



Hillcrest Community Civic Association  
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## Membership Minutes October 1, 2011

The regular meeting of the HCCA was called to order by President Karen Williams at 10:08 AM followed by a moment of silence for Hillcrest resident Leon Joyner and then the pledge of allegiance. The September 2011 minutes were read and approved by the general membership.

### Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report presented by President Williams reflected a balance of \$8,435.14. The report was approved by the membership.

### Presidents Report | ANNOUNCEMENTS | COMMITTEE REPORTS

The attendance roles showed 36 members in attendance and 3 new members and visitors. Committee members will meet on November 10<sup>th</sup> to review and finalize the 2012 budgets and work plans; the final plans will be presented to the membership at the December meeting. Sheila Brown gave an update on the Wine tasting and Art Auction and thanked the committee for a successful night. A final evaluation of the auction is due on October 18<sup>th</sup>.

Miles Steele gave an update on the Library programs.

### PSA606/ Public Safety Report

LT Hodge gave the public safety report and announced that two cases were recently closed followed by a Q&A session.

Councilmember Alexander gave an update on the several topics including notifying the ANC 30 days in advance of the opening of group homes, paper bag tax and commuter bus traffic.

The Open forum, facilitated by Veronica Davis followed the committee reports and announcements.

50/50 – Winner: Raymond Keith

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 PM  
Respectfully submitted  
Yvonne Dupree  
Recording Secretary



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Open Forum  
Facilitator - Veronica Davis

- **Homeland Security**
  - Find ways to identify and assist mobility challenged and disabled persons within the community during emergencies such as the recent earthquake and hurricane.
  - Develop an evacuation plan.
- **National Park Service**
  - Address the need for additional NPS officers to patrol park areas within Hillcrest.
- **DDOT**
  - need lane markings on 38<sup>th</sup> Street
  - Signals and traffic control at Francis Gregory Library
- **Schools**
  - Meet with the principals of the three Hillcrest schools to get an update on the schools and their immediate needs.
- **Housing**
  - Home sales
  - Neglected and vacant properties
- **Public Safety | Crime**
  - Address the need for additional manpower; increase visible presence
- **Traffic**
  - Safety around Randle Highlands- address the speeding on Pennsylvania Avenue, blocking of intersection
  - Is there a school resource officer?
- **Neighborhood Watch | Block System**
  - Create a phone tree
  - Communication among neighbors
- **Succession Planning**
  - Create an initiative to get younger homeowners involved
  - Reach out to new residents
  - Succession planning for HCCA
- **Hillcrest Recreation**
  - Better classes |classes sometimes compete with the senior wellness center
  - Cleanliness
  - Communication
- **Contractors**
  - Leverage contractors to get discounts for Hillcrest residents
  - Post contractors on the HCCA website
  - Add articles in the newsletter on contractors
- **Collaboration among Groups**
  - Increase collaboration with ANC, Friends of the Library and committees
- **Social Events**
  - Hold more social events
- **Increase Hillcrest Visibility**
  - Have neighborhood boundary signs in strategic locations, for example trash cans, banners or flags
  - Signs that announce the meetings in strategic locations
- **Surveys**
  - Have regular surveys to gauge the community needs