

Hillcrest Community Civic Association

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HCCA Membership Meeting June 7, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Marvin Bowser, acting Chair for President Karen Williams.

The inspirational message was given by Chaplain Hawkins followed by the pledge of allegiance.

The Minutes of the May meeting were read by Linda Jackson, on behalf of Yvonne Dupree, and approved by the membership.

Treasurer's Report – Monica Evans presented the treasurers report which reflected a balance of \$4684.46 as of June 7th, 2008. The report was approved by the general membership.

Environmental Report

Pastor Burke reported for Environmental Committee about the illegal dumping of wood in the alley. He noted that the Holywood team cleared the alleys and city reps showed up. He indicated that if you see illegal dumping, the city rep noted that in order for them to arrest and fine the perpetrators, residents need to get a license plate and report the crime. He said when you call 202/727-1000, say that "I want to report illegal dumping."

Ruth Lewis explained the purpose of and noted the winners of and prizes for the Poster Contest, in Mary Ross' absence. All of them were from Anne Beers ES, the only school to participate. She said presentations were made at the school on June 4th. None of the Poster Contest winners were present to be recognized at the HCCA meeting.

ANC 7B Report

ANC 7B Chair, Philip Hammond, invited all to attend the third Thursday ANC 7B meetings at Ryland Epworth UM Church. He also noted that Michael Watts, CEO of MHCDO, would be the speaker.

In addition, Robin Marlin, 7B05 Commissioner, discussed the project at Branch Ave and Frankford St. She noted that some of the terms of the agreements that had been made were not being complied with. She said we needed to be vigilant with developers and make them keep their word.

There was additional discussion about the EYA (Southern Avenue) development. She said that they were proposing 54 single family homes on lots that would be half of what would normally hold one house.

She also said that representatives from the Washington East Foundation spoke at the last ANC 7B meeting and some of the people present had never before heard some of the information presented on the history of the organization. She hopes the HCCA members will support what the ANC Commissioners are trying to do.

Recreation Report

Boyle Stuckey reported that a meeting was held with DPR. He said if there were any concerns or issues about the Rec Center, please let him know and he would share with DPR. He said to expect another meeting soon and DPR will let people know. Some people shared some of the programs they would like to see at the Center, including Tai Chi, Pilates and Aerobics. Some of these are already scheduled. Members asked if schedule of Recreation Center activities could be put in HCCA newsletter.

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Education Report

Linda Jackson shared with the members some of the thank you notes received from Anne Beers students and teachers in appreciation for HCCA members' donations to their upcoming trip to Charlottesville to learn about US presidents.

Other Issues

The passing of Ms. Belva Simmons, was noted. Ms. Simmons was one of the founders of the HCCA.

Willard Poteat also mentioned that Ms. Anderson is leaving the Marketplace Safeway to relocate to the Hechinger Mall store. This move is a promotion for Ms. Anderson.

Doris Thomas, of Serenity Players, announced the production The Season on Youth with a post show discussion to be held May16 through May 18th. Please come out to support Serenity Players.

<u>Library Report</u> – Ms. Cheryl Allen provide information on the Summer Reading Program and discussed other activities at Francis Gregory and throughout the city.. She mentioned June 21st Jazz Night at Francis Gregory. Also, there are computer classes held for seniors. In addition, the Book Club meets the last Thursday in each month. Ms. Allen noted that although there are a lot of things going on, there was not a lot of presence form the community, despite the fact that there were a lot of "voices" being heard.

Garden Tour

Marvin Bowser announced the June 14th garden tour with a reception to follow and that tickets were on sale now.

Bylaws Changes

Given that a quorum was present, Mr. Burke read again the revised Bylaws changes that were read at the May meeting. After a question about the inclusion of Randle Highlands ES in the boundary, the bylaws changes passed by unanimous vote, including the renumbering of the sections for consistency.

MPD Report

Sgt. Michael Harvey reported crime report for Lt. Netter. He noted that generally there is a spike in crime in the summer. Commander Contee is increasing the presence of Segway patrols and there will be some officers on Harley Davidsons in about 30 days. In answer to how often officers check in at Rec Center, he noted that it was once daily and also at the Wellness Center and the Library.

Pastor Burke also announced that there was to be a block party in the 2100 block of 32nd St and he invited all officers to attend.

Meeting adjourned about 11:45.due to a fire drill at the Recreation Center; 50/50 Pick was held in the parking lot...

Respectfully submitted Linda Jackson acting for Yvonne Dupree Recording Secretary