

Cory Neighborhood Association
Board of Directors meeting
September 12, 2005 at Coffee on the Patio

Present: Ken Braly, Elizabeth Leonard, Art Maurice, Carrie Holmberg,
Absent: Jay Orlando, Kevin Smith

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm.

1. The August board meeting minutes were approved.
2. Board Elections- Since a handful of board members will be stepping down, we discussed ways to get more people interested in running for election and joining the board. We all should ask our neighbors if they're willing to consider becoming a board member. Elizabeth suggested Ken send an e-mail blast to street captains all the other e-mail addresses we have. If you know of anyone interested, send his/her name to Ken. We will invite any potential new board members to attend the next board meeting at 7 pm on October 10.

3. Committee Reports I

- a. Newsletter/Flyer: The newsletter looked terrific! All the newsletter invoices have been sent out. We are expecting \$725 in advertising revenue. Printing cost \$657.08. Elizabeth will send copies of the newsletter to Westfield, Megan Doyle (Ken Yeager's office), etc. This last newsletter was 100% digital, hooray. Elizabeth, who will be stepping down from the board in October, has graciously offered to help the next person who will be doing the newsletter learn the process. Kevin was absent, so he couldn't report on distribution. Elizabeth made several follow-up calls to the volunteers who distributed.
- b. Volunteers: nothing new to report
- c. Treasurer: from Art: In addition to the e-mailed report below, Art deposited \$300.00 today. We have 3 CDs. Art will do another 6-month CD. Here's the financial activity for the month of August:

Beginning Balance \$13,221.20
Deposits \$ 1,578.00
Checks \$ 5,353.82
Ending Balance \$ 9,445.38

Deposit was from the Dumpster Day.

Check Breakdown:

Gen Meeting Pizza/Flyers - \$ 386.64
G Meeting/D Day/Clown - \$ 445.19
Newsletter printing - \$ 657.08
Dumpsters - \$3714.91

Block Party (R Van Dalen)- \$ 150.00

Total \$5353.82

- d. Grants-CAP 17: Art is photocopying the checks, he has 4 more checks to turn in, which he will do next week, then CAP 17 will be complete. CAP 18: is done and handed in with our grant change request. We had \$900 left over. SJ Beautiful grant will roll over. Apparently there is some interest for a fall tree planting session. Ken will contact Werner re: this. Fundraiser for CNA: "Westfield Works Wonders" is a way CNA and other groups can raise money. We/other groups sell tickets/coupons to a special evening on Sunday, Nov. 13 from 6-9 p.m. when the mall is only open to those who hold \$10 tickets/coupons (anyone who shows up without a ticket/coupon has the chance to buy one at the door). \$7 goes to the group/charity/CAN, \$3 goes to Westfield to cover the printing of tickets, etc. Stores hold special sales just for this event, there is entertainment, there are children's activities. We should try to sell tickets at the October general meeting.
- e. Traffic-Only tangentially traffic related: An adult senior daycare center will be moving in the empty business space next door to Coffee on the Patio. It will service 60 seniors, all of whom, it is reported will be bused in. Neighbors were notified of this change and had a chance to express themselves at a city-sponsored meeting.
- f. Street Captains-Next meeting is October 6 at 6:30 p.m. at Coffee on the Patio.
- g. Web site-

4. Upcoming Projects

- a. October meeting, Oct. 17 at Cory: Greg Broiles, Cory resident and estate planner will sponsor the meeting. We'll serve ice cream. All the new Cory tenants will be invited to come and introduce themselves to our community. After accepting nominations for new board members will hold the election. Elizabeth will create the flyer. If a Project Bookmark member is available, she will make the pitch for CNA contributing \$115 to hosting the Project Bookmark Web site for one year. The group will vote. Carrie will ask Marlee Benefiel if she's able to do this.
- b. Halloween parade: 5 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 30 at Cory. A popular event last year, but it's not clear if Toni Sindelar is heading up again. Things to organize include boom boxes with Halloween music, refreshments (?), and "Safety First" glow sticks for the kids.
- c. Tree project: Ken will contact Werner Field. Some people are interested in a fall tree planting session.
- d. CPR class? Elizabeth has a call in to neighbor Brent, a resident fire fighter and former CNA board member, I believe, re: teaching this. Since hurricane Katrina hit, it has been impossible to get through to the Red Cross. A complete CPR training takes 9 hours.

5. New/Other Business

- a. Project Bookmark: After some discussion it was decided that Carrie will invite Marlee Benefiel (or some other Project Bookmark representative) to come to the October general meeting with flyers about Project Bookmark, its accomplishments and goals, and the Project Bookmark Web site, and explain the request. We can put the issue to a vote.
- b. Other projects? no

Meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m. Once again Gary kept Coffee on the Patio open (it usually closes at 5:30 pm) just for us.

Respectfully submitted,
Carrie Holmberg