

UNIVERSITY HILLS ASSOCIATION OF HOMEOWNERS  
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES  
October 5, 2021

The monthly meeting of the University Hills Association of Homeowners Board of Directors was called to order at 11:40 AM by Tom Hopwood, President, on Tuesday, October 5, 2021. The venue is the Board Room in the Las Colinas Association's Corporate Office located at # 3838 Teleport Blvd. in Irving, TX. Also, a Zoom videoconferencing platform was arranged to permit Board Members not physically present to participate in the meeting.

A quorum of 10 directors included; Anna Walther, Rick Lindsey, Michael Basoco, Jim Wells, Ottis Lewis, Charles Schmidt, Nell Anne Hunt, Nicholette Mason, and John DeMarco.

Others Present: Lisa Groehler, an Ambassador with the Irving/Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce and a new resident in University Hills (# 304 East Northgate Drive), was a guest at today's meeting.

**Minutes of the September 2021 BOD Meeting**

Minutes of the September monthly Board of Directors meeting were distributed by John DeMarco via an email dated September 28, 2021. The minutes were accepted as presented.

**Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's Report for the 11-month period ending September 30, 2021, was distributed by Jim Wells via an email dated September 30, 2021. A list of responses to potential questions accompanied this report. There were no comments and the report was filed for the fiscal year's financial review.

**University Hills Online Magazine**

In response to a query from Tom Hopwood, Jim Wells affirmed his concurrence in the consensus obtained at the last meeting, i.e. no further efforts are to be expended in attempts at establishing an on-line version of the neighborhood magazine

**UHAOH Annual Budget 2021/2022**

Tom Hopwood distributed the proposed UHAOH Budget for 2021/2022 via an email dated October 4, 2021. This budget incorporated a reduction in the amount of Neighborhood Grant expected from the City of Irving (COI) as well as reflected the discussions held at the last meeting about various items of the budget. Anna Walther moved to approve the Budget as presented. Nell Anne Hunt seconded and the motion carried.

**2022 Membership Campaign**

Anna Walther advised that a replacement candidate for the position of Membership Committee Chair has not been found as yet. In the interim, Anna will carry out the duties incumbent upon that position. Anna also confirmed that all the resident info data files along with the correspondence files have been secured.

**Nominating Committee Report**

Further to discussions at the last meeting, Anna Walther, Nominating Committee Chair, reported that the vacancy created by resignation of Steve Hoisington prior to completion of his directorship will be addressed in due course. Anna also noted that the fulfillment of this position is at the discretion of the Board (refer Article VII Section 11 of the Bylaws).

### **Safety and Security Committee**

Tom Hopwood advised that the Rochelle Traffic Resident Survey Report has been distributed to parties at interest. Also, the Committee is awaiting a meeting with COI and IPD staff to identify other measures that might be pursued to calm the traffic on both Rochelle and Northgate.

### **National Night Out: Tuesday, October 5, 2021**

Rick Lindsey (VP Activities) reviewed the arrangements for celebrating National Night Out in University Hills. As mentioned at the last meeting, a postal card with full details was sent to all residents. An email reminder was communicated to residents via MailChimp, too. Rick also noted that COVID-19 protocols have required many HOA's to adopt ad hoc programs to celebrate NNO in their neighborhoods. Several of these HOA's requested copies of the informational materials relating to Safety & Security issues that his committee had assembled in order to enhance their own NNO programs.

### **Adult Social Mixer: Thursday, October 14, 2021**

A colorful postal card designed by Kathrine Pennington was sent to all residents announcing the event. Details of the event relating to the location, time, menu, masking and registration requirements, etc. were provided as well.

### **Deck the Hills: Sunday, November 28, 2021**

At the last meeting Rick Lindsey (VP Activities) reviewed the thinking of Ottis Lewis and himself about the event format being a reprise of the "Drive Through" Deck the Hills that was held last year, albeit with some minor modifications. This would ensure full compliance with the COVID-19 protocols currently prevailing. Ottis and Rick are also considering an alternate format of the event, if the restrictions on outdoor gatherings were to be lessened. The event could then be done as a "Walk Through" by attendees with stations situated along the path for Santa, The Magi, Letterbox to the North Pole, Manger, refreshments, etc. This concept will be developed further and a final decision about the format will need to be made.

### **University Hills Resident Directory**

Michael Basoco (Directory Committee Chair) advised that preparations for publication of the 2022/2023 UH Resident Directory are already underway. Two prospective ads have been placed and an issue date of April 2022 has been targeted. It was thought that an end February cut-off date would apply to the directory listings.

### **Real Estate Report**

Nell Anne Hunt presented a Real Estate report for September 29, 2021, which was sent around via Nell Anne's email of the same date. There were four homes listed for sale in the UH area; one of these is in Alto Vista. Nell Anne noted that the average price for a home sold in UH during the past six months has now risen to \$155/sq.ft. of living area.

### **Property Appearance: October**

Joyce Guedalia, Chair of the Property Appearance Committee, advised that the Yard of the Month for October was awarded to # 613 Sonora (Vernon and Barbara Schoemaker).

### **New Business: The Lakes along Rochelle Boulevard**

Michael Basoco drew attention to the fetid condition of the ponds along Rochelle Boulevard which is on-going having first been noticed back in August. It is understood that the accumulation of pond scum and algae is often an issue at this time of year. But the poor condition seems to have persisted despite several treatments by DCURD.

Michael also passed around two different “Doggy Poop” Bags which were obtained from the dispensers located along the walkways at the Rochelle Lakes. The Las Colinas Association supplies these bags to keep the walkways clear of animal waste, which is appreciated. It appears, though, that the replacement bags are inferior to the bags previously supplied by LCA. Michael opined that this change in bags could result in their non-use.

With no further business to conduct, Ottis Lewis moved to adjourn the meeting. Nell Anne Hunt seconded and the motion carried. The time was 1:05 PM.

The next regular meeting of the UHAOH Board of Directors occurs on November 2, 2021, at the same time and same place (Board Room in LCA Corporate Office at #3838 Teleport Blvd., Irving, TX).

John DeMarco  
Recording Secretary  
10/05/2021

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