

### Hillcrest Community Civic Association

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# **Membership Minutes**

May 2, 2009

HCCA President Karen Williams called the meeting to order at 10:00AM.

Chaplin Hawkins gave the inspirational message followed by the pledge of allegiance. The April 2009 minutes were read and approved.

The attendee headcount at the April meeting was approximately 40.

# Treasurer's Report

The associations' balance as of May 2, 2009 is \$4574.08. The Treasurer's report given by Richard Evans was approved by the general membership.

# President's Report

President Williams announced that the June meeting will be an abbreviated meeting and will be adjourned at 10:45 for participation in the annual garden tour. The July meeting will be moved from July 4<sup>th</sup> to July 11<sup>th</sup>.

# Library Report

Librarian Leslie Karel announced several summer programs and the library website are being redesigned. There will be a building design meeting on May 6<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. The friends of the library meeting will be held on Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup> @ 7PM.

# <u>ANC</u>

Robin Marlin announced several topics/issues under review by the ANC including the renewal of several liquor licenses in the area. The former clinic building at Pennsylvania Avenue & S Street will now house a job training center run by the Community Education Group. The director of the center is A. Tony Young.

### Streets, Traffic, Transportation Report

Carrie Thornhill announced that Council Chairman Vincent Gray wanted us to know that the City Council approved the bond authority financing for the 11<sup>th</sup> Street Bridges Replacement project. She also announced that President Williams, Kathy Chamberlain and she attended Mayor Fenty's announcement of the selection of the contractor to "Design and Build" of the bridges. This is a victory for HCCA and east of the river. STTC was asked to look into safety improvements to Alabama Avenue in front of the Gregory Library.

### 20th Anniversary

Carrie Thornhill gave an update on the anniversary celebration and the cost of tickets. The theme of the celebration is "Celebrating a Legacy of Civic Leadership". The basic information is as follows: the event is a luncheon on Saturday, September 12 at Hillcrest Recreation Center, 12 noon – 3:00 p.m. Tickets are \$35 per adult; \$20 for children 12 & under and is free for children under 5. Legacy co-sponsors contribute \$1000; Legacy Patrons \$500; Legacy Members \$100; Legacy Neighbors and Friends listing is \$10 per. All get advertisements in the souvenir booklet. All are encouraged to participate in the momentus occasion in the life and history of HCCA.



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#### Garden Tour

Marvin Bowser announced that garden tour tickets are on sale as of today. The tour is on June 6<sup>th</sup> following the June HCCA meeting. Ticket prices are \$10 per person in advance and \$15 at the event.

## Membership

At today's meeting there were no new members and 1 visitor. There are 381 members on the active membership roster, of which approximately 100 have not paid their dues for 2009. In addition, there is an inactive roster of 197 members who have not paid dues since 2007 or before. A membership meeting will be held on May 14<sup>th</sup> at 5pm at the home of President Williams. An AdHoc committee is to be formed to develop the membership roster.

# Environmental

Mary Ross announced that Phil Hammond will lead the spring cleanup. The cleanup will kick off at the East Washington Heights Church at 8AM on May 16<sup>th</sup>.

# PSA 606/Public Safety Report

David Kirkpatrick announced several new committees: the Neighborhood watch committee, Safe House Committee, National Night Out, Safety and Emergency preparedness and a Little Sister committee.

Sgt Harvey and Inspector Sims were on hand to present the public safety report.

### Guest Speaker

President Williams introduced Calvin Smith, the Chair of the United Medical Center Foundation, an affiliate to the United Medical Center Hospital (successor to Greater Southeast). Mr. Smith noted that the Hospital has been reaccredited and made other notable improvements in the physical appearance, staffing, and service delivery. The center is a public private partnership formed to bring HealthCare to Wards 7, 8 and surrounding communities. Mr. Smith announced that the UMC foundation has adopted six schools in Ward 7 & 8 to provide health services. Our president and another member announced that they were recently taken to and received quality services from UMC. At the request of President Williams, Mr. Smith has agreed to come back to HCCA and have screenings for blood pressure, diabetes, and COPD at the July 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.

<u>50/50 Pick</u> – The winner of the pick is David Kirkpatrick; the amount to the winner and the Treasury was \$22 each.

Respectfully submitted

Yvonne Dupree Recording Secretary