Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
North College Park Neighborhood Association
10:00 AM, Saturday, April 8, 2017
Russell's and Sandy's Home
1215 Windsong Trail
Richardson, Texas

## **Board of Directors:**

All present: Russell Bowen, Sandy Bowen, Pete Catalina, Doug Freeman, Janice Gromadin, Walt Gromadin, Caryl Knapp, Dick Rawlings, John Slaughter, Phyllis Slaughter, and Mike Petree.

## **Proceedings:**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER — Russell called the meeting to order at 10:06 AM. The meeting included the following agenda items:

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF THE March  $4^{\rm th}$ , 2017 BOARD MEETING — The Draft Minutes from the March  $4^{\rm th}$  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 April 8<sup>th</sup> Treasurer's Report. The April 8<sup>th</sup> balance was \$4,558.57. The twenty five cent increase is from the final close out of the previous bank account. A motion made to approve the Treasurer's Report was seconded and passed unanimously.

Submitted bills include \$27.36 for annual website domain name renewal, \$61.85 for our share of Spring Celebration expenses, \$21.65 for hardware to fix the median signs, and \$172.77 for color expenses for the Spring Message/Trash Bash/All Residents flyer.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT — Russell presented an update on the Membership Drive. One additional sign-up brings the April  $8^{th}$  total to 92 paid memberships.

SPRING CELEBRATION IN THE PARK — The Spring Celebration was a big success with the largest turnout ever. While there was no official accounting, there were estimates of 110 to 120 kids and 80 to 90 adults. The food and drinks ran out and the activities had plenty of participants. Moving the start time to 11:00AM and the nice weather helped bring in the crowd. Pictures taken at the event have been

posted on the website to showcase the April 1st event.

TRASH BASH — Sandy presented an update on the Trash Bash, scheduled for Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>. It starts at 9AM at the Glenville Pavilion. Sandy said that everything is ready to go. John said that his pick-up would be available for dropping off electronic items to recycle. \$50 has been approved for refreshments before the clean up and raffle tickets for a drawing at City Hall will be given to participants. After the clean up, all participants are invited to lunch at City Hall.

LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE APRIL 18<sup>th</sup>. The Neighborhood Leadership Workshops are offered by The City of Richardson to community groups on the third Tuesday in April and October. They are designed to present strategies for dealing with neighborhood issues. Russell, Sandy, John and Phyllis plan to represent North College Park at this upcoming citywide event.

ANNUAL ALL RESIDENTS MEETING — The Annual All Residents will be held at Jess Harben Elementary on Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. There will be catered sandwiches, beverages, and cookies. The social meeting starts at 6:00 PM but volunteers will need to be present by 5:30 to help with the setup. The official meeting will start at 7:00PM. There is also a food drive and participants are encouraged to contribute. The speaker has not been selected yet but various speakers were suggested. Doug volunteered to select one for the occasion. During the meeting there will also be a vote on the election of the 2017-2018 Board of Directors

It was agreed to have one speaker. John will bring has own projector for background slides and for whatever the speaker might need it for. Sandy volunteered to round up four gift certificates for the closing Raffle Event. There will be another board of directors meeting before the public meeting to iron out any last minutes details.

COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY- Dick led a discussion on coordinating the various media that are used to communicate with residents. Media such as the web site, newsletters, email notices, flyers, Facebook, and Next Door all have their appropriate uses. Missed opportunities occur when we don't use media that is otherwise popular in the neighborhood. We need to make sure that we're covering all of the relevant media. With that in mind, John said that he would look over our Facebook page.

UPDATE - TENTATIVE MEETING/EVENTS CALENDAR AND SUPPLIES INVENTORY — Sandy passed around the latest Planning Calendar and Supplies

Inventory List for updating and comments. Among other things it was decided that the garage sale and Board of Directors meeting could be scheduled for the same Saturday.

MEETING ADJOURNED — At 10:49 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, April 29th, at 10:00 AM at Russell's and Sandy's house.

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