

WEST PACES/NORTHSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC.
***APPROVED MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF**
DIRECTORS ON Tuesday, January 16, 2018, 7 PM
Pace Academy, 966 West Paces Ferry Road, Atlanta, GA 30327

*Minutes were officially approved at the board meeting held on 03.20.18

President, Anna Sonoda called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 PM in the Fuqua Presentation Room at Pace Academy. Anna introduced Mike Elting and Teresa Shell as future potential board members.

Present at the Meeting: The Meeting's attendance list reflects 15 of the 20 Board Members. The following Board Members did not attend the Meeting: Chandler Haydon, Leslie Stebbins, Cary Green, Henry Feinstein, and Maxine Feinstein. Teresa Shell and Mike Elting were also in attendance.

Secretary's Report: Secretary Fred Glass asked if anyone had any questions about the proposed minutes from the November 27th board meeting. There being no questions nor comments, the minutes were approved promptly after the motion was made for approval and then seconded by Henry Feinstein. Fred Glass mentioned that he was trying to schedule the 2018 board meetings for the remainder of the year, and asked if Tuesday evenings at 7PM were still preferred by everyone for these meetings. Everyone seemed to agree that Tuesday at 7PM was the best time to schedule the board meetings. Henry Feinstein requested that the First and last Tuesdays of the month be avoided due to conflicts with NPU-A meetings.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Charles Hoke distributed the Association's financial report as of December 31st 2017, which reflected a cash balance of \$41,824.15 including the beautification and reserve funds (totaling \$1,331.81 and \$10,000 respectively) and \$30,492.34 without such funds. Security remains the Association's primary function and accounts for its largest monthly expense (\$ 6,075.00 in the month of December). Membership for 2018 is 243 as of 01/16/18. Membership was at 240 at the same time last year., indicating that the Association is on track with last year's membership levels. A motion was made to approve the Treasurers Report by Anna Sonoda and promptly seconded by Eddie Padgett.

Security Report: Eddie Padgett reported that David Mulkey mentioned that cars were being broken into and landscape company equipment was being stolen in nearby neighborhoods. He also mentioned that he had ordered new 2018 stickers that would be affixed to mailboxes soon. Lessie Love recounted her (and husband's) encounter with a thief attempting to steal items out of her husband's car on Asheworth Court. The individual fired a gun while being pursued by her husband. Police were called via 911, but didn't seem to care much about catching the guy. The incident happened at 1:30pm in the afternoon after having purchased a TV from

Target. The car he was driving was a maroon Acura or Accord. Anna suggested that car descriptions of suspicious vehicles be somehow added and retained on NextDoor. Rip Black made a comment that he thought that was already being done. John Barton suggested that Lessie contact Atlanta City Council if she wants the APD to take this issue and incident seriously. Anna said that she thought that we should have a strong security presence (for speakers) at the annual meeting in February. Parker Hudson made a comment that there have been bear sightings in the neighborhood, and asked how neighbors were to respond from a security standpoint.

Social Committee Report: Parker Hudson reported that James Ottley and John Beach from the Buckhead Heritage Society were scheduled to speak at our next Speaker Series event on February 15th 2018. The title of their talk is “5 Stories that You didn’t know about Buckhead”. Anna Sonoda asked that all board members make an effort to attend these speaker events due to the amount of effort that goes into putting on these events.

Beautification Report: Tom Frolik reported that the Cypress trees at the end of Pine Meadow had been removed as scheduled, and that phase 2 would start shortly which involved planting of new Holley bushes in place of the Cypress trees. Tom also reported that the sidewalk on Northside Parkway had been cleared of leaves and debris, which many neighbors have seemed to appreciate. Tom then asked for volunteers to help with trimming, fertilizing, and weeding the rose bushes located throughout the neighborhood. Lessie Love and a few others volunteered to help with this. Tom said that as soon as he knows the budget for 2018, he would identify possible projects. He mentioned that the budget would be estimated based on overall revenues and savings obtained from not producing and mailing newsletters. The beautification budget was previously funded by advertising from the newsletters.

Membership Report: Steve Dickson and Harold Goings reported that we currently have 243 paid members for 2018. Harold pointed out that there are 79 residents who have paid either in 2016 or 2017 but have not yet paid this year. This group represents the greatest opportunity for increasing membership. In February or March, board members will be asked to distribute by street a list of who has paid (and who has not). Anna Sonoda requested that Harold and Steve combine information on membership for the annual meeting so that we have a breakdown by street so that it’s clear for board member responsibility per street.

Transportation Report: Henry Feinstein and Parker Hudson reported that there were no updates on the Moores Mill/ Northside Parkway intersection. Parker sent an email on 1/15/18, and asked for an update, but has not yet received a response.

Nomination Committee & Annual Meeting: We have 5 new potential board members for 2018. The positions of Secretary and Treasurer remain open as Fred Glass and Charles Hoke do not wish to remain in those roles in 2018. Anna Sonoda

reported that she has requested that someone from Mayor Bottoms office to speak at the Annual Meeting. Anna has confirmed that J.P. Matzigkeit will be speaking at the Annual Meeting. Anna requested that the board approve the request to increase the number of board members as permitted in the Bylaws from 20 to 25. It was unanimously approved and agreed that we should present that for a vote at the Annual Meeting for the membership.

New Business: Lessie Love reported that \$3.500 was raised from the CHOA Mailbox Brigade. We were capped at 50 mailboxes in 2017, and actually had 7 or 8 requests that were unable to be fulfilled due to the cap. She said that she would request an increase for 2018. Chastain Park Neighborhood Assn. does around 700-1000 per year. It was mentioned that Leslie Stebbins' son Grant was in ICU at Scottish Rite and is now out according to Fred Assaf. The plan for the annual meeting is to have the Zone 2 Captain, David Mulkey, J.P. Matzigkeit, and hopefully someone from Bottoms' office. Emily Richardson asked if having Gubernatorial candidates speak, and that option was discussed. The meeting adjourned at 7:46PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred M. Glass, Jr.
Secretary