

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2004, 7:00 P.M.

- I. **Call to Order/Approval of Minutes – Joseph.** Present at the meeting were Dwayne, Robert Curlin, Lisa Tully, Dean Rose, Tom, Paula Graves and Sue May. Greg Gormley and Terry Thomas were unable to attend. Joseph asked for a motion to approve the minutes of June, 2004. There was no WNNA Board meeting in July. A motion was made by Robert Curlin to approve the June minutes and seconded by Lisa Tully.

- II. **Reports/Discussions**
 - a. **Treasurer – Tom Reeves.** We had total expenses of \$665.31 for the month of August and a beginning balance of \$6,790.75. Tom reported that our current balance is \$7,851.98. A motion was made by Dean Rose to approve the Treasurer’s report. The motion was seconded by Robert Curlin.

 - b. **OOCCCL – Robert Curlin.** Robert advised there will no homes from Wynnewood North on the OOCCCL home tour. There is a general meeting next month that will preview all of the homes on the tour. The meeting will be at the Turner House. The general meeting is on September 13, 2004. There are newsletter ad rates in case WNNA is interested in placing an ad in the publication. (Sue May arrived at the meeting). Business card ads for the tour program are \$350.00. The tour is October 16-17th. There were several Oak Cliff neighbors “Night Out” parties in August (the first Tuesday in August), that were very successful. On Sept. 18th, the Run through the Cliff is taking place. There will also be a fair at the Bishop Arts District on the same day, and neighborhood associations are being encouraged to sponsor booths. If we participate, the booths would show things of interest in the neighborhood, pictures, sell neighborhood t-shirts, etc. Robert has a schedule of the Town Hall budget meetings if anyone would like a copy. If anyone is interested, there is also a reality show, casting for rooms to remodel on the show.

 - c. **Publications – Greg.** Greg was absent from the meeting.

 - d. **Beautification – Dwayne** advised that problems with the triangles stemmed in part from the city hiring a lawn service to mow the triangles. Joseph caught them in the act. The city has now agreed to not mow the triangles. We will use Arthur to maintain the triangles through this summer. George and his wonderful partner have agreed to maintain the Monssen triangle. We will ask Mary Scherer if she will help us to maintain the Woolsey triangle.

- e. **Advertising – Paula Graves reported that she had only two people to follow-up with on renewals. Bishop Street Market advised that they probably wouldn't renew their advertisement. We have four people who have solicited to put ads in the newsletter, however none of them have submitted the ads they would like to place. Both Paula and Greg have attempted to contact them for advertisements, but they haven't called back. Sue commented that there are several new businesses in the Bishop Arts District such as the jazz club, etc. We should also contact Tejano's about advertising in our newsletter. We need to talk to Sam Benson at Tejano's about advertising. Joseph will give the names of the business contacts he knows to Paula so she can contact them about purchasing an ads.**

Advertising in the Directory – no one has asked to advertise in the directory.

- f. **Activities – Sue May. The Lake Association has decided to not do a Wander. Board discussion ensued regarding timing of the next Wynnewood Wanderer. Robert Curlin suggested that we go with three homes rather than four homes. The first home would be primarily cocktails and light food, the second home would be more food, and the last home would be more evening cocktails and dessert. The majority of the Board thought we should continue to have a fall Wander. Sue advised that there is difficulty in soliciting volunteers to sponsor the Wander. Paula Graves and Sue May voted against having a fall Wander and Lisa Tully abstained. Dwayne, Robert, Dean, Tom, Joseph and Cindy voted to try and determine if we could locate volunteers for the Fall Wander and to check on available dates. We will consider trying to do the Wander on the weekend of the OOCCL tour of homes. The other weekend suggested was the weekend of October 9th. Joseph will approach Wendy and Connie about hosting.**

III. New Business

- a. **Block Captains – WNNA Directory. Lisa Tully reported the Architectural Survey flyer has been passed out. The neighborhood has been canvassed for new addresses. We are still missing information for several streets. Paula suggested that we include flyers for the streets that we don't have information for. Joseph advised that we are behind schedule in printing the Directory. We need to go to print by the end of this month. Cindy will print up a flyer for distribution by Friday regarding updating individual contact information for the directory. We will need 100 flyers. The flyers need to request updated information including phone numbers, e-mail addresses, and current members of the household. We need to send the Directory to the printer within the next two weeks.**
- b. **Crime Update – Terry Thomas was at work and unable to attend. Joseph gave Terry's report. Since July 5th we have experienced a burglary at Greg Higgins, Dwayne lost a potted plant. Jennifer Touchet's car was stolen after it was left unlocked, but the car was recovered in Duncanville the next day. There was a**

garbage can fire on Bizertte. Two lawn mowers in the 600 block of Woolsey were also stolen. Police patrols are down and crime is up. Since July 5th, we have had 5 instances of crime in the neighborhood. One of the officers patrolling the neighborhood has been reassigned to another area. Joseph will call to report that we have had an increase in crime since July and we need to continue to be diligent.

- c. **Non-Profit status – Dean Rose.** Dean reported that we have finally received Non-Profit status, effective July 30, 2004. We can now make purchases tax-free at establishments such as Sam’s, etc. Dean advised that Tom Reeves should call our bank and advise them we now have non-profit status. Dean also advised that a motion should be made for Tom to engage Sterling Tax to do any of our filings for any necessary tax returns and non-profit financial advice. Paula advised that we need some type of documentation showing our non-profit status and that the non-profit status needs to be documented. Dean stated that we have been approved for non-profit status through 2007. At that time, we will receive notification from the IRS regarding our non-profit status. Paula stated that we need to provide documentation for any future Board what needs to be maintained to retain the non-profit status. Dean stated that this should be transitional. We should also have our by-laws reviewed for non-profit status. Dwayne motioned to approve Dean’s motion and it was seconded by Lisa Tully. We will also need to prepare a receipt for any donations to WNNA so that the individual donating can take a tax deduction.
- d. **WNNA Dues collection/implantation**
- e. **Misc. Neighborhood Issues – Joseph** advised that our meeting space at the Chamber of Commerce will be terminating in October. We have the option of going back to the Top of the Cliff Club at \$75.00 a meeting, or in the alternative, one of the neighbors advised we could use the church we vote at. Joseph will inquire at to the cost of membership at the Club. Beginning in 2005, the cost of the meetings can be donated by Joseph’s bank.

National night out – Joseph received a call from Ed Oakley’s office regarding the National Night Out. Whoever the president is for OOCCL should advise all neighborhood associations of the event.

As you may recall, we have implemented the Neighborhood Award of the Quarter. Last month it was awarded to Christy Crane and it was well deserved.

Joseph advised the Board that he had been made aware by a neighbor that we have two sex offenders in the neighborhood. The topic was raised to make sure Board members were informed of the situation in case they were questioned about the issue by any neighbors.

Sue May advised that at a recent meeting with Laura Miller, they had put a 60-day delay on “big box stores”, for example Wal-Mart, etc. This is not implemented for the south of Dallas, only north Dallas.

Robert Curlin also advised that we need to protest that tax properties need to be fair throughout Dallas – not just raised in South Dallas.

- f. July Yard of the Month – 717 Bizertte was a first time nomination. Joe was also nominated, 325 S. Manus on the corner by the triangle was nominated. Their last win was in 2002. Also nominated was 740 Mayrant. They have won last summer. 717 Bizertte was voted as the September Yard of the Month.**

IV. Open Discussion

- a. Date change for next Board Meeting: Tuesday, September 28, at 7p.m. hosted by Dean Rose. Lisa Tully volunteered to host the November meeting. Dwayne will consider hosting in October.**
- b. Lisa Tully asked if anyone knew if the triangle by Kroger's had been sold. No one knew the answer.**

There were no additional issues. Dwayne moved to adjourn the meeting. Lisa Tully seconded. Meeting adjourned.