

**WEST PACES/NORTHSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC.**  
**\*APPROVED MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF**  
**DIRECTORS ON Tuesday, March 21, 2017, 7 PM**  
**Pace Academy, 966 West Paces Ferry Road, Atlanta, GA 30327**

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\*Minutes were officially approved at the board meeting held on 04.18.17

President Anna Sonoda called the Meeting to order at 7 PM in the Fuqua Presentation Room at Pace Academy. Ms. Sonoda recognized Fred Glass for his 3 years of service as President of the Neighborhood Association. An engraved clock was given to him as a gift on behalf of the board. Mr. Glass thanked the board for their thoughtfulness.

**Present at the Meeting:** The Meeting's attendance list reflects 16 of the 22 Board members. The following Board members did not attend the Meeting: Fred Assaf, Rick Orr, Eddie Padgett, Cary Green, Tom Tidwell, and Chandler Haydon

**Secretary's Report:** Secretary Fred Glass distributed a Board Roster to all present board members to review for accuracy. The outgoing secretary, John Barton, mentioned that the 2017 Annual Meeting minutes will be approved at the 2018 Annual Meeting

**Treasurer's Report:** Mr. Hoke distributed the Association's financial report as of September 30, 2016, which reflected a cash balance of \$56,198.53 including the beautification and reserve funds (totaling \$2,763.06 and \$10,000, respectively) and \$43,535.47 without such funds. Security remains the Association's primary function and accounts for 95% of our expenses through the end of February 2017. Mr. Hoke reported an unusually high number of Association members – 268 – had paid as of March 20, 2017. The motion was made to approve the Treasurer's report, which was seconded and unanimously approved by the Board. Mr. Hoke noted that there was an increase of the Association's members who paid their annual membership dues online for 2107 as compared to 2016.

**Security Committee:** Mr. Padgett was unable to attend the meeting, so Ms. Sonoda on behalf of Mr. Padgett mentioned that there were no pressing security issues to report. The meeting then proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

**Social Committee:** Social Committee chair, Parker Hudson, mentioned that the next Social/Spoken event is scheduled to be held next week on March 30<sup>th</sup>. The guest speaker is Tracy McClendon from the Atlanta Botanical Gardens. Mr. Hudson will send out another email in order to get a more accurate accept/regret total. Sherlock gives the association a 10% discount on wine. Pace provides the glasses. Mr. Hudson mentioned that he is in the process of getting some dates for the Fall of 2017 for potential Spoken events. He asked that anyone feel free to send him ideas about potential speakers for the Fall. He asked the board about how the Association could

participate in any future social events. Ideas were discussed including cul-de-sac parties, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Halloween, or Easter Egg Hunt in the spring.

**Beautification Committee:** Beautification Committee Chair, Tom Frolik, reported that the Gingko tree ( Gordon Gingko “ Green is Good”) formerly at the Northside Parkway/ Moores Mill intersection had been successfully transplanted to the Pace Academy campus. This was done at no expense to WPNA. The tree was in danger of being destroyed due to the intersection renovation currently in process. Mr. Frolik also reported that another Gingko tree will be planted at the library on Northside Parkway this Friday. The total out of pocket cost to the neighborhood will be \$860 for this tree. Mr. Frolik also discussed the idea of having the 2 lots at the end of Pine Meadow ( at N’side PKWY) turned into a “pocket park”. He mentioned that the city had converted similar residential lots into park space in other areas of the city.

**Membership Committee:** Membership Committee Chair, Steve Dickson, reported that we have 32 memberships to go in order to hit the 2017 goal of 300 members. He also mentioned that 34 families were paid members in 2016, but had not yet joined in 2017. Mr. Dickson said that he would put together a flier to put in the mailboxes of these non-members. Harold Goings handed out a current membership list, and indicated that the “pending renewals” indicated those who were paid in 2016 but not 2017. Rip Black asked about possibly allowing residents outside of the neighborhood boundaries ( Borghese in particular) to be allowed to join the Association. Henry Feinstein indicated that this could be done with a change in the By-Laws, but that there would be complicating issues like providing security, etc. Harold Goings and Anna Sonoda raised the issue of neighborhood newsletters going forward. The consensus was that we should provide 2 printed newsletters ( not digital) per year, possibly one in Spring and one in the Fall. Anna Sonoda asked for volunteers to take over posting notices on NextDoor, and that it should probably be a member of the Membership committee. It was the consensus that there was no need to continue to maintain the private membership group on NextDoor.

**Transportation Committee:** Transportation Committee Chair Henry Feinstein reported that there was another delay in the Moores Mill/ Northside Parkway intersection. Charles Hoke indicated that the guardrails had been removed, and that he didn’t feel any less safe when running on the sidewalk adjacent to the removed guardrails. Parker Hudson mentioned that Mary Norwood needed to be contacted for current status on the guardrail issue. Anna Sonoda reported that Phillip Fender has until April 15<sup>th</sup> to get his property cleaned up (at the intersection) or he will get hit with another fine.

**New Business:** Rip Black reported that there was filming taking place on Pinestream at the “Pink Palace”. He indicated that neighbors or perhaps the neighborhood could raise some revenues from the filming industry currently filming in the neighborhood. Parker Hudson suggested that we should maybe contact Lee Thomas, Deputy Commissioner of the Georgia Film, Music, and Digital Entertainment Office, for advise on this issue.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Fred M. Glass, Jr.  
Secretary