



Dominican Black Canyon Neighborhood Association

Board Meeting

MINUTES

September 13, 2017

Nixon Residence

7:00 PM

Present: Board Members: Jack Nixon, Jeff Cardneau, Marty W., Bob Levine, Edie Dagley, Absent: Jay Hubert
Neighborhood guests: Polly Elkin, Sandy Miller, Joan Cardneau

President Jack Nixon called the meeting to order at 7:09 pm

1. Minutes from August meeting approved as read.
2. Treasurers report: Bonnie Marks
 - a. Bonnie distributed and went over the report. Membership dues are close to matching budget goals.
 - b. Income to date: \$4,988
 - c. Expenses to date: \$4229
 - d. Balance on hand September 1, 2017 (which includes reserve funds): \$6,032
3. Polly Elkin, of Dominican Advisory Committee, described the origins of her committee (to enable better communication between the University and the Neighborhood) and described different situations that have arisen and how they were solved. We discussed the logs at the end of Gold Hill Grade and the problem of partying students, noise, fire danger etc. related to this, and what the University can do to solve this issue. Polly said she would email Hanna at the University and set up a meeting with her, Jacques (facilities), Jack and the Cardneaus. She suggested calling Barbier Security each time an issue arises so there is a record. We discussed whether one of our Board members should and could attend the monthly DAC meetings. Seemed that Polly resisted this idea. Another idea is for us to have access to their meeting minutes. No resolution of this question yet.
4. Committee reports: (Marty W, Membership)
 - a. There has been a flurry of new members. She needs help updating the database (Bonnie will help) and sending letters welcoming new members.
5. Ice cream social (Jay Hubert was unable to attend the board meeting, but submitted the following):
 - a. "Pros: I thought the event was a great success. The location back in the trees was very inviting, the ice cream was excellent, and Jeff, Noemi and her friend managed the ice cream service efficiently. I greatly appreciate Jeff's assistance in picking up chairs, tables, and ice cream.

- Signage was appropriate and strategically placed.
- b. Cons: We almost ran out of ice cream, so we need more next year. The ice cream got too soft so we should add some dry ice. We rented more chairs and tables than we really needed, so I recommend reducing the number of chairs from 40 to 30 and tables from 5 to 4. The sign-in process really didn't work. In my opinion, it is because there really wasn't, nor can be a logical point of entry and control. I'm not sure this is a real problem. People had a good time, talked to each other, and introduced themselves."
 - c. Board discussed whether the students should be invited next year. Consensus that they added to the success of the event. Maybe we should move the event one week earlier. Do not need a sign- in system. Event was successful: fosters goodwill between neighbors and the University. No resolution of this issue whether to invite students or not. Main concern was keeping the right balance with a focus on neighborhood families.
6. Sandy Miller, October dinner in cafeteria: will tentatively be Nov 9. Sandy will find out if we can bring our own wine. Sandy will check if the cafeteria can stay open later. Bonnie will embed a RSVP link in the announcement for this. Joan to send out. We decided even if lightly attended, this is a valuable event for the neighborhood. (Note: date may change to Nov. 16 due to Dominican event Nov. 9)
 7. Communication: (Joan and Jeff Cardneau)
 - a. Joan needs content for the website. We will try to send her announcements etc. She will format the Fall newsletter. (see below)
 8. Safety/ Crime prevention:
 - a. Jack has contacted the police chief re the homeless situation near Belle. No definite plan of action yet. We will keep an eye on this site.
 9. New Business: Board supported Jack's proposal to pursue adding more members.
 10. Assignments made to Board for newsletter articles (to be sent to Joan & the Board for review by Sept 27 – final versions)
 - a. Jack: Lourdes update
 - b. Bonnie: Treasurer report
 - c. Edie: University news
 - d. Marty: Membership
 - e. Bonnie: Firewise project (based on Jay Hubert's notes)
 - f. Jack: Marin Shakespeare
 - g. Jeff: Fall dinner/Cafeteria info
 - h. Bob: Smart Train update
 - i. Target date: Oct 21 delivery of newsletter (to Jacquie Oct 6) (*See change re JGN's email of Sept. 21: ED*)

Meeting adjourned 9:25 pm

Next DBCNA Board Meeting: October 11th at 7pm. Location to be determined