

WEST PACES/NORTHSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC.
***APPROVED MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF**
DIRECTORS ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2017, 7 PM,
Pace Academy, 966 West Paces Ferry Road, Atlanta, GA 30327

*Minutes were officially approved at the Board meeting on February 21, 2017.

President Fred Glass called the Meeting to order at 7 PM in the Fuqua Presentation Room at Pace Academy.

Present at the Meeting: The Meeting's attendance lists reflect 10 of 20 Board members and guests Phillip Fender and Bruce Lindsey. The following Board members did not attend the Meeting: Secretary John Barton, Fred Assaf, Michael Bell, Henry Feinstein, Maxine Feinstein, Harold Goings, Rick Orr, Jeffrey Peebles, Tom Tidwell, and Andrew Waguespack.

Intersection Update: Mr. Fender, the owner of the property adjacent to the coming remake of the Moores Mill Road/Northside Parkway intersection, presented an alternate plan to that already approved and contracted by GDOT for improving the pedestrian space next to the roadway. This pedestrian plan is not directly related to the rezoning plan presented at the last Board meeting.

Mr. Fender stated that he had been in preliminary contact with the project contractor to remove the guardrails completely and used the saved funds to increase the width of the beauty strip immediately beside the roadway, as well as to widen the sidewalk from five to six feet. He would also add a small strip of sidewalk to connect with East Wood Valley, and route storm water runoff through a pipe under Wood Valley.

The Board received his proposal with interest, and there was a discussion that followed. The Board asked Mr. Fender to include one or more Board members in any future discussions with GDOT or the contractor. Mr. Fender agreed.

Secretary's Report: Given Secretary John Barton's absence, President Fred Glass distributed for approval the proposed minutes from the Association's Board Meeting held on November 15, 2016. Treasurer Charles Hoke made a motion to approve the minutes, which was seconded by Vice President Anna Sonoda and unanimously approved by the Board.

Treasurer's Report: Mr. Hoke distributed the Association's financial report as of December 31, 2016, which reflected a cash balance of \$37,400 including the beautification and reserve funds (totaling \$2,800 and \$10,000, respectively) and \$24,600 without such funds. Security remains the Association's primary function and accounts for 80% of our expenses as of this reporting period. Mr. Hoke reported that the paid 2017 membership was already at 240. Mr. Perry made a

motion to approve the Treasurer's report, which was seconded by Ms. Sonoda and unanimously approved by the Board.

Security Committee: Security Committee Chair Eddie Padgett reported that once he has the names of the 2017 paid members, new stickers will be placed on their mailboxes. Board members were asked to pick up any Association signs still out on their streets and to store them for future use.

Beautification Committee: Beautification Committee Chair Tom Frolik reported again that the ginkgo tree currently located at Northside Parkway and Moores Mill would be \$1,300 to relocate to the Northside Public Library as a result of the GDOT road construction on Northside Parkway. A new tree would cost less. Ms. Stebbins suggested contacting Pace Academy, who may have the personnel required and a place to move it. Mr. Frolik continued that volunteers are needed now to trim the roses planted by the Association. Mr. Hudson suggested mentioning this need in the upcoming communication about the Annual Meeting, with Mr. Frolik as the contact.

Social Committee: Mr. Hudson reported that the next Evening Social will be on Thursday, March 30, 2017, with a speaker from the Atlanta Botanical Gardens. Mr. Hudson asked Board members for suggestions for additional speakers starting in the fall, and several were offered.

Membership Committee: Membership Committee Chair Steve Dickson reported that 240 members have paid their 2017 dues, and his emphasis now will be on contacting those who were members in 2016 but have not yet renewed.

Welcoming Committee: Membership Committee Chair Leslie Stebbins reported that Welcome Packages have been distributed to every new resident of which she is aware. She asked that Board members contact her with new move-ins.

Nominating Committee: Ms. Sonoda said the Board nominating process was well underway, with potentially nine new candidates.

New Business: There was a discussion about splitting the Board, or having an Advisory Group, so that those members who do not regularly attend but could have important input to the Association can be accommodated, while the 20 Board members will then be expected to attend regularly and to share fully in the work of the Board. President Glass said that he would draft the communication about the upcoming Annual Meeting, and several members volunteered to help edit it.

There being no additional business to come before this group, the Meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

F. Parker Hudson, Acting Secretary