

UNIVERSITY HILLS ASSOCIATION OF HOMEOWNERS
MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
October 6, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 11:30 A.M. by the president, Charles Schmidt.

Board members present: Jim Wells, Kathrine Pennington, Nell Anne Hunt, Rick Lindsey, Tom Hopwood, Pat Naylor, and John DeMarco.

Board Members absent: Arnold Martin, Anna Walther, Gail Wells, Eva Klassen, and Steve Schreur.

Charles Schmidt announced that UHAOH will receive a Neighborhood Grant for year 2016 from the City of Irving in the amount \$1,750.

John DeMarco presented the minutes of the September meeting. These minutes had been dispatched earlier by email. John made a motion to approve the minutes. Kathrine Pennington seconded and the motion passed.

Jim Wells presented the Treasurer's Report for the period ending September 30, 2015. This report had been dispatched to board members earlier by email. Total Assets are \$ 27,090 and the YTD Net Income is \$ 94.

Jim noted that the expenses for the up-coming events are not included in the Net Income figure hence UHAOH will run a deficit for year 2015. Charles Schmidt added that the zero-base budgeting process, which was agreed upon at the last meeting, will serve to avoid recurrence.

John DeMarco made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Kathrine Pennington seconded and the motion carried.

Rick Lindsey addressed the Work Plan distributed earlier for tonight's National Night Out event. Rick advised that all aspects are good to go. Also, Rick expected net cash expenditures will come in at, or less than, budget. This is due in large part to the many generous donations, both monetary and in-kind, which were received from residents.

Pat Naylor referred to the proposal presented at the September meeting to amend the UHAOH Bylaws to accommodate membership by residents of Alto Vista. Pat asked for any comments or corrections. There were none. Accordingly, Jim Wells made a motion to go forward with this revision. Kathrine Pennington seconded and the motion passed. (These amendments will be presented to UHAOH members for their approval at the Annual Meeting to be held on November 10, 2015.)

Charles Schmidt remarked upon the outstanding work done by Claudia Bracero to further the amalgamation of Alto Vista with UHAOH and suggested Claudia be appointed to fulfill the UHAOH directorship left vacant by the resignation of Jennifer Austin. Rick Lindsey made a motion to so appoint Claudia conditional upon formal approval of the amendments to the UHAOH Bylaws relating to Alto Vista residents. Tom Hopwood seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Tom Hopwood announced that 4004 Acapulco Street (Steven & Belinda Tips) was awarded Yard of the Month for October.

Nell Anne Hunt distributed Realtors Reports for University Hills and Alto Vista. Currently there are 5 and 2 homes, respectively, listed for sale in UH and AV. The median sales prices for sales over the last 6 months for University Hills and Alto Vista, are 102 \$/sq. ft. and 150 \$/sq. ft., respectively.

Nell Anne Hunt distributed copies of a Wish List for Class Room Teachers at Farine Elementary School. This is a helpful guide to those who might wish to make a donation.

Kathrine Pennington reported on the slow receipt of Proxies due for the Special Meeting to be held by the Las Colinas Association on November 3, 2015. All LCA members are urged to vote on the proposed amendments to the Supplementary Declarations.

Jim Wells mentioned that he and Cathy Wallace recently met with Dr. Brian Stump, Seismologist at SMU. Dr. Stump is one of the authors of the study of seismic activity in Azle. This study concluded that the injection of waste water from “fracking” was the cause. Dr. Stump believes waste water injection also is the cause of the spate of tremors experienced in Irving over the past year..

Jim Wells reported on recent developments in the proposed change to the Garbage Containers and Collections for the City of Irving. (For full details refer to the email dated September 28th sent by Jim Wells to all UH residents.) It is likely the proposal will be presented to the Irving City Council at one of their meetings in November. Charles Schmidt and Jim Wells have scheduled a meeting with Rick Bidne, president & CEO of LCA, to discuss enlisting the support of the other HOA’s in Las Colinas in expressing an objection to the proposed containers.

Jim Wells advised that Wolfgang Walther has agreed to deploy his considerable talents to the task of updating the University Hills website. The new website’s inauguration will be soon. In addition, Wolfgang will maintain the UH website henceforth.

Jim Wells noted the impending need for someone to coordinate advertising sales for the 2016 Residential Directory. Discussion ensued and the names of several residents were mentioned as well as the possibility of out-sourcing this task to a paid professional. Jim will broadcast a plea by email to residents to invite interested parties to volunteer for this position.

On behalf of Steve Scheur, Jim Wells distributed a detailed proposal for this year’s Deck the Hills event. The lighting ceremony will be held on Tuesday, December 1. The proposed budget is \$3,200 which includes live animals as was done last year. Rick Lindsey made a motion to approve this proposal. John DeMarco seconded and the motion passed.

Kathrine Pennington and Jim Wells outlined the arrangements for the Annual General Meeting which will be held at the LCCC on November 10, 2015. The cost of the dinner is \$15 per person. Kathrine proposed an annotation be made on the invitations stating that a donation of \$15 per person will be appreciated. Tom Hopwood seconded and the motion carried.

Charles Schmidt reminded everyone that any proposed expense items for 2016 must be identified at the next meeting. Zero-based budgeting will be applied to all proposals for expenditures, bar none.

It being 1:04 PM with no further business to conduct, John DeMarco made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rick Lindsey seconded and the motion passed.

The next meeting of the UHAOH Board of Directors will be held on November 3, 2015; same time and same place.

Respectfully submitted,
John DeMarco, Recording Secretary

10/26/2015