



**Hillcrest Community Civic Association**

"Working Together for a Better Community"

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**Minutes of the Board Meeting  
August 6, 2016**

**In attendance**

Boyle Stuckey	Phillip Hammond	A. Yvonne Burke	A. Franklin Anderson
Michelle Phipps-Evans	Jeanne Contardo	Kenneth Burke	
Deborah Johnson	Ruth Lewis	Michelle Peete	
Mary F. Ross	James Perkins, Jr.	Linwood Robinson	

The HCCA Board meeting was called to order at 9:40am by Boyle Stuckey, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President.

The minutes for the July 2, 2016 meeting were read by Deborah Johnson, Recording Secretary. The minutes were approved with corrections.

The August 6, 2016 Treasurer’s Report was distributed by Boyle Stuckey. Bank statements are here to give to Monica Evans and will be held in her absence for the next meeting. Boyle Stuckey gave the summary report which was approved by the Board.

**Committee Reports**

Fundraising – Michelle Peete/Sheila Brown

Sheila Brown summarized the holiday event. She asked if the Board wants to hold a tree celebration with a planted tree. An Ad Hoc Committee is needed to work on this. Phil Hammond is looking into purchasing a tree to plant. Question: Who is going to maintain the tree? Response: The community would be responsible. A live tree costs approximately \$250.00. The Board agreed to a live tree.

Schedule options – November 26<sup>th</sup> after Thanksgiving for the tree planting.

The Committee proposed to sponsor a crab feast casino trip. The location is Chesapeake Beach. The trip would be two hours at the crab feast and the rest with people going on their own to the beach or to the casino. The event would be held on October 1<sup>st</sup> after the HCCA meeting.

The Board agreed to support the crab feast and casino trip.

Communications – Ruth Lewis

Need another host for the website domain. Boyle and Ruth are looking into options.

Education and Recreation – Jeanne Contardo

Fundraising idea for the Scholarship is to establish a guaranteed funding stream. The plan is to raise \$20,017 in 2017 to fund the \$1,000 scholarship in future years. The Committee is looking for options to make donations deductible and specific to the Scholarship. Up front cost is expected to be minimal.

The Board approved pursuing this approach. Also, there will be a 5K Hillcrest Walk/Run on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Information to follow.

Question: Is it a hardship to have Education and Recreation within one committee? Response: It is a hardship. It might be considered an option to separate these responsibilities.

The Board agreed to separate the Education and Recreation responsibilities into two separate committees.

Kenneth Burke will make the appropriate changes in the HCCA By Laws for the next meeting.

#### Environment – Mary Ross

The Poster Contest Party will be held a week from today. Submission criteria was not placed in the Newsletter. Mary Ross asked members to distribute the flyer to their neighbors. All were asked to talk to their children about competing.

#### Street Traffic – Linwood Robinson

Linwood indicated that he would update the Membership on the Branch Avenue construction.

#### Public Safety – James Perkins

James Perkins gave an update on the contacts he made with Chief Lanier. He provided copies of the e-mails.

#### Chaplain – A Franklin Anderson

Indicated to the Board that he would like to continue in his role in spite of health issues. The Board indicated that they would like him to continue as Chaplain at least through the current period.

### **Membership Requests, Community Concerns & Miscellaneous**

#### Open Discussion

Budget – Question: Do we still have a budget deficit? The question was tabled until the Treasurer could attend the meeting. Suggestion: Add statement to Membership on how funds contributed to HCCA are used. There is a need to review the language used to solicit contributions.

Board Elections– It was agreed that the Board will ask for volunteers to chair the Board of Elections at the Membership Committee. The Membership will also be asked to become members of the Committee.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 10:35am

### **Respectfully Submitted**

**Deborah Johnson, Recording Secretary**