

July 2021
OWANA Steering Committee
Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 6, 2021

7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

Zoom Call

Attended by a Quorum of the Steering Committee, consisting of:

- Adrienne Goldsberry, Chair
- Andi March
- Christine Buendel
- Kate Ertlé
- Alexer Taganas
- Maureen Metteauer
- Shawn Shillington
- Mike Sullivan
- Renae Alsobrook, who took these minutes

1. Adrienne Goldsberry called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.
2. Minutes of July Steering Committee meeting were reviewed and approved.
3. Treasurer's Report.
 - a. Report was provided via email prior to the meeting.
 - b. \$200 in new memberships.
 - c. Total balance slightly over \$109,000.
 - d. We need to close the Square account. Maureen will ask Ellu and Sinikka about access.
 - e. We updated the Paypal account, so we can take membership payments online.
 - f. Group discussion about Venmo and other ways of taking payments; consensus to streamline to just PayPal for consumer transactions.
4. Committee Reports/Remarks:
 - a. Zoning.
 - i. 1415 W. 10th Street went to HLC and is in negotiation over design.
 - ii. Gateway Apartments zoning meeting turned into mostly discussion about the golf course; otherwise not much news, and more to come.
 - b. Affordable Housing. CCDC has used \$600 for basic repairs for some of the properties they've run.
 - c. Parks. No report.
 - d. Technology. No report.
 - e. Membership.
 - i. The door hangers are in and have worked. I still have lots of door hangers so this means we're still reaching out to people. I'm going to guess we've distributed

10%. That's not a real number but I have to start from somewhere. Thank you for those who are passing them out. I've been out of town most of the month as has Andi.

- ii. We have 8 general membership payments since our last meeting. Three were regular renewals. Two were renewals from members who haven't renewed in years. And three were brand new members.
- iii. We had one business membership renewal for Dick Deaver Architects. We may want to consider a push for business memberships in the Fall 2021. Suggest reaching out for volunteers during our September 2021 general membership meeting to help drive this.
- iv. Total cost spent on membership materials (door hangers) was \$175.86. This has already been approved. Door hanger will also work for businesses with perhaps a personal note/visit.
- v. We will continue handing out flyers to the other 90% of residents (again, this is just an estimate/baseline).
- vi. Hope to start reaching out to businesses after the September General Membership meeting.

f. Events.

- i. Recap/thank you for July 4th event
- ii. We had an End of School Year party on June 3rd. It poured but we had a pretty great turnout of kids. I'd like us to consider that End of School and Beginning of School parties be included in our branding of OWANA. We could also have this a part of OWANA events although it focuses on school-aged kids. For the kick-off to school party, this can be end of August or beginning of September. First day of school is August 17th. School holiday is September 6th.
- iii. Our new events chair is Claudette Kazzoun. She managed to pull off two events in wicked time. We had very positive feedback on both the June 3rd School Party and the 4th July event. However the quickly organized events prevented us from requesting a budget (I'm not sure if we have an Events Budget). However, here were the expenses: June 3rd: \$70 for drinks and snacks. July 4th: \$431.25 for Casey's Snow Balls and \$350 for band The Almost Readys. I'd like the OWANA steering committee to consider reimbursement of \$70 for branding expenses and \$781.25 for events expenses. For those checking my numbers, I took off some expenses for the water that wasn't used and is still sitting in my basement.
- iv. Maureen needs access to the budget that was passed for this year, to reference the Events budget. Renae to forward.

g. Transportation. Railroad crossings continue to improve at snail's pace. Not complete yet.

5. Other Business and Announcements:

- a. We need a new Steering Committee Chair. Kate nominated Adrienne Goldsberry. Andi seconded the motion. Vote passed with unanimous approval.
- b. We need another Steering Committee member to fill out the 13-person committee. Send suggestions to Mike Sullivan, who will vet candidates and share them with

Adrienne, and post them in the Owl in advance of September General Membership meeting. General Membership must vote in a new Steering Committee member.

- c. Upcoming opportunities for neighborhood input:
 - i. CM Tovo Budget Town Hall: July 19, 5:30-6:30pm via Zoom
 - ii. Construction on water lines along 9th & 12th Streets: July 22, 6pm
 - iii. Project Connect, various dates: <https://capmetro.org/get-involved>
 - iv. Gateway Tract meetings
 - d. Persons experiencing homelessness in the neighborhood. UTPD was called to assist a person camping near Open Door Preschool. Discussion about if/how OWANA should be involved in this issue. Agreement that Adrienne should reach out to Kathie Tovo's office for updates on what the city is doing, and guidance
 - e. Feelings about future in-person meetings for upcoming Steering Committee and next General Membership meetings (September). Agreement that we'll keep August SC as a virtual meeting, and move September GM to in-person. Adrienne will work on getting a location (Mathew or maybe St. Luke's as the backup) set up.
6. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.