

UNIVERSITY HILLS ASSOCIATION OF HOMEOWNERS  
MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
April 3, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 11:30 AM by the President, Tom Hopwood.

Other board members present: Charles Schmidt, Suzannah Cronenwett, Rick Lindsey, Nell Anne Hunt, Kavin Schieferdecker, and John DeMarco.

Others in attendance: Michael Basoco, Chairman of the New Resident Welcoming Committee.

John DeMarco presented the minutes of the March board of directors meeting. Charles Schmidt made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Kavin Schieferdecker seconded and the motion was carried.

In the absence of Jim Wells, Tom Hopwood presented the Treasurer's Report as prepared by Jim for March 31, 2018. Total Assets are \$ 43,047. Net Income for the period since November 1, 2017, is \$ 11,062. John DeMarco made a motion to approve the report as presented. Charles Schmidt seconded and the motion was carried.

Tom Hopwood distributed an updated statistical analysis of Membership Dues receipts for 2018. Those who contributed made up fifty percent of the residents. Also noted was the spike in dues receipts after the postal card reminder was sent out in early March. Discussion ensued about additional measures to increase the number of dues-paying residents including deployment of the Block Captains in a more targeted approach to members who have not yet paid their dues.

Charles Schmidt reported that he's almost finalized the all-event Liability Policy with the insurance agent. Prior to doing so, Charles asked for a decision: Keep the insurance coverage to five single-day events (SG, SF, NNO, AGM, and DTH), or to expand the DTH coverage to encompass the full period during which the lights are displayed. Consensus was that the latter would be OK, if this could be achieved at a nominal increase to the premium. (The all-event, single-day premium quoted is about \$600 per annum.)

Michael Basoco, publisher of Our Neighborhood Magazine, reviewed aspects of the May issue related to the University Hills AOH. The Spring Fling event will be prominently featured inasmuch as the May issue will be distributed to residents toward end April. Michael also described some features of the June issue and shared some of the topics being considered for later issues, e.g. the History of Las Colinas and a Community Garage Sale. Michael continues relentlessly in pursuit of ideas and suggestions to ensure high interest in each issue.

Nell Anne Hunt reported on preparations for the Star Gazing event. It will be held at the University of Dallas on Saturday, April 21, 2018. Dr. Richard Olenick has organized a stellar program with activities for everyone. Nell Anne will be mailing postal card notices later today to all residents. Also, Nell Anne seeks assistance with the set-up/take-down of the Reception area and with the placement of signs.

In the mailing to residents for Star Gazing, Nell Anne Hunt noticed some discrepancies in the address labels. Tom Hopwood will investigate this situation with Jim Wells, Director of the UH Data Base.

Nell Anne Hunt related her observations made while attending the recent Annual General Meeting of the Las Colinas Association. After 8 years of service on the Board of Directors with the last four years as Chairman, Mr. Al Zapanta will be leaving. He has filed as a candidate for election to Irving City Council (Place 6).

Respecting Spring Fling, which will be held on Saturday, May 12, 2018, Rick Lindsey led board members through a check-list of specific activities and the personnel assignments to ensure all aspects of the event will proceed smoothly. Several new ideas were brought forth in this review. Rick will redo the Program of Activities to incorporate these new proposals and to update the changes in the assignment of duties and responsibilities. The new program will be distributed to all concerned.

Rick Lindsey also will be extending invitations to the members of the Irving City Council and to the Mayor. Because of the abundant publicity Spring Fling will receive in Our Neighborhood Magazine, a suggestion was made to place a large glass bowl at the Reception Table to facilitate the receipt of donations from the residents of the other villages who happen to attend. In addition, Tom Hopwood will liaise with Jim Wells about securing the capability to receive membership dues from UH residents at the Reception Table.

Tom Hopwood referenced the email sent on March 14<sup>th</sup> which outlined the offer received from La Cima Club to sponsor an adult social mixer for UHAOH members. All were favorably inclined. Nell Anne Hunt made a motion to fix the date of Tuesday, June 19, 2018, with the La Cima Club. Suzannah Cronenwett seconded and the motion was carried.

Tom Hopwood noted that a volunteer from UHAOH is needed to coordinate the arrangements with La Cima Club and with the residents of University Hills.

Michael Basoco advised that later today (April 3) an "Open House" will be held at Persona Pizza which event is sponsored by Our Neighborhood Magazine. Everyone is invited. In July, the magazine will sponsor another "Open House". This will be held at Erickson Dental, 118 E. John Carpenter Freeway Suite # 170.

Tom Hopwood made reference to the bowling tournament that LCA is sponsoring for the benefit of Irving Cares and asked for comment. Consensus was that this activity is better done as an individual effort.

Respecting the traffic situation on Rochelle Boulevard, Tom Hopwood referred to the email sent around by Jim Wells on March 22, 2018. This reported Jim's detailed observations of the traffic along with his recommendations. All were in agreement with Jim's recommendation to take no further action now.

Nell Anne distributed a Real Estate Report dated March 29, 2018. Currently there are 5 homes listed for sale in the University Hills area with two of these located in Alto Vista.

Nell Anne Hunt also distributed an Accountability Summary compiled by the TEA for Farine Elementary School. Farine met standards and earned two Distinction Designations.

Tom Hopwood announced 300 La Paz (Todd and Victoria Wilson) is awarded Yard of the Month for April. This property is a first time winner of the YOTM award.

Tom Hopwood advised that 3813 Wingren has a new owner. Under the previous owner, this property received negative attention from the City and from LCA because of traffic and noise, possibly arising from the practice of short-term rentals.

Tom Hopwood reported that Don McGee confirmed the responsibility for upkeep of the commemorative bricks currently situated at Wingren Park is not incumbent upon UHAOH.

With the time being 1:08 P.M. and with no further business to discuss, John DeMarco made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Suzannah Cronenwett seconded it and the motion was carried.

The next meeting of the UHAOH Board of Directors will be held on May 1, 2018; same time and same place.

Respectfully submitted,

John DeMarco  
Recording Secretary  
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