

UNIVERSITY HILLS ASSOCIATION OF HOMEOWNERS
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
October 1, 2019

The monthly meeting of the University Hills Association of Homeowners Board of Directors was called to order at 11:30 AM by the president Tom Hopwood on Tuesday, October 1, in the Barrel Room of the Las Colinas Country Club.

A quorum of 11 directors was present including; Anna Walther, Nell Anne Hunt, Ottis Lewis, Rick Lindsey, Kathrine Pennington, Sherri LeVan, Steve Hoisington, Charles Schmidt, Jim Wells, and John DeMarco.

Others Present: Lani Relucio, Chair of the Communications Committee, and Crystal Scanio, President & CEO of the Irving Schools Foundation.

UHAOH Scholarship Award

Reference the proposal made at last month's meeting to explore UHAOH funding a Scholarship, Rick Lindsey introduced Crystal Scanio, President & CEO of the Irving Schools Foundation (ISF) and resident of University Hills.

Crystal provided an overview of the ISF, its mission, and the many innovative programs and scholarships ISF supports to further the educational opportunities for students and teachers in the Irving ISD. Irving Schools Foundation is well established and has carried out its mission for more than 30 years. As an example, last year over \$500,000 in scholarships were awarded through ISF. Crystal explained how ISF is able to facilitate the creation of scholarships and endowments for business and civic organizations such as UHAOH. She also emphasized the ability of ISF to custom-fit the criteria for awards to satisfy the particular requirements of each donor and to allow for a wide range of involvement in the selection of awardees by the donor organization. Crystal responded to various queries including a question about non-Irving ISD students as potential candidates. (This can be done.)

Crystal concluded by thanking the board for the opportunity to speak about ISF. Then she left the meeting.

Discussion ensued. Anna Walther suggested that the establishment of a Scholarship Award be approved by the members of UHAOH, i.e. not solely a board decision. A show of hands indicated that further effort on the UHAOH Scholarship Award is warranted. Rick Lindsey will develop a proposal for circulation to the board members prior to the next meeting.

Minutes

Minutes of the September monthly Board of Directors meeting were distributed by John DeMarco via an email dated September 25, 2019. The minutes were accepted as presented.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report for September 30, 2019 was distributed by Jim Wells via an email dated September 30, 2019. Responses by the Treasurer to potential questions accompanied the report. There were no comments made and the Treasurer's Report was filed for the 2019 year-end financial review.

Membership Committee

In an email dated September 30, 2019, Steve Hoisington, Committee chair, distributed a report on the 2019 Membership Drive. Total paid memberships for 2019 and dues collected amounts were unchanged from the prior month's report.

Steve Hoisington distributed a proposed letter to residents for the 2020 Membership Drive via the same email. The letter is to be issued around the end of November. Steve welcomed any comments on the letter's contents.

Membership Dues

Apropos the membership dues for year 2020, Steve Hoisington made a motion to leave dues unchanged from the tiers that were applicable for 2019. Anna Walther seconded and the motion carried.

UHAOH Annual Budget for 2019/2020

The 2019/2020 UHAOH Expense Budget was approved the September meeting and Tom Hopwood distributed a copy of this document with the Notice of October Meeting email dated September 26, 2019. The same distribution included an Events Worksheet for the period now through end year 2020. Event/Activity locations, coordinators, dates, budgeted expense amounts, etc., etc. are displayed on the worksheet. Respecting events without a date already fixed; (i) Nell Anne Hunt will liaise with Dr. Olenick at UD about Star Gazing, and (ii) Saturday, May 9 (Mother's Day Weekend) will be the date for Spring Fling.

Events Overview/Action Items

Adult Social Mixer: Tuesday, September 10, from 6 - 8 PM at #200 La Paz Court. Sherri LeVan (event chair) distributed a summary report of the event via an email dated September 21, 2019. Sherri thanked everyone for their participation and remarked that she and her committee are considering a similar event for 2020.

National Night Out: Tuesday, October 1, from 6 - 8 PM at Flag Pole Hill. Rick Lindsey (event chair) confirmed that preparations are in good order for tonight's event.

Annual General Meeting of the Membership: Tuesday, November 12, 2019, from 6 - 9 PM at the LCCC. On behalf of Karen Martin (event chair), Anna Walther advised there were no new developments to report.

Deck the Hills (aka Celebration of Lights): Sunday, December 1, 2019, from 6 - 8 PM at Pea Patch Pond. Ottis Lewis is event chair. (Discussion about the new lighting display is reported later in the minutes.)

Our Neighborhood Magazine

Deliveries of the October issue to residents have already commenced. To accommodate Michael's schedule, the editorial committee meetings are now scheduled for Saturday.

Real Estate Report

Nell Anne Hunt presented a Real Estate Report dated September 28, 2019. There are 8 homes listed for sale in the University Hills area; one of these is located in Alto Vista. The average list price for homes currently on the market in UH equates to \$133/sq.ft.

Deck the Hills: New Lighting Display

Tom Hopwood advised that UHAOH's proposal for installation of new electrical connections at Pea Patch Pond was submitted to the LCA. Although favorably received, a timetable has not been fixed as yet. Ottis Lewis affirmed that the new Lighting Display approved at the last meeting will not be purchased until it is certain that LCA will have the electrical work completed in time for this year's event.

Property Appearance

Joyce Guedalia, chair of the Property Appearance Committee, advised by email that # 613 Sonora Court (Barbara and Vernon Schoemaker) was awarded Yard of the Month for October.

Hidalgo Alley and LCCC Wastewater Improvements

Tom Hopwood circulated a status report from the City Engineer who is directing the two projects. This report is an attachment to Tom's email dated October 1, 2019.

There being no further business to conduct, John DeMarco made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rick Lindsey seconded and the motion carried. The meeting was so adjourned by the president at 12:58 PM.

The next regular meeting of the UHAOH Board of Directors occurs on November 5, 2019; same time, same place.

John DeMarco

Secretary

10/01/2019

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