

# Fairfields-Sylvan Neighborhood Association

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## Minutes of the Directors Meeting

September 15, 2010

Board Member	Position	Term Expires	Present	Absent	
Susan Dobson	President	2011		X	
Joe Goeller	Vice President	2012	X		
Lynn Schaller	Treasurer	2012		X	
Ken Ingle	Secretary	2012	X		
Sherry Seiwert	Member	2012	X		
Jan Froehlich	Member	2012		X	
Barbara Hazel	Member	2011	X		
Terry Dobson	Crime Watch	2011		X	
Tom Sturmer	Member	2012	X		
Kathie Church	Member	2012		X	

Five board members and twelve FSNA members and visitors were present at the meeting.

### Call to Order

Vice President Joe Goeller called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

### Minutes

Secretary Ken Ingle said the minutes of the last meeting (May) were posted on the FSNA website. Reading was dispensed with.

### Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Lynn Schaller was not present, so the Treasurer's Report was postponed to the next meeting.

### Announcement

Tom Sturmer announced that there would be a public meeting on Thursday, September 23, from 6pm to 7:30pm at the Glendale Library branch. The city will present information about the proposed Multi-Use Path alongside 62nd Street from Keystone Avenue to Allisonville Road. On August 10, Councilor Christine Scales announced that this project had received the recommendation of the Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPO) and was awaiting INDOT approval. Tom will present a letter approved by the FSNA board along with our survey results at this meeting. Anyone from our neighborhood who is concerned about the path should attend.

Following this announcement, Tom led a discussion of the Multi-Use Path and its implications for our neighborhood.

### Old Business

Joe gave a review of infrastructure projects affecting our neighborhood in 2009 and 2010, including:

- 2009 - Ewing St - from Kessler to 61st St - Drainage pipe laid and put in service.

- 2010 - 62nd St - from Keystone to Allisonville Rd - resurfaced - Federal Stimulus Funds
- 2010 - 61st St - from Oakland to Chester - resurfaced - Grants and City Budget Funds
- 2010 - 61st St - from Oakland to Chester - sidewalks repaired or replaced - Grants and City Budget Funds

This is a remarkable accomplishment for the span of time involved and the tightness of budgets currently. Getting it done can be attributed mainly to the efforts of Councilor Christine Scales, with the assistance of data fed to her by Joe Goeller.

Joe also read the text of the Good Neighbor Award presented to Christine by the GACC (Greater Allisonville Community Council). Since our last meeting, Joe has also become the Executive Director for GACC. He distributed handouts showing pages from GACC's newsletter and website, where Fairfields-Sylvan is well-represented. (FYI: GACC includes 22 northeastside neighborhoods, including FSNA. To review their purposes and activities, go to [www.greaterallisonville.org](http://www.greaterallisonville.org))

### New Business

Sherry displayed a flyer from WB's Pizza offering to donate 20% of sales to FSNA each Thursday evening, from September 9th to September 30th. The flyers have been distributed to houses in the FSNA neighborhood.

### Membership concerns

Tom suggested that FSNA consider lowering its annual dues to attract more members. Presently FSNA includes 394 house addresses, 75 of them current, paid-up members. Annual dues are \$25, payable in March for the current calendar year. It was suggested that \$10 or \$15 annual dues might increase this number.

FSNA's principal expense is postal mailing of newsletters. Tom said this might be saved by going to an emailed newsletter. For perspective on this, FSNA has a current email list of about 157 names of current and past members. Emails to the membership are sent to the entire list. In addition, there are 37 households who have joined sometime since 2004, but are not on the email list, in most cases because they do not use computers, but in some cases because of privacy concerns.

Ken moved and Sherry seconded, that FSNA ask its treasurer to assess what level of dues we could survive with, given various assumptions. Motion carried.

### Halloween

Someone asked whether there should be a Halloween house decorating contest. An informal vote showed none in favor among both board members and others. It was noted that cider and cookies might be served at the October meeting.

### Next Meeting

October 20, 2010, 7pm at John Strange Elementary School.

### Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.