



**Hillcrest Community Civic Association**

"Working Together for a Better Community"

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**REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
HILLCREST COMMUNITY CIVIC ASSOCIATION  
SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 2014**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular membership meeting the Hillcrest Community Civic Association was called to order by President Karen Williams at 1006 hours at the Hillcrest Recreation Association.

Chaplain Frank Anderson opened the meeting with appropriate remarks and the salute to the American Flag.

**REPORTS**

In the absence of the Secretary, there was no reading of the minutes of the previous meeting.

In the absence of the Treasurer, the President read from the written report of the Treasurer. A motion was made and duly seconded to accept the Treasurer's report.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Miles Steele announced a forthcoming jazz concert at the Francis Gregory Library on Saturday, June 21 from 6 to 9 PM.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ANNIVERSARY BANQUET**

Chair Julia Rones announced that the price for the tickets to the 25th Anniversary on Sept. 27 would be \$60.00. Mark Johnson may be contacted for tickets.

**FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE**

Sheila Brown thanked the membership for their participation. She reported that at least 138 tickets were sold. The goal had been 150. The purchase of art was less than anticipated. All of the school art was sold and realized \$1,055.00. The HCCA kept 50% of the proceeds and split the remaining funds between Ann Beers and Randle Highlands Schools.

The net profit from the total art auction (to this date) was \$4,451.00.

A future fund raising event might be a holiday tree decorating event.

### FEDERATION OF CIVIC ASSOCIATIONS

Ms. Gerri Simmons, President of the Federation of Civic Associations was recognized by President Karen Williams. She thanked Ed Williams for working with the Association and stated that there would be petitions available in the rear of the room for members to sign supporting the return of vocational schools in the district.

### ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

Mary Ross announced the theme of the 2014 Poster Contest would be "Save the Monarch Butterfly."

A "Poster Party" would be held on August 16 to lead the children in developing the theme. The contest is open to children ages 5 - 17.

### POLICE REPORT

Officer Andre Persaud presented the police report for Patrol Service Area 606. He spoke of a rise in the number of burglaries. The problem of robberies will be addressed at the next 606 meeting at East Washington Heights on June 18.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Parliamentarian Kenneth Burke presented the following changes in the HCCA By-laws for membership approval. These items had been approved by the board, read at the last membership meeting and printed in the newsletter. (Please note: unchanged items are printed in this type; deleted items are printed in italics; substituted items are printed in boldface; and added items are printed in a larger type face.)

## ARTICLE ONE

### OFFICES

#### *SECTION 3. PRINCIPAL OFFICE*

*The Principal office of the Hillcrest Community Civic Association is located at the Lutheran Church of the Hill Comforter at Alabama and Branch Avenues, S.E. in the District of Columbia (Washington, D.C.)*

ARTICLE THREE  
DIRECTORS

SECTION 5. DUTIES

It shall be the duty of the directors to:

e) Register their addresses **and email addresses** with the Secretary of the Association, and notices of meetings **emailed** *mailed or telegraphed* to them at such addresses shall be valid notices thereof.

SECTION EIGHT. PLACE OF MEETINGS

Meetings shall be held *at the principal office of the association unless otherwise provided by the board or at such other a place as may be designated from time to time* **by** resolution of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 10. SPECIAL MEETINGS

Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President, the First Vice President, the Secretary, by any two (2) directors, or if different, by the persons specifically authorized under the laws of the District of Columbia to call special meetings of the board, Such meetings shall be held *at the principal office of the association or, if different,* at the place designated by the person or persons calling the special meeting.

SECTION 11. NOTICE OF MEETINGS

b) Special meetings: At least one week prior notice shall be given by the Secretary of the association to each director of each special meeting of the board. Such notice may be oral or written, may be given personally, *by first class mail* **by email, or** by telephone, *or by facsimile machine* and shall state the place, date and time of the meetings and the matters proposed to be acted upon at the meeting. *In the case of facsimile notification, the director to be contacted shall acknowledge personal receipt of the facsimile notice by a return message of telephone call within twenty-four (24) hours of the first facsimile transmission.*

SECTION 13. MAJORITY ACTION AS BOARD ACTION

Every act or decision done or made by a majority of the directors present at a meeting duly held at which a quorum is present is the act of the Board of Directors, unless the Articles of Incorporation, these bylaws or provisions of law require a greater percentage or different voting rules for approval of a matter by the board. Unless otherwise restricted by the Articles of Incorporation or these bylaws, or any actin required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the board of directors may be taken without meeting using electronic *equipment* if all members are notified **by email** *in writing*at his or her *electronic* **email** address.

ARTICLE FOUR  
OFFICERS

*SECTION NINE. DUTIES OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY*

*The Correspondence Secretary shall see that all notices are duly given in accordance with provisions of these by-laws or as required by law. Keep at the principal office of the association a correspondence book containing copies of correspondence, the Bylaws, the correspondence book. In general, perform all duties incident to the office of Correspondence Secretary and such other duties as may be required by law, the Articles of Incorporation, or by these bylaws, or which may be assigned to him or her from time to time by the Board of Directors.*

ARTICLE FIVE  
COMMITTEES

SECTION 1. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Board of Directors may by a majority vote of its members, designate an Executive Committee consisting of *ten (10)* **five (5)** board members and may delegate to such committee the powers and authority of the board . . . .

SECTION FOUR. MEETINGS AND ACTION OF COMMITTEES  
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Meetings and actions of committees shall be governed by, noticed, held and taken in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaw provisions as are necessary to substitute the committee and its members for the Board of Directors and its members, except that the time for regular and special meetings of committees may be fixed by *resolution of the Board of Directors* by the committee. The Board of Directors may also adopt rules and regulations pertaining to the conduct of meetings of committees to the extent that such rules and regulations are not inconsistent with the provisions of these Bylaws.

**Any positions taken by any Committee on any issue, where the name of the Association is used, must be approved by the Board of Directors, before being made public in any forum.**

A motion was made and duly seconded to accept the above proposed changes to the Bylaws. The motion carried unanimously.

PROGRAM

Mr. Jeffery DeWitt, Chief Financial Officer of the District of Columbia Financial Office, was introduced as the first speaker.

Following his presentation, Fire Chief Kenneth Ellerbe, was introduced as the keynote speaker. During his presentation, Chief Ellerbe introduced Assistant Chief Eugene Jones, who has been named by Mayor Gray as the Interim Fire Chief effective July 3, 2014.

Following the drawing for the fifty-fifty, the meeting was adjourned by President Karen Williams.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth Burke (Acting Recording Secretary)