Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
North College Park Neighborhood Association
10:00 AM, Saturday, November 5, 2016
Russell's and Sandy's Home
1215 Windsong Trail
Richardson, Texas

## Board of Directors:

Present: Russell Bowen, Sandy Bowen, Pete Catalina, Doug Freeman, Caryl Knapp, John Slaughter, Phyllis Slaughter, and Mike Petree.

## Proceedings:

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER — Russell called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM. The meeting included the following agenda items:

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF THE October 1, 2016 BOARD MEETING — The Draft Minutes from the October 1st Board of Directors Meeting was offered for review. A motion made to approve the Minutes was seconded and passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT/PAY BILLS — Pete presented the The November 5<sup>th</sup> Treasurer's Report. The current balance was \$5,523.35. Expenses from last month included National Night Out Expenses of 354.72. This amount doesn't include the \$100 for the Berkner High School Jazz Band and the Berkner High School Drum Core Band which had already been paid. A Motion was made to approve the November 5th Treasurer's Report and it was seconded and passed unanimously. Also, using the new Expense Reimbursement Form, an approved expense of \$30 for gift certificates for Crime Watch Patrol was submitted and paid.

2016-2017 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE - Russell presented the active membership update. For the fiscal year so far there are 82 paid memberships. There are at least two more that have paid but have not been added to the data base. John wondered if we need to do more flyers as they were very successful. People especially liked the pictures. In conclusion though, it was agreed that we didn't need another round of flyers at this time.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS — Some new decorations need to be purchased to update our holiday decorations. John made a motion for a \$200 budget for Christmas decorations and it was seconded and passed unanimously. Also it was mentioned that the annual neighborhood

decorations would be put up following the next board meeting.

CRIME WATCH PATROL UPDATE— It was reported that Crime Watch Patrol numbers were similar to last month. To continue to encourage patrolling, there was interest in getting a local restaurant to offer free coffee for patrollers after completing a patrol. Also mentioned was calling inactive but certified patrollers to invite them on patrols.

REVISIT YARD PARTY - Russell delivered the latest Yard Party news. For a variety of reasons, November and December dates have been ruled out. John asked what are the minimal components for a yard Party. The answer is people, place, time and notification. John then suggested a flash party, which would be a party announced on short notice, perhaps on a weekend. There was some interest in the idea. But it was mentioned that going into the weekend people would already have plans and that it would be going against popular sport events. Russell said that it looked like the Yard Party would be a spring event and Sandy said that she would be carefully keeping up the events calendar to make sure that date conflicts were avoided.

PARK BENCH ON THE GLENVILLE TRAIL- North College Park is considering joining with the City of Richardson to add a park bench at the Southwest entrance to the neighborhood where the Bike Trail runs into Bowser. The City has agreed to put in the bench with the neighborhood indicating the particulars of the design and contributing some of the cost. John said that the city acted very quickly on the park bench suggestion. There are three styles of bench to choose from. The most durable doesn't have a back rest. One of the designs that does have a back rest, would cost the NCPNA \$175. The land is owned by a utility company but is on a city easement. One question was whether or not the Association name would appear on the bench. At this point, given the choice of going forward or exploring the options some more, exploring some more won out.

UPDATE MEETINGS/EVENTS CALENDAR AND SUPPLIES INVENTORY — Sandy passed around the latest Planning Calendar and Supplies Inventory List for comments and updates. It was mentioned that there is a total of 33 new neighborhood signs in the inventory. However, eleven have dates on them. There are also 26 poles. At this time we don't need to order anymore. Also John mentioned that the median signs need some repair work.

ODDS AND ENDS- Mention was made to consider moving the Board of Directors meeting to 11:00 AM with everything else the same. After some discussion about what effect if would have a final decision was

postponed. In the meantime the 10:00 AM time would remain.

It was also mentioned that there was an unjustified complaint on social media about the Yard of the Month award. The general agreement was to ignore the comments and continue the YOTM as usual.

MEETING ADJOURNED - At 10:54 AM a motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

The next meeting of the BOD is currently scheduled for Saturday, November 26, at 10:00 AM at Russell's and Sandy's house.

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