



## Hillcrest Community Civic Association

"Working Together for a Better Community"

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The regular meeting of the HCCA was called to order by Karen at 10:15am. Chaplin Frank Anderson gave the inspirational message and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Minutes and the Treasurer's Report**

The Recording Secretary, Deborah Johnson read the minutes of the January 4, 2014 Membership Meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report for February 1, 2014 was given by Karen in the absence of Monica Evans, Treasurer. There was \$4,169.06 in the balance at Wells Fargo Bank. The Treasurer's Report was approved by the membership.

### **Membership Committee Reports/Welcomes of New Members and Guests**

Karen introduced Steve Percy and his wife who joined today as members.

DC Water and Sewer representatives introduced themselves and said they would respond to specific questions about water bills after the meeting.

Francis Gregory – Miles Steele gave an update on the activities of the library and the Friends of Francis Gregory. He also mentioned that the MLK, JR library would be redesigned and asked attendees to comment on the design. He will bring calendar of events to the next meeting. He asked memberships to join the Friends of Francis Gregory.

PS606 Report – Sgt Harvey gave a summary report. He invited all to attend the next PS606 meeting.

ANC – Robyn Marlin gave an update on the ANC 7B activities. WMATA is invited to attend the May ANC meeting. She updated the Membership on the current construction projects that affect our neighborhood. ANC will host Mayor Gray at the March meeting.

A representative for Councilmember Yvette Alexander gave a constituent services update.

Gary Butler, 7B03 ANC Commissioner announced a 5k run around Anacostia Park.

### **HCCA Board Meeting/President's Report**

Karen asked for work plans from all committees. These are needed to determine the financial needs of the committees for 2014.

## Dues

A quorum was established. A motion was issued to raise the HCCA membership dues from \$12 to \$15 for annual membership and from \$22 to \$24 for a 2-year membership effective as of March 14<sup>th</sup>. Two-years or more would pay \$12.00 per year. Motion was approved by the Membership.

## Ward 7 Dems

Ward 7 Dems are asking all civic associations to participate in a mayoral forum on March 1<sup>st</sup>. The Membership was asked for approval to cancel the March 1<sup>st</sup> meeting in lieu of this forum. The Membership approved this request.

## **Announcements**

### Ms. Rone - HCCA Anniversary

The Committee walked through the facility. Ticket cost is not set. The Committee will meet Feb 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at Francis Gregory. Jim Byers is confirmed as the speaker. Paul Savage will serve as Master of Ceremony.

### By Laws – Frank Anderson

Questions have been raised on how the HCCA sets policy including who speaks for the HCCA and contents of the Newsletter. An ad hoc committee has been formed to review the By Laws. Membership was asked to contact the President and members to comment on the current By Laws. The Committee hopes to have draft recommendations to the Membership by July.

## **HCCA COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### Environment Committee - Mary Ross

The annual poster contest for residents ages 5 to 17 was announced. All were encouraged to talk to their young people about this. The Committee is available to hold a workshop for those who are interested. Awards will be \$75.00 per category. There are 4 categories.

Mural on the Thai Orchid restaurant costs \$10,000. All but \$2,000 has been raised. Members were asked to contribute to this effort.

### Fundraising Committee – Sheila Brown

The Committee established a goal of \$10,000 to add to the HCCA treasury. An Art Auction is the proposed major fundraiser for 2014 which is planned for May 17<sup>th</sup> 5:00pm to 9:00pm. A casino trip is planned for the Spring or Fall.

Need volunteers to serve as Chairs for the following events:

- Hillcrest Day
- Garden Tour: If we decide to have one. The issue will be taken up at the next Board meeting.

### Education Committee – De’Andre Anderson

All were thanked for their support of the effort to establish an application school in our neighborhood. The application school was approved. The Committee will be testifying before the DC Council about the principal and schedule.

**Guest Speakers**

Councilmember Jack Evans gave an update of the DC budget and economic development plans.

Diane Thomas provided an overview and schedule for the Rock N Roll Marathon scheduled for March 15<sup>th</sup>.

DC Water and Sewer representatives responded to questions from members.

Phillip Hammond won the 50/50 Raffle

**Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 12:00pm.

**Respectfully Submitted**

**Deborah Johnson, Recording Secretary**