

Alvarado Garden Neighborhood Association

Minutes of the Board Meeting

March 16, 2015

Present:

1. Carolyn Siegel President
 2. Yolanda Homans Treasurer
 3. Jill Schneider-Taylor – Secretary
 4. Kristen Hogg – member
 5. Sally - member
 6. Cathy - member
 7. Bruce Baumgartner - member
 8. Karen - member
 9. Bob – member
 10. Don - member
- ❖ The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.
 - ❖ The minutes from the February 2, 2015 Board Meeting were submitted and approved.
 - ❖ The Treasurer’s report was reviewed.
 - There is a balance of \$1135.00 in the treasury.
 - The Treasurer’s report was submitted and approved.
 - ❖ The Agenda for the Annual Neighborhood meeting was discussed.
 - ❖ The meeting will be held in April.
 - ❖ The exact date will depend on the options presented by the 2 venues: Los Griegos Center or the Rio Grande Nature Center Educational Building.
 - ❖ Kristen and Yolanda will research the possibilities and present their findings at the Annual Meeting Planning Session.
 - ❖ The following responsibilities were assigned for the ANM;
 - Yolanda will be in charge of refreshments.
 - Carolyn will chair the meeting
 - Jill will collect the dues and e mails of those who wish to be placed on the e mail list. (list serve.)
 - ❖ An announcement will be made asking for new neighbors to join the board.
 - ❖ The following topics were suggested for the Annual Meeting Agenda as well as possible people to address the questions and concerns around these topics
 - Wildlife issues: feeding cranes and coyotes, : Beth Dillingham
 - The nature Centers plans to build a viewing platform at one end of the existing parking lot
 - ◆ Design of platform
 - ◆ Impact on houses on Candelaria: State Parks architect.

- ❖ Threat of fire in the Bosque to homes in the Rio Grande Compound and those bordering the Bosque.
 - ◆ Controlling risk,
 - ◆ Adjusting existing vegetation: Matt Schmader, or Fire Department representative
- ❖ City of Albuquerque Plan's to widen trails in the Bosque.
 - ◆ Impact on Wildlife
 - ◆ Impact on Vegetation
 - ◆ Impact on Access
 - ◆ Citizen input
- ❖ Zoning, Building Codes
 - Bruce Baumgartner will create a contact list with pertinent State, County and city departments.
 - Will be distributed at the Meeting.
- ❖ Traffic issues
 - Speeding on Candelaria,
 - Speed humps, speed tables
 - Roundabout
 - Striping and lane changes on Rio Grande Blvd.
- ❖ Yard Sale – to be held during the State Fair
- ❖ Block Party
 - ◆ Calk Walk
 - ◆ Hat contest
 - ◆ Fire truck
 - ◆ Pet parade
- ❖ Alvarado Academy – Kathy Chilton
 - ◆ Signup sheets at the meeting
- ❖ Raffle or Donation Sale for Meeting? What is possible?
- ❖ How to announce the Annual Neighborhood Meeting was discussed.
 - ◆ There will be no flyers this time, simply signs at the pertinent corners.
- ❖ Organizers for different segments will meet separately in small groups.
- ❖ Old Business
- ❖ The following topics were discussed and reviewed:
 - ◆ Barking Dogs
 - ◆ Zoning for livestock
 - ◆ Heavy machinery in yards.
 - ◆ It was decided that these are not always AGNA issues
 - ◆ Many could be handled personally or through appropriate city and county office.
 - ◆ Need for a contact/resource list was re emphasized.
- ❖ Suggested that there could also be educational forums around topics such as traffic, appropriate pet control and so on. This will be explored further in the future meetings.
- ❖ Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.
 - Next AGNA Board meeting will be in May.