation – Jeanne Contardo

Jeanne announced the first meeting of the Committee under her leadership. The meeting will be held at Frances Gregory on January 29th from 7:00 to 8:00pm. All are invited to participate. They will work on the Committee's work plan. Will also cover the scholarship criteria and plan. The Committee is exploring a child care option for the Membership meeting.

Environment and Beautification – Mary Ross

The Algier Park project is up and running. The funds are in place. The next meeting of the Committee will be on January 19th at Mary's home. One issue of concern is storm water control. The Committee may have someone from Smart Homes speak to HCCA Membership in April. They may also send a letter to Tommy Wells once he is sworn in about Algier Park.

Fundraising – Michelle Peete

Michelle asked for ideas for fundraising. There will be no Art Auction this year.

Membership – Phillip Hammond

We need to ensure an update of the Membership roster. We also need to ensure that everyone is current including Board members.

Public Safety and Emergency – James Perkins

James indicated that he is working to get material from previous administration. He is checking with block captains to determine their interest in continuing their service. There will be guidelines provided to the neighborhood about safety of self and family. Question: Is there a block captain for 34th Street? He will check on this.

Discussion - We need to establish a closer relationship with Commander Taylor. Consider requesting to review the results of cameras on police officers. We should also help to increase sensitivity on how police officers approach people, particularly youth. Consider scheduling a summit to discuss these issues.

Street, Traffic and Transportation – Linwood Robinson (out sick)

Membership Requests, Community Concerns & Miscellaneous

- Will ask Membership about the July 4th meeting. The meeting can be automatically switched to July 11th according to the By Laws.
- Committee Work Plans are due to the HCCA Board by February 7th. The Board will discuss them at the February 9th meeting.
- By Laws are updated and as complete as possible. The website version is the latest. This version covers revisions over the last eight years. Frank, De'Andre and Michelle will continue to work on the By Laws. Michelle offered to develop a 'plain language' version for consideration. This discussion was tabled for now.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 10:25am

Respectfully Submitted

Deborah Johnson, Recording Secretary