

**WEST PACES/NORTHSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC.**  
**PROPOSED MINUTES OF THE WPNA BOARD MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2023**  
**Meeting Held via Zoom**

**President's Welcome:** President Mr. Jim Hannon opened the meeting at 7:03PM. Tonight's meeting was held virtually through Zoom due to an inability to locate a suitable meeting space. Board attendees were as follows:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Present</i>
Jim Hannon	X
Rip Black	
Alva McGovern	X
Garrett Fulton	X
Sara Asher	X
Sam Beydoun	
Rich Cockrell	X
Cia Cummings	X
Alcina Dalton	X
Steve Dickson	X
Mike Elting	
Henry Feinstein	X
Tom Flournoy	X
Stefan Hayes	
Paul Huesken	
Bobby Lichtenstein	
Cartha O'Hare	X
Sherry Perchik	X
Emily Richardson	X
Teresa Shell	X
Meredith Shaughnessy	X

As Ms. Sarah Asher was not present at the March WPNA Meeting due to an error in properly recording new members, Mr. Hannon asked her to introduce

herself to the Board. Ms. Asher and her husband Lee moved to their home on North Wood Valley in 2013. She previously owned an insurance company. They have 2 children, one who lives in Denver and the other is studying at the University of Wisconsin.

Mr. Hannon announced that Cia Cummings has volunteered to serve on the Membership Committee and Ms. Cartha O'Hare has offered to represent the WPNA to the Buckhead Council of Neighborhoods (BCN).

Mr. Hannon announced that Mr. Garrett Fulton is a proud new father of a daughter.

### **Secretary's Report:**

Secretary Ms. Alva McGovern previously emailed the Minutes of the March 21 meeting. There was a motion to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded and approved.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Treasurer Mr. Garrett Fulton gave the report. Revenue for the month of March was \$2,397.50 from new membership. Expenses was \$589.51 for credit card processing fees. It was noted the fees seem high for \$2,397.50. Garrett will look further into the matter. Year to date we have 273 members paid and last year at this time, we had 267 paid members with a total of 278 paid by the end of the year. Pace Academy's \$25,000 from last year is still outstanding. A motion was made to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded and approved.

### **Security Committee:**

Security Chairperson Ms. Alcina Dalton had nothing new to report.

### **Zoning & Traffic Committee:**

Zoning Chairperson Mr. Rip Black was not present. Mr. Hannon reported there was nothing new to report.

### **Beautification Committee**

A volunteer to chair this committee is needed.

**Buckhead Council of Neighborhoods (BCN):**

Ms. Cartha O'Hare has agreed to represent the WPNA at the BCN. She and Mr. James Hannon will attend the upcoming meeting this week.

**Communications Committee:**

Chairperson, Ms. Teresa Shell gave the report. She reported to the BCN that WPNA voted against the proposed Buckhead Safety Alliance Resolution due to unanswered questions regarding the financing of the proposal and a concern it would drain the pool of available APD officers for security. WPNA was one of the few neighborhoods to vote against the resolution. The Board vote was 11 against and 7 for. Ms. Shell reported the BCN membership believes churches and businesses will support the resolution. During the ensuing discussion, it was noted that there seems to be a lack of communication between retailers when emergencies occur and that a coalition of merchants might facilitate better communication regarding security issues.

The tally of the vote of all of the Buckhead neighborhoods has not yet been completed.

**Membership Committee:**

Membership Chairperson, Ms. Meredith Shaughnessy gave the report. She reported that after emailing a reminder to the neighborhood, 6 new members joined.

**Neighborhood Relations Committee (NRC):**

Chairperson, Mr. Jim Hannon reported that a few board members had raised concerns regarding the composition of the NRC. Current members include Joe Hamilton, Caldwell Zimmerman and himself as WPNA Board Chair. All 3 members will need to rotate off the NRC as their 3-year term will expire and they cannot repeat a term.

Responsibilities include attending WPNA Board meetings to report communications with Pace Academy. One NRC member must live adjacent to Pace. Terms are to be staggered although Mr. Zimmerman's term has already expired, and Mr. Hamilton's term will expire at the end of this year. The WPNA President attends the NRC meetings as a guest and is not considered to be 1 of the 3-term memberships. Therefore, 2 new members could be elected now. Current concerns of the NRC include the breach of the enrollment cap as defined in the Pace/neighborhood agreement, the excessive number of cars driving and parking in the neighborhood, and the use of buildings on the Pace property, specifically the President's home on West Paces Ferry Rd.

The current Pace/neighborhood agreement expires in 2028. The Board may seek input from the neighborhood regarding a breach of the agreement, but the Board will make the ultimate decision.

Mr. Rick Cockrell volunteered to join the NRC. Ms. Emily Richardson who lives adjacent to Pace was nominated for the position as well. Both Candidates were officially nominated, and the motions were seconded. The vote was unanimously approved.

**New Business:**

There being no further business the meeting was concluded at 8:30PM.  
The next Board meeting will be held on May 9, at St. Luke's.

Alva McGovern,  
WPNA Secretary