

GNA Board Meeting Notes – August 23rd, 2004

Attendees:

Board Members: Mike Collins, Eric Dorris, Janelle Imken, Holly Vatter, John Busch

Absent: Austin Spencer

Committee Chairs: Arthur McLean

Absent: Robert Floyd, Lisette Schmidli, Gillian McLean

Other Invitees: Ted Biggerstaff, Karen Waldo

Absent: Nic Holland

Minutes:

John Busch called the meeting to order at 6:30pm at Mike Collins' house and enjoined discussion on the following agenda items:

- 1) Collect additional agenda items to be discussed during the meeting. These include:
 - a) Review and discuss comments returned with dues – JB
 - b) Discuss upcoming transition and new board members needed – JB
 - c) Call vs. write residents that haven't been GNA members for several years in conjunction with the Directories effort - JB
 - d) Past Meeting Minutes review on website in archives section
 - e) More Champion's...
 - f) IDEA: Add FAQ to the ACC section
 - g) Items for the Newsletter

- 2) Review and discuss comments returned with dues – JB
These comments included:
 - a) A request to ask GNA to encourage neighbors to keep their dogs as quiet as possible.
Board comments: We will include a note in the newsletter.
 - b) A note to thank the GNA Board for their efforts and also to praise their ability to make a difference.
Board comments: Thanks!
 - c) A note: "Love the new entrance!!"
Board comments: Special kudos to Nic Holland.
 - d) A note: "Nice job on the front entrance. Thank you!"
Board comments: Special kudos to Nic Holland.
 - f) A note from Allyson & William Allen: "We have moved to SA and we loved our Glenlake home (we left for personal reasons) and the neighborhood and hope that the entrance project continues to go well."
Board comments: Best of luck in your new residence!
 - g) A letter expressing disappointment over the dues increase, which also made the following points: Glenlake is unique compared to other neighborhoods whose

dues we cited in our dues letter. There is also a broader range of incomes here. The GNA should not spend monies before they are secured. Please continue efforts to increase level of dues participation from those not yet contributing. Board comments: Great comments and very pertinent. The board is also sensitive to spending monies we have not yet secured, but that is not the case here. We simply spent down to a historically low level so we made a special effort to rebuild the treasury. We agree with your suggestion, and have already been taking steps to contact members to boost participation. Finally, the '04 dues structure included a small increase with a larger voluntary contribution in order to gage the acceptance of such an action. Since a significant number of residents have contributed at the higher voluntary level (much appreciated!) this would indicate some acceptance of that prospect. However, the board also appreciates that there are a range of incomes and will consider this aspect carefully in the future. We also want to thank this resident for the valuable feedback.

h) A comment thanking the board for its hard work and requesting more detailed financial information, especially concerning Entrance Project expenditures.

Board comments: Our esteemed Treasurer has contacted this resident to provide the extra detail requested. While our intent is to keep financial details off the website, they are always available upon resident request and are also handed out during GNA General Meetings twice a year, and we certainly encourage resident attendance if at all possible.

i) A comment: "Property owners not cutting weeds on their lots."

Board comments: We will include a note in the newsletter. The board also took the action to contact the county about cleaning up loose gravel accumulations at certain intersections.

j) A comment: "Entrance area looks great. Trim vegetation back from Roads to allow walking."

Board comments: We will include a note in the newsletter. The board also has just recently expanded our contracted mowing along Glenlake Drive for both aesthetics and ease of walking.

3) Newsletter –Holly, Karen

Items for the Newsletter include:

- a) Dog barking
- b) Bus driver salutations
- c) Cut in front of your lot so people can walk more easily
- d) Neighborhood sponsors and other advertisements
- e) Letter from the President
- f) Welcome new neighbors – welcoming committee announcements
- g) Message re: special subject to be removed before posting on website.
- h) Loose dogs and pets
- i) Fire hazard / Fireworks
- j) Treasurer's report and balance and income statement, but remove it before posting on website.

After reviewing a proposed Newsletter, the Board provided their comments.

Jannelle suggested that we send out an e-mail saying: “We’re about to send out a newsletter and in the spirit of saving money, if you’d like to receive the Newsletter electronically rather than a paper copy, please let us know.

Also, per Jannelle, we should try to create a new recognizable e-mail account to be used from now on for all neighborhood business. This will save our messages from getting deleted by spam filters. Eric suggested using info@glenlakehoa.org. Arthur will obtain this address through our Website Host.

4) Treasurer’s Report – Jannelle

a) Budget status

b) Membership status

c) Membership solicitation letter updates from Jannelle and John

Per Jannelle, we’re at 106 right now. Jannelle did get her e-mail out to residents who were previously GNA member, but may have forgotten. However, she just did this recently, so we are not sure of the response rate yet.

5) Committee Reports:

a) Entrance Committee – Nic

Nic is arranging for the renovation of the “lantern” portion of the Gatehouse. After this is complete, the landscaping will follow.

b) Social Committee – Gillian / Arthur

The Ice Cream Social was a big success. Everything was donated with many thanks to all who made contributions. Woodlands Park was a very successful meeting place, which we might use for a Pot Luck Supper in the Fall.

c) Welcoming Committee – Gillian

Letters of welcome have been sent out to several new neighbors and Welcome books were also provided.

d) Architectural Control Committee – Robert

Nothing significant to report. A few projects are underway around the neighborhood.

e) Neighborhood Development Committee – Lisette

Champions are threatening to sue the City again if all restrictions are not eliminated. City Staff should know by the end of this week when Champions’ zoning cases will be on the Council’s agenda

f) Website – Arthur

Arthur outlined new content.

6) Board Updates:

a) Grounds Maintenance / Entrance – Austin

No issues.

b) Database / E-mail / Directories – Eric

Eric and Mike will start to work on Directories soon.

c) Newsletter –Holly, Karen
See Item 2, above, for updates.

d) Special Projects – Mike
No updates.

6) President's Update – John

The board discussed upcoming transition plans including new board members. John will send an e-mail with names of potential new members to Eric, Mike and Holly.

7) Discuss additional agenda items not already covered - John

See above

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40p

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Vatter, GNA Secretary (some written content provided by John Busch)