

Winnetka Heights Neighborhood Association
Officers Meeting
Monday, May 24, 2010

The meeting was held at 509 N Montclair and was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Kyle Ward. Those present were: Kyle Ward, Michele Colbert, Diane Sherman and Trey Taylor. Kyle welcomed Michele as a newly elected member to the Board.

Kyle reported he has received input from several people following last week's General Membership Meeting in an effort to discover what misconceptions or misunderstandings may have served as catalysts that gave rise to the recent dissatisfaction. He believes, in general, there is a need for greater transparency and the recent dissatisfaction is not necessarily focused on the expenditures of funds but rather on process and communication. Kyle presented an outline (see attached) designed to increase transparency through enhanced communication and guard the free exchange of ideas.

A long discussion followed on how to achieve greater transparency and work closely towards considerable harmony. Dissemination methods were reviewed with regard to the varying levels of effectiveness and cost. The various methods for gathering ideas and input from the membership were analyzed followed by discussion on how to best consider the ideas received, how to best take action and how to gain feedback on the action taken.

The structure of and leadership for the Standing Committees was discussed. The following incumbents would be contacted by Michele to determine if they remain interested in serving:

Communications	Jeff Fahrenholtz
Community Planning and Development	Anne Hagan
Crime Watch	Kirk Kirksey
Membership	Crystal Gonzales/Erin Slettebo

A new Code Awareness Chair is needed to fill the position previously held by Linda Ward. As recommended at the General Membership Meeting, an Ad Hoc Budget and Finance Committee should be created to focus on funding, ways and means. Michele reported several members had indicated interest in serving in the area of Code Awareness and several others were interested in serving on the Budget and Finance Committee.

It was decided that Michele would contact Trace Beard to vet his level of interest in serving as Chair of Code Awareness and Lee Ruiz as Chair of Budget and Finance. Michele agreed to report back in a week.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary
June 8, 2010



**Winnetka Heights Neighborhood Association
Officers Meeting
Tuesday, June 2nd , 2010**

The meeting was held at 410 N Montclair and was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Kyle Ward. Those present were: Kyle Ward, Michele Colbert, Diane Sherman and Trey Taylor. Michele reported that the following have agreed to serve in the following roles:

Code Awareness	Trace Beard *
Membership	Crystal Gonzales
Community Planning and Development	Anne Hagan
Crime Watch	Kirk Kirksey
Communications	Jeff Fahrenholtz **

*with support from Danny Skates and Chris Albert

**with Jeff Jones continuing as webmaster of www.winnetkaheights.org

The following committees were recommended as either AdHoc in nature or as a subset to a standing committee:

Green	Erin Slettebo
Budget and Finance	Lee Ruiz
Home Tour	Marijane Michael***

*** with support from Michele Colbert.

Michele moved the Committee Chair slate be approved. David Haedge seconded. All were in favor.

Michele urged all present to consider the Budget and Finance Committee be eligible for possible promotion to a standing committee by a change to the by-laws with proper notice provided to the Membership.

The following dates were outlined for upcoming General Membership meetings:

June 15, 2010
September 14, 2010
November 30, 2010
March 1, 2011 (to announce the Nominating Committee)
June 7, 2011 (Election of Officers)

The following dates were outlined for upcoming Board Meetings:

June 8, 2010	October 26, 2010	February 2, 2011
July 27, 2010	November 23, 2010	March 22, 2011
August 24, 2010	December 28, 2010	April 26, 2011
September 28, 2010	January 25, 2011	May 24, 2011

A long discussion was devoted to the charter of the Budget and Finance Committee. It was decided the committee shall research and recommend a framework for expenditures for both: (a) general operations and maintenance of the Association as well as (b) long range goals and planning.

In formulating its recommendations, the Budget and Finance Committee shall conduct a comprehensive poll of the Membership making all reasonable effort to solicit feedback from the Membership. The Committee shall also reach out to other similar organizations to determine what other organizations have found effective and successful. It was decided the Treasurer shall serve as an automatic member of the Budget and Finance Committee and the committee would have at least 4-6 months to compile its recommendations.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary
June 8, 2010

