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Minutes HCCA General Membership Meeting April 2, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 10:08 by HCCA President, Vincent Spaulding. Chaplain, John Hawkins read an inspirational message “Success”, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the March meeting were read by Karen Lee Williams and approved by the membership.

Treasurer’s Report: Monica Evans reported that HCCA has a balance of \$5,397.73 in Wachovia Bank.

President’s Report:

- Vince again stressed his desire to increase the number of households represented by HCCA.
- The motion was made and passed by the membership to accept the changes of article 9 of HCCA by-laws.

Committee Reports

Recreation: Boyle Stuckley reported on the incidents of vandalism at the recreation center. Several different political and civic groups are working on possible solutions to address this issue. Vince asked Boyle to work with the ANC, the “Friends of Hillcrest”, the police and others concerned with the problem to attempt to coordinate their efforts. The issue of a sign in sheet and the checking ids of the users of the recreation center were discussed. Boyle will continue to work on these issues and coordinate with the other organizations interested in Hillcrest Recreation Center.

Fund raising: Richard Evans reported the bus trip to Midway Casino was a great success! The bus was sold out. Dennis /Gloria Logan and Carrie Thornhill made \$30.00 donations. The total profit from this day trip was \$358.88.

Information: Willard Poteat introduced Ted Risher of NCRC. Mr. Risher reported to the membership that NCRC had completed negotiation on 1/8 of the land area at Skyland and the environmental assessments have been completed. Mr. Risher expressed his delight at the progress being made on the Skyland Project.

Mr. Poteat then introduced Dan Tangherlini, Director DDOT who addressed the membership on the FY/2006 budget and budget hearing.

Membership: Evelyn Primas reminded everyone to sign in as they enter the meeting.

Education: Carrie Thornhill reported to the membership of the need to complete Phase III of the Randle Highlands Elementary renovation. She has been assured of funding for this project in the fy2006 budget.

Environmental: Mary Ross gave an update on the Public School clean-up campaign. She also reported she was out of pick-up sticks and asked the membership if there was any interest in HCCA purchasing more. There was no interest.

Annual Garden Tour: Marvin Bowser reported the Annual Garden Tour will take place on June 18th @ 11:00 a.m. Tickets are on sale beginning today. Tickets are \$10.00 in advance and \$15.00 the day of the event.

Legislative: Virgil McDonald reported the issues addressed by the committee this month are:

- Mayor's 2006 budget request
- Hearings on this budget start on Monday, April 4, 2005
- Review the bill Vincent Orange sponsored on campaign reform
- Information gathering
- Information on the National Capital Medical Center

Strategic Communications: Howard Ways reported the need for more members. The Walking Tour of DC on April 16th the Hillcrest portion will be on Saturday the 16th at 10:00 a.m. meeting at the recreation center.

PSA Report: Officer Nosner addressed the membership about last month's crime report. The monthly PSA Report was passed to the membership.

This month's guest speaker was Theresa Lewis, Chief of Staff, DCRA. Ms. Lewis addressed the membership on the role of DCRA and the changes implemented to make the agency more citizen friendly.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Karen Lee Williams
Recording Secretary