

UNIVERSITY HILLS ASSOCIATION OF HOMEOWNERS
MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
November 1, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 11:30 A.M. by the president, Tom Hopwood.

Other board members present: Charles Schmidt, Nell Anne Hunt, Kathrine Pennington, Rick Lindsey, Anna Walther, Jim Wells, Terri Roan, Claudia Bracero, Suzannah Cronenwett, and John DeMarco.

Board members absent: Eva Klassen, and Pat Naylor.

Others in attendance: Arnold Martin, Past President of UHAOH.

John DeMarco presented the minutes of the October meeting. Charles Schmidt made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Terri Roan seconded and the motion was carried.

Jim Wells presented the Treasurer's Report for the YTD period ending October 31, 2016. Total Assets are \$ 28,902 and Net Income is \$ 5,883. Charles Schmidt made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. John DeMarco seconded and the motion was carried.

Nell Anne Hunt distributed a Realtor's Report dated October 30th. There are 5 homes currently listed for sale in UH. (None are listed for sale in Alto Vista.)

Nell Anne Hunt reported that the Volunteer Programs at UH schools; Farine Elementary, Travis Middle, and MacArthur High, are off to a good start. Nevertheless, additional volunteers are welcome to help students with reading and mentoring, if only for one hour per week. Nell Anne added that the new Performing Arts Center at MacArthur High School will have its Grand Opening on December 9, 2016.

Kathrine Pennington reviewed the arrangements for the Annual General Meeting (AGM) which will be held on Tuesday, November 15, 2016. Postal cards announcing the event already were sent to residents. Additional alerts will be disseminated via email and robo-calls. Charles Schmidt will conduct the business segment of the meeting. The Volunteer Opportunities Committee will make a presentation on the new initiative for registration and assignment of UHAOH volunteers through use of the special website at SignUpGenius.

Tom Hopwood summarized his recent discussions with Don McGee, Chairman of the Nominating Committee. For various good reasons, Tom and Don propose the Nominating Committee be disbanded with immediate effect. In its stead the board of directors will assume full responsibility for the identification, assessment, recruitment, and development of candidates for Directors and Officers for UHAOH. All were in agreement with this proposal.

Respecting the one directorship open for election at the up-coming AGM, names of several residents were brought forward for consideration. Tom Hopwood will contact these potential candidates to ascertain their interest and willingness to commit time and effort to the betterment of our neighborhood. Tom will email his assessments to the board to obtain a consensus. Charles Schmidt noted that UHAOH bylaws allow for nominations from the floor at the AGM.

(Subsequent to the meeting a consensus was obtained to the nomination of Kavin Schieferdecker. Also, Sherri Le Van was nominated as a non-voting appointee to the board of directors.)

Respecting Deck the Hills scheduled for Tuesday, November 29th, Kathrine Pennington graciously offered to create a postal card for announcing the event to residents. Rick Lindsey is coordinating with Arnold Martin on costumes for the Magi. The Volunteer Opportunities Committee is tasked with staffing the representation of the Holy Family.

Respecting Spring Fling 2017, Rick Lindsey proposed the date be moved one week later to May 13, 2017. Leo Hull and the Texas Blues Machine are available for this date. All were in agreement with this change. Rick also canvassed the board about the children's activities planned for the event. Several suggestions were made which Rick will investigate and review with the board at a later meeting

Claudia Bracero reported on the Volunteer Opportunities Committee's new approach to soliciting and organizing volunteers. The use of a special website [SignUpGenius](#) will facilitate connection of residents interested in volunteering with tasks and duties, both specific and general, integral to production of UHAOH programs and activities. Suzannah Cronenwett and Claudia Bracero will present this new online application to residents at the up-coming AGM.

Anna Walther exhibited a treasure-trove of brochures and other materials that she's obtained from the City of Irving, Las Colinas Association, Irving Police Department, Irving Parks and Recreation, etal. These will be distributed to residents new to Irving/Las Colinas by the Welcoming Committee along with the Directory, the UHAOH flier, and a warm greeting. Also, Anna and Wolfgang are donating carry-bags in which to package these materials. Given the frequency of home sales, it's expected the Committee will be making 2-3 welcoming visits each month. The Committee will commence these welcoming activities later this month.

Tom Hopwood announced that Eva Klassen has volunteered to take over responsibility for the residential data base encompassing University Hills and Alto Vista. This is a most important function because the current program is showing its age.

Charles Schmidt reported that he's in consultation with Mr. John Wilcox and that he's making progress in completing the IRS application for 501(c)4 status. Charles noted that the IRS standard time estimate for completion of this form is 53 hours.

Tom Hopwood announced that # 3713 Guadalajara Court (Joe and Elizabeth Philipp) is awarded Yard of the Month for November.

Tom Hopwood distributed a pro forma listing of events for next year along with some budget amounts. Tom asked everyone to come to the next meeting prepared to discuss the establishment of a zero-based UHAOH budget for 2017.

It being 1:00 PM, and with no further business to conduct, John DeMarco made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rick Lindsey seconded and the motion was carried.

The next meeting of the UHAOH Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, December 6, 2016; same time and same place.

Respectfully submitted,

John DeMarco, Recording Secretary
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