## **Fairfields-Sylvan Neighborhood Association**

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# Minutes of the Directors Meeting John Strange School, 7:00pm

October 19, 2011

<b>Board Member</b>	Position	Term Expires	Present	Absent	
Joe Goeller	President	2012	X		
Tom Sturmer	Vice President	2012	X		
Sherry Seiwert	Treasurer	2012		X	
Ken Ingle	Secretary	2012		X	
Barbara Hazel	Director	2013	X		
Kathie Church	Director	2012	X		
Bill Hazel	Director	2013	X		
Ted Hudnut	Director	2013		X	

## Call to Order

President Joe Goeller called the meeting to order at 7:10pm.

#### Minutes

Minutes for the September Meeting as posted on the FSNA website were approved

#### Treasurer's Report

In Sherry's absence, the treasurer's report was submitted by Joe. Beginning balance was \$4696.47. Expenses were \$52,80 for postage for the fall Newsletter. Final balance was \$4633.67.

## Crime Watch - Terry Dobson

In Terry's absence, there was no crime watch report. Our new IMPD Neighborhood Liaison, Officer Mark Warner, has not yet responded to our invitation to speak at a future meeting.

#### Website

Joe reported that the average hits per day in August, September and October were 29, 26 and 27, respectively.

#### **Old Business**

#### GACC Candidates Forum – Kathie Church

Kathie reported that there was a very good turn-out for GACC's City-County Council Candidates' Forum, held at Eastwood Middle School the evening of October 11. (She felt it was rather long, however.)

#### **Visiting Council Candidates**

The candidates for Council District 4 were both present at the meeting, so each gave a brief presentation. Democratic challenger Kostas Poulakidas presented his ideas and spoke of his

background. Republican incumbent Christine Scales then spoke. She mentioned the drainage pipe on Ewing Street, the sidewalks on 61st Street and the resurfacing of 62nd Street from Keystone Avenue to Allisonville Road.

## F-SNA/John Strange PTO Committee Update – Tom Sturmer

Tom reported that this Committee has not shown much interest in following up on the Safe Routes to School grant application submitted last year. He mentioned, when asked, that there are about 550 students at John Strange. For school events they are trying to keep cars parked on one side of the street along Olney. Tom asked that anyone who would like to coordinate any activities with the school to please let him know.

#### 62nd Street Multi-Use Trail

Christine reported that the Multi-Modal Pathway construction will begin in February. The road signs placed on the north-south streets will be up all winter. The sidewalk on Chester south of 62nd Street may be replaced.

#### Ladder Truck 21

Christine stated that the City has said that Ladder 21 will remain at Fire Station 21 on 71st Street, just east of Keystone. It is unknown at this time if funding could be reduced for the personnel at the station, however.

## Proposed Neighborhood Survey – Tom Sturmer

Tom said the Neighborhood Preference Survey can be used to prioritize needs such as sidewalks and drainage. This precipitated much discussion about the stakes along 62nd Street and drainage issues. Sherry will be in charge of getting the survey forms printed. They will be sent to all 400 FSNA residents. Joe will contact Jerry to have the survey posted to the FSNA website. Moved by Joe, seconded by Tom, that the association pay for the postage for the survey mailing. Approved.

## Guest Speaker

Our guest speaker was Jo Ann Klooz, president of Westmore Heights Neighborhood Association. Their boundaries are Keystone and Oakland on the east and west, and 62nd and 65th Streets on the north and south. These contain 250 residences. Since their Board elections are next week, Jo Ann could not commit Westmore, but she believed there was merit in Westmore extending south to Kessler Boulevard along Parker Avenue and Oxford Street. She expressed an interest in further interaction between our associations. Jo Ann spoke of the "galvanizing force" that led them to form an association, namely the need to "have a voice" with the City on its concerns. Residents had discovered that other City organizations were making decisions on issues affecting their future lives and property values, without their own input.

#### New Business

Moved by Kathie, seconded by Joe, that the attendees' drawing for a \$10 Kroger gift certificate be continued. Approved.

Moved by Barb, seconded by Joe, that FSNA Meeting yard signs be bought and placed in directors' yards by the Friday or Monday before upcoming meetings. Approved.

## FSNA Boundaries Expansion

Our meeting was only concerned with exploring the possibilities at this time. Gayle Stahl of the 6100 block of Dearborn Street reported their homeowners had a block party on Saturday, October 1st. She indicated that neighbors, with whom she talked, expressed interest in attending a meeting and getting more information.

## **Guest Speakers:**

Possibilities discussed were Brian Casey, Crime Watch Captain for Oakland Avenue, someone from DPW to talk about sewer and drainage issues.

#### **Attendance Drawing**

Winner of the drawing was Jo Ann Klooz.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

## Executive Session - Amending FSNA Bylaws

Moved by Tom, seconded by Joe, that the board of directors be no more than eleven members. Approved

Respectfully submitted, Barbara Hazel, for Ken Ingle, Secretary