

UNIVERSITY HILLS ASSOCIATION OF HOMEOWNERS
MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
March 7, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 11:32 A.M. by the president, Tom Hopwood.

Other board members present: Charles Schmidt, Anna Walther, Nell Anne Hunt, Jim Wells, Rick Lindsey, Terri Roan, Claudia Bracero, Sherri LeVan, Eva Klassen, Kavin Schieferdecker, Suzannah Cronenwett, and John DeMarco.

John DeMarco presented the minutes of the February board of directors meeting. Charles Schmidt made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Terri Roan seconded and the motion carried.

Jim Wells presented the Treasurer's Report for the YTD period ending February 28, 2017. Total Assets are \$ 31,619 and Net Income is \$ 3,059. In response to a query, Jim advised that the Flags over Irving program with the Rotary/Boy Scouts will be renewed for another year. Charles Schmidt made a motion to approve the report as presented. Rick Lindsey seconded and the motion carried.

Kavin Schieferdecker reported on the Directory timetable and on Directory Ad Sales. A draft letter to business neighbors was distributed to board members. Tom Hopwood encouraged everyone to lend a hand to Kavin and his committee in soliciting directory ad placements from nearby businesses and service providers. Jim Wells mentioned that a tabulation of directory advertisers and the specific contact party from UHAOH was available from last year's ad sales campaign. Noting that only four weeks remain until the deadline, Tom Hopwood urged prompt action by everyone in canvassing potential advertisers. Kavin will begin distributing a weekly report on ad sales.

Anna Walther reported that progress is being made toward securing Block Captains to fill the voids in our Neighborhood Network. Terri Roan and Lesley Meyer are assisting with this recruitment program.

In reviewing the various modes of communication available to UHAOH, Eva Klassen remarked on possibility of a regular UHAOH newsletter to be sent by email to all residents. Besides timely information of importance to all residents, the newsletter could carry links to the advertisers in our Directory. This would be a selling point in future ad sales campaigns.

Eva Klassen related details of several recent incidences of thefts from mail boxes in University Hills. These thefts were reported in Next Door. Concern among residents is growing because the situation does not seem to be abating. Anna Walther offered to contact the Irving Postmaster to seek the assistance of USPS in this matter. It was noted that theft of mail is a federal offense.

Nell Anne Hunt advised that preparations for the Star Gazing Event (April 1) are well underway. Kathrine Pennington has graciously deployed her talents in providing artwork for publicizing the event. Claudia Bracero and other members of the Volunteer Opportunities Committee will be seeking donations of cookies and offers of other assistance from residents for this event.

Nell Anne Hunt distributed a Realtor's Report dated March 1, 2017. Currently there are 2 homes listed for sale in UH. And only one listed for sale in Alto Vista.

Rick Lindsey reviewed the arrangements for this year's Spring Fling event (Saturday, May 13).

Tom Hopwood presented an outline of the budgeted and prospective events and programs for 2017 along with an estimate of UHAOH revenues. The consensus was that any decisions entailing new major financial commitments ought to be postponed because the revenues from Directory Ad Sales and from Membership Dues Collections are somewhat problematical at this moment.

Tom Hopwood provided Charles Schmidt with a signed copy of the Second and Restated Bylaws of UHAOH dated February 7, 2017. These bylaws are fully compliant with the IRS requirements. Charles remarked that he's awaiting a second legal opinion before submitting the application form to the IRS in our quest to obtain tax exempt status; 501(c) 3 or 501(c) 4, for UHAOH.

Tom Hopwood outlined the procedures that LCA and IPD have agreed to follow respecting the on-street parking during the LPGA Texas Shoot Out that will be held at the Las Colinas Country Club (April 24-30, 2017).

Jim Wells passed around an invitation to the 21st Annual Irving Police Awards Banquet which was sent to UHAOH. The donation amount is \$1000 for a table of ten. Rick Lindsey emphasized the need for UHAOH to foster good relations with the Irving Police Department, especially as UH is not a gated community. There's also the issue of the speedsters on Rochelle Blvd. and Northgate Drive where IPD can be of assistance to us. Jim Wells made a motion to donate \$1,000 to the IPD Annual Awards Banquet which benefits the Irving Family Advocacy Center. Rick Lindsey seconded the motion. However, the motion did not carry.

For some time now residents have expressed dissatisfaction with LCA's Architectural Control Committee's procedures for approving home improvements. Tom Hopwood has met with LCA several times on this. Tom reported that, in a recent meeting with LCA Staff, he's learned that LCA have retained a Process Improvement Consultant to address this matter.

Tom Hopwood announced that # 3105 Coronado (Rosemary Robbins) was awarded Yard of the Month for March.

It being 1:27 PM, and with no further business to conduct, John DeMarco made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rick Lindsey seconded and the motion was carried.

The next meeting of the UHAOH Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, April 4, 2017; same time and same place.

Respectfully submitted,

John DeMarco,
Recording Secretary
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