# **Fairfields-Sylvan Neighborhood Association**

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# Minutes of the Annual Membership Meeting

May 18, 2011

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	Director	2012	X	
Terry Dobson	Director	2011	X	
Jan Froehlich	Director	2011	X	
Barbara Hazel	Director	2011	X	
Tom Sturmer	Director	2012	X	
Kathie Church	Director	2012	X	

#### Call to Order

President Susan Dobson opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

#### Minutes

Minutes of the April board meeting as posted on the Website were approved.

## Treasurers Report

Treasurer Lynn Schaller gave her report for the month of April. Opening balance was \$4,052.34; closing balance was \$4,682.34. There were two deposits totaling \$630.00 and no expenses.

#### **Election of Directors**

A quorum of FSNA members was deemed present.

Six directors, Sherry Seiwert, Joe Goeller, Kathie Church, Tom Sturmer, Lynn Schaller and Ken Ingle, have terms expiring in 2012. The remaining four, Susan Dobson, Terry Dobson, Jan Froehlich and Barbara Hazel, had terms expiring in this year. There being a total of eleven board positions authorized in the by-laws, this meant there were five positions up for nominations.

Barb Hazel was nominated and agreed to serve another term. She also nominated her husband, Bill Hazel. Ted Hudnut also agreed to be nominated to the board. Lynn Schaller resigned the remainder of her term due to time commitments.

The nominations were closed and the three nominees, Barb, Bill and Ted, were elected by acclimation of the FSNA members present.

Susan and Jan agreed to continue their support with ad hoc assignments in the future. Terry said he would continue supporting the Crime Watch program for the time being.

FSNA thanks Susan, Terry, Jan and Lynn for their services on the board.

#### **Adjournment**

The FSNA Annual Membership Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

# **Fairfields-Sylvan Neighborhood Association**

Board of Directors Meeting May 18, 2011

#### Call to Order

President Susan Dobson opened the meeting at 7:20 pm.

#### **Election of Officers**

Joe, Tom, Sherry and Ken were nominated for President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary, respectively, and all agreed to serve for the 2011-2012 term. Nominations were closed and the board voted by acclimation to accept all four candidates. Therefore the coming year will have the following board makeup:

Board Member	Position	Term Expires	
Joe Goeller	President	2012	
Tom Sturmer	Vice President	2012	
Sherry Seiwert	Treasurer	2012	
Ken Ingle	Secretary	2012	
Barbara Hazel	Director	2013	
Kathie Church	Director	2012	
Bill Hazel	Director	2013	
Ted Hudnut	Director	2013	

#### **New Business**

The remainder of the meeting was presided over by President Joe Goeller.

## Crime Watch

Terry reported that it had been "really, really quiet" this past month. Neighbors appear to have taken a more assertive attitude toward strangers, inquiring what their business is, if they are found parked or walking across neighbors' lawns, etc. Others present reported on police pursuing suspects through the neighborhood after an incident on the commercial corner. Also, an attempted break-in was reported. The subjects fled after being confronted by residents.

There was a discussion of how Crime Watch information would be sent out and to whom. It was moved by Kathie, second by Joe that monthly updates be sent to our entire email list, regardless

of membership in FSNA. It was pointed out that some residents did not allow their email addresses to be on the general FSNA list, but only on their block captain's list.

<u>Crime Watch Captains' Update</u> – Some boxes of Block Captain's business cards remain to be distributed.

#### Multi-Modal Path update

The meeting of DPW officials with 62nd Street residents is slated for Thursday, May 26 at Glendale library. Sherry will make sure the city is sending timely notices to 62nd Street residents.

#### Walkability Assessment:

Tom Sturmer presented an Exhibit summarizing sidewalk conditions (on a scale of excellent, good, fair, poor), streets where sidewalks are missing, and areas where sidewalks are frequently flooded within the sidewalk survey area, which included all of the F-SNA area. This exhibit will be included in the F-SNA website.

## John Strange School Traffic:

The school traffic and event parking concerns expressed by some Olney Street neighbors were presented during the first F-SNA/PTO Committee meeting (see meeting notes in the School News website page). These concerns have also been noted in the Safe Routes to School grant application being prepared for the School and School District. The School and District have been copied on a letter identifying these concerns as part of an F-SNA initiated site meeting held on October 1, 2010.

Discussion ensued about whether these issues are only School issues, individual Olney Street property owner issues, or are issues the neighborhood association should be involved with. At this point, F-SNA Board members have identified and communicated these concerns to the School and District, but have not endorsed any particular solutions.

#### F-SNA/ John Strange PTO Committee:

This Committee has been working on a Safe Routes to School grant application to support a Walk and Bike to School program development at the School. A resolution prepared by the Committee is located on the F-SNA website. The grant application submission deadline is on May 23<sup>rd</sup>, so it is not clear if the District will be ready to submit this application by this time. The grant application would fund the development of a Safe Routes to School Plan, and would include education, outreach and parent surveys, speed studies and enforcement, infrastructure planning, and coordination with other agencies.

#### Parking Lot Beautification - 62nd & Allisonville

Betsy Ingle and Jan Froehlich will undertake to meet with the shopping center owner to propose plantings with volunteer support from FSNA. No participation is forthcoming from KIB unless there are trees to be planted.

## Commercial Sponsorship of Newsletters and Website

Sherry reported there have been no takers to our solicitations. This was attributed to changing patterns in merchant advertising.

#### Website Traffic Update

Joe reported a declining number of visits over the last few months, but an increase in the number of pages accessed per visitor. Note: May ended with 505 visits, an increase of 41 over April.

#### Neighbor Power Awards

Joe said we submitted our application with appropriate documents, but didn't make the cut for this year's awards.

#### Annual Neighborhood Cleanup and Egg Hunt

Joe reported that nearly all our streets were picked up, as well as some of the creek north of the shopping center. Kessler Ridge Drive was the sole exception to clean-up activity. He will pick up the five flower basket awards for participants and distribute them this week.

Sherry said 25 to 30 kids showed up for the Egg Hunt and all the eggs were found just before it started to rain.

#### Annual July 4th Kids' Parade and Pitch-In

- Saturday, July 2, 2010 at John Strange School, starting 11:00 am. Set-up begins 9:30 am
- Joe will coordinate.
- Invite FSNA members, Terra Vista (Susan), Eastwood (Joe) [Note: this is from last year's minutes]
- Get Fire truck to come (Sherry)
- Design flyers and distribute (Barb and Kathie) and email (Ken)
- Neighbors to bring chairs and a dish to share
- Decorations on-site for people, pets, bikes and scooters (FSNA and volunteers)
- Need a good boom box to play music to lead the parade (Joe)
- FSNA provides drinks and sandwiches (Terry and Susan), plates, utensils, napkins and trash bags (Joe)
- Pets are invited
- Helium-filled Balloons (Susan and Terry)
- Moved by Joe, second by Kathie to budget \$250 for the effort [passed].

#### Website - Parts of it to be restricted only to paid FSNA Members?

Joe reports that Jerry can make this possible for about \$350. This idea was tabled until meetings resume in September, allowing more time for website interaction and increased dues payment.

#### Liability Insurance for FSNA and its Directors

Tom said that most organizations find this necessary. He will look into what it may cost.

# A<u>djournment</u>

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.