

Alvarado Neighborhood Board Meeting

Zoom Meeting June 15, 2020. All Board Members in Attendance, Dana Alterman and Partial Attendance by Guest Speakers, David and Talia Sledge

1. The meeting was called to order by President Diana Hunt
2. The Agenda was submitted and approved.
3. The Treasurer's Report
 - a. AGNA has switched our banking business to Compass Bank. They are not charging AGNA a monthly fee.
 - b. Expenses to date:
 - i. 2 charges for website use.
 - ii. 1 charge for the door hangers announcing the annual meeting in March which was cancelled.
 - c. Balance = \$793.55
 - d. It was suggested that we set up a system to allow AGNA residents to submit membership dues via the website. Melo will follow up with Yolanda about this.
 - i. It was suggested we post a reminder on the website about when dues are due.
 - ii. Melo will put an announcement on the listserv regarding this when the web pay system is set up.
4. Encouraging Racial Equality – Guest Speakers Talia and David Sledge
 - a. The Sledge's wanted to thank all who showed up to make signs for the Black Lives Matter Movement.
 - b. The Sledge's also suggested several ways that AGNA could build unity among our diverse neighbors.
 - c. Melo King asked David and Talia Sledge if they would provide a recap of their suggestions for the Board to digest and for a committee of volunteers to use as a starting point for further discussion.
 - d. The Board did feel that more conversation was needed and agreed to follow up via email regarding next steps.
5. Revised Mission Statement of AGNA and Trail Speech.
 - a. Mike Dexter presented the revised AGNA mission statement that the committee for this created.
 - b. Discussion followed. Suggestions were made to the revision.
 - c. The revision was not accepted.
 - d. The committee will re-meet, gather the suggestions view and consider all comments.
 - e. Please send your comments and revisions to Mike and Diana by email by Sunday night. Wordsmithing is welcome. Also please state the purpose or reason you see it necessary to make the changes.
 - f. Please also submit your thoughts and revisions for the Trail Speech at the same time.
6. Garage Sale and Block Party
 - a. It is uncertain if it is wise or possible to plan for these in the fall.

- b. Alternatives could be Porching or Patio Gatherings on a regular basis perhaps by block or numeric address.
 - c. Recommended we check out City and National plan for National Night Out, 10/6/20.
 - d. A small group formed to check out possibilities – Jimm Palmer, Kathy Chilton and Carolyn Siegel.
7. Board Members and New Members
- a. Bob Poyourow explained the regulations concerning the length of service for each board member.
 - b. He presented two interpretations and solutions.
 - i. We can treat expiring terms as vacancies and fill them and actual vacancies by a board vote until we can have an annual meeting.
 - ii. We can extend everyone's term until the next Annual Meeting can be held.
 - c. The second solution was moved and accepted.
 - d. It was moved to appoint Dana Alterman as a new Board Member immediately with the understanding that she, like the rest of the Board, would stand for election at the next Annual Meeting.
 - e. This motion was seconded and approved.
 - f. Congratulations and welcome to Dana.
8. Zoning Requests
- a. A Zoning Committee needs to be formed to review requests from the City or interested parties for Zoning changes, requests for variances and building use exceptions in our neighborhood.
 - b. Jonathan Siegal, AGNA member, has already agreed to be on the committee.
 - c. This Ad Hoc Committee will be formed to review Zoning and land use issues.
 - d. Jennifer James and Jonathan Siegel will send an email to the listserv soliciting volunteers from the neighborhood for an additional committee member.
 - e. Diana Hunt will review the necessity of updating the Board Member Handbook re Zoning and land use issues.
 - f. A small group of board members was tasked with creating charter documents for this new committee to be completed within following two weeks.
9. TAG and Friends of the Candelaria Nature Center.
- a. Carolyn reports that this organization is forming, and she will keep us updated on progress, action steps and membership.
10. Old and New Business
- a. Kathy Chilton reports that the photos of the Great American Clean up are ready.
 - b. She would like to create a questionnaire to be sent to the listserv asking for input about ways to make the neighborhood more child friendly.
 - c. She presented ways to meet and get to know people in the neighborhood on streets where one does not live.
11. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30 by Diana Hunt.