

Urban Neighbors Board Meeting

Tuesday, April 7, 2009

Jim Thorpe Conference Room, Downtown Library, 300 Park Avenue, Oklahoma City, OK 73102

Present: Jeff Bezdek, Paige Gregory, Trey Holmes, Steven Newlon, Brett Price, David Remy, Dick Rodine, Holly Shelton, A.J. Winters,
Absent: Mark Gibbs
Also Present: Karen Arbogast, UN Admin. Assistant

Minutes

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by David Remy, UN President.

II. Approval of Minutes

David Remy deferred the Approval of the Minutes from the March meeting since Mark Gibbs was absent.

III. Financial Report

Trey Holmes gave the financial report. A recommendation from the Audit Committee was to transfer the Pay Pal account to the bank account. David Remy made a motion to **recommend the Financial Report be approved to submit to the Audit Committee**. It was noted that there were no major known expenses. Paige Gregory seconded the motion. Motion Passed unanimously.

Dick Rodine discussed doing a reception/welcome event for Jane Jenkins. Jeff Bezdek recommended giving flowers or a welcome basket. Paige Gregory made the motion to **purchase a plant for Jane Jenkins, not to exceed \$50**. A.J. Winters seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

It was mentioned that name tags were needed for new Board members. A motion to approve the order and purchase of name tags not to exceed \$45 was made by Jeff Bezdek. The motion was seconded by Dick Rodine. Approved unanimously.

IV. Membership Report

Not given as Mark Gibbs was absent.

V. Social Report

Holly Shelton gave the Social Report. She reported the upcoming events which would include the May social at the Mid-Town Deli and the June social would be at the Museum of Art. She also reported that the Yard Dogs wanted to host a UN game night.

VI. Marketing Report

Paige Gregory gave the Marketing Report. The next newsletter will go out tonight, April 7, 2009. Dick Rodine requested that the Home Tour information be added to the newsletter.

Two UN relay teams will be participating in the OKC Marathon. Brett Price will finalize the location for the UN meeting point. The location will be included in the next newsletter.

VII. Home Tour Report

The Home Tour report was given by Steven Newlon. They are recruiting voluntary members to help. The Home Tour was then discussed by the UN Board.

VIII. Reciprocal Association Memberships

Bricktown is now done. Mid-Town is requesting one. Brett Price made a motion to *approve reciprocating memberships with for all downtown organizations that support or are related to Urban Neighbors' mission*. Holly Shelton seconded the motion. Motion approved.

IX. Mayor's Development Round Table

David Remy discussed UN participation in the Mayor's Development Round Table. Jeff Bezdek recommended that UN have a presence there and make sure the table is full. Brett Price suggested that a cap be put on the amount spent for this. Jeff Bezdek made the motion to *approve paying the cost for three UN attendees or for the equivalent cost to be pro-rata subsidized if there are more than three attendees* and A.J. Winters seconded. Motion approved.

X. Ambassador Award Nominations

Jeff Bezdek talked about the UN Ambassador Award. Jeff suggested that two awards be given out this year. Holly Shelton recommended that only one award be given out. The qualifications for the award was then discussed among all the board members and a vote to *make more than one Ambassador Award was approved*. Jeff Bezdek asked to have the criteria for the award emailed to him so he could compile all the ideas for the board to review.

XI. Urban Pioneer Awards

Discussed as part of Agenda Item X.

XII. New Business

Paige Gregory requested that the board meeting time be moved to 6 PM which was met with general approval.

Steven Newlon proposed that UN purchase T-shirts to wear for the Home Tour. Holly Shelton will get the pricing on T-shirts. A.J. Winters made a motion for *Holly Shelton to purchase T-shirts with the price not to exceed \$300*. Paige Gregory seconded. Motion approved.

XIII. Announcements

None.

XIV. Adjourn

David Remy adjourned the meeting at 7:40 PM.

Karen Arbogast
Urban Neighbors Administrative Assistant