

Fairfields-Sylvan Neighborhood Association

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Minutes of the Directors Meeting

John Strange School, 7:00pm

January 18, 2012

Board Member	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 7:05pm. Besides board members, seven members and guests were present.

Minutes

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

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Sherry Seiwert was absent. In her stead Joe reported the only expenditure was \$214.00 for FSNA yard sign placards. The opening balance was \$4633.67 and the closing balance was \$4419.67.

Crime Watch - Terry Dobson

One neighborhood resident was present to report a breakin of his SUV in his driveway during the night. An expensive radio was stolen from the vehicle.

Terry's report on the 61 days since our last meeting included four house breakins - two on Kessler and two on Sherman - plus two vehicle breakins, including the one reported here. All of these incidents occurred between Kessler Blvd and 62nd Street.

There is a new block captain for Tuxedo Street north of 62nd, but the former captain has not turned over the address and email information for the block member, due to expressed privacy concerns of some residents.

Block captain openings exist for Kessler Ridge Drive and for Allisonville Rd.

Website

- Joe reported that site visits currently are averaging around 75 a day, up considerably from the November figure.
- Website annual maintenance and associated costs have been billed at \$389.95. Moved by Joe, seconded by Tom that we approve and pay this expense. Passed.

- The Republic Services recycling schedule for 2012 has been posted on the website, courtesy of member David Tomeo. Users should know that all pickups within FSNA occur on Thursdays, except following a holiday (shown in red), when the pickup occurs on Friday. FSNA recycling pickup occurs in the "B" weeks (shown in green).
- It was moved by Tom, seconded by Kathie, that the board officers consider creating a password-protected page on the website, to include the link to our bylaws plus the Crime Watch reports. Passed.
- A new link on the homepage brings up the Department of Metropolitan Development's Land Use Map for the Northeast Quadrant of Indianapolis, which includes FSNA and all of the Greater Allisonville area. The
- A link to the DPW's plan view of the soon-to-come 62nd Street Multi-Use Trail has been posted on the Events/Hot Topics page.

Old Business

F-SNA/John Strange PTO Update – Tom Sturmer
Tom reported no PTO activity the past month.

62nd Street Multi-Use Trail - no report

Neighborhood Survey

Tom discussed the responses thus far to the survey. There have been 24 responses received on paper, and no responses directly from the website. Joe will check on this with the webmaster.

Of those who responded, the average number of years in residence was 25. The topic which showed the greatest interest from respondents was Crime Watch (100%). Tom has sent a spreadsheet summarizing the results (so far) to the FSNA Directors.

Newsletter editor Susan Dobson will include the survey as an insert in the upcoming FSNA Newsletter, which will be mailed to all residents.

Guest Speakers

Jo Ann Klooz is the organizer and president pro tem of the Westmore Heights neighborhood organization. Westmore Heights includes all residences from Keystone to Oakland Street which lie between 62nd and 65th Street. They do not have a website yet, but they have set up a Facebook page, which is not visible to the general public but can be viewed by Westmore residents using a password. Jo Ann says it's a very effective venue for information dissemination and exchange within the group. The issue which provokes the most activity is Crime Watch, just as it is with FSNA.

Joie Woods reported on the very successful tree lighting party at her house on the corner of Dearborn and 62nd. Over 100 people showed up and stayed late. They brought over 400 food items and some toys for children which were donated to the appropriate charities. Joie spoke of repeating the event next year.

Gayle Stahl, who is also from the Dearborn-Oakland area south of 62nd Street, stood up and spoke as well. Gayle and Joie showed a letter they plan to circulate in their area asking whether folks are interested in being an expansion area for FSNA.

Gayle also had some crime prevention advice: if someone comes to your door, *don't open the door*, unless they show proper credentials or you know them.

Next Meeting will be February 15 at 7pm. Joe will try to get Dewey Witte, the recently-appointed Project Manager for the 62nd St Multi-Use Path, to address the meeting with an update.

Attendance Drawing

Winner of the drawing for a \$10 Marsh gift certificate was Bill Howard.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ken Ingle, Secretary