

CCNA Board Meeting 2/19/15

In attendance:

Ivan Light, David Rosenberg, Dorothy Clark, Kiki Miyake, Roberta Goodman-Rosenberg, Trip Friendly, Laurie Israel, Carlos Bermudez,

Started at 8:10 pm.

Ivan: thanking Trip Friendly for being Treasurer. David Rosenberg is the successor, awaiting approval by his company.

1. Treasurer Report, by Ivan Light – membership numbers, contributions, Quicken-Cloud
 - a. Membership: 66 deposits + 13 envelopes
 - b. Significantly ahead of this time last year in terms of numbers and dollar amount
 - c. Neighborhood mailing. Typically get 25 returned mail. May still be worth it, but hoping that some will “opt out,” to keep the cost down.
 - d. Trip: with returned mail, able to update records and see who left the neighborhood and introduce ourselves to the new people moving in.
 - e. Facebook CCNA page: Ivan is the administrator.
 - f. Houses for sale. Should reach out to them for welcome packet and security service (ACS).
 - g. Get a list from the city (maybe from ACS) that has the public record of who lives where. Ivan received the list with ACS. Thinks the list is in excel format. Will try to compare to our list in ACT.
 - h. Surge of people signing up, but then slowly declines. Need to follow-up with people. Will try to get updated list to board to distribute and go door to door by street.
 - i. Nikki Sieger – membership.
 - j. ACT is in a computer, unwieldy on Dell computer. Our financial information is QuickBooks Online on the Cloud. Will try to see if we can move ACT to Cloud as well.
2. Board of Directors – contact info.
 - a. Circulated around table. Opt out of snail mail if prefer.
3. 2015 Bank Resolution
 - a. Need authorization to sign checks. Read by Laurie Israel. Seconded by Dorothy Clark. Voted: passed unanimously.
 - b. David challenging his company’s current policy
4. Send a baby gift to John Darnell
 - a. John is on paternity leave.
 - b. Dorothy Clark moved to vote for gift less than \$100. Seconded Trip and Kiki. Voted unanimously.
 - c. Some discussion on whether a gift or donation would be appropriate. Don’t want to do something that would seem to compromise John’s position.
5. Work with Carthay Center Elementary in improving the school
 - a. Liaison from CCNA? Is there someone from the board or the neighborhood? Ivan: important for the neighborhood to keep the school in good form.

- b. Laurie Israel. Received an email from Naomi Cohen at Carthay who requested a tour of homes in our area.
 - c. Ivan will speak to John Armstrong to see who might be the right person (someone who has a child at the school).
- 6. Consider funding a plaque at Carthay Circle Park (aka: Miners Park)
 - a. Small ceremony to “open” the park with no real notification.
 - b. Dorothy Clark’s husband went. Paul Koretz.
 - c. Ivan: pursue putting a plaque on boulder at the park. Ivan will pursue. Speak to Carol Howard Villasenor.
- 7. Opting out of snail mail from CCNA
 - a. Will work out a systematic way to have people opt out.
- 8. HPOZ
 - a. This morning, Ivan spoke with Blair Smith, our contact person at HPOZ. Permitting drought resistant plants.
 - i. Southwestern design.
 - ii. At least 40% has to be covered with plantings.
 - iii. Can’t cut down trees without permission.
 - iv. Artificial grass: no per se prohibition, but it is left up to each individual HPOZ. Not environmentally sound. Gives off heat and problems with drainage, but if you can give a good argument, the HPOZ needs to consider it.
 - b. Does HPOZ have any enforcement over dilapidated property? HPOZ cannot mandate. However, the Department of Building and Safety.
 - i. Chain linked fence was not authorized, but was requested by neighbors because it had been a problem with vagrants.
 - ii. Set up meeting with the owner of that lot and neighbors and board. Encourage him to pursue the last proposal.
- 9. ACS
 - a. Carlos spoke with Greg from ACS today.
 - i. Sign-ups: up to 85. 3 sales people working in the area.
 - ii. To date no break-ins for homes that have signed up.
 - iii. South Carthay: hasn’t sent out mailing yet. Only 8-9 homes so far. They have 500 homes.
 - iv. Carthay Square not doing anything yet.
 - v. Sending out another email blast to encourage people to sign up. Quicker they sign up, and more they sign up, the more coverage we get.
- 10. Academy Museum of Motion Pictures
 - a. Trip: survey monkey?
 - b. Dorothy: Miracle Mile is filing a suit?
 - c. Draft environmental impact report. Ivan: we have made our response with the deficiencies. Now waiting for final environmental report. Next stage is public hearing. We’ll try to bring all these issues up. Ultimately has to be approved by the City Council.
 - d. Dorothy: the museum does not have parking. Major events. Three different screening rooms, 1300 people + servers + press; using spaces at LACMA and Peterson and 5900 Wilshire, won’t be enough. 24/7 parking for entire neighborhood. Not just museum, but

event center. Flashing digital signage completely out of character for the area. 5000 more cars a day. Metro also not providing parking.

- e. Start thinking about what we can do to combat the impact:
 - i. Museum paying for speed bumps??
 - ii. No turns during some hours??
 - iii. 24/7 parking
 - f. Ivan will send out in a newsletter.
11. Power lines on Crescent Heights
 - a. Coming down in the next few weeks.
 12. Postal Service in CC
 - a. Ivan: spoke to Karen Bass's office. She will be working with us on alleviating the problems. She sent a form to Ivan. He is passing it along to Roger.
 13. Block Party or other community event
 - a. Laurie Israel to head committee.
 14. Above Ground Utilities
 - a. Stephanie Moorehouse has been collecting info and ready to submit.
 15. Gasoline leaf blowers
 - a. Polluting: air/noise.
 - b. Illegal.
 16. La Cienega Park: being renovated
 - a. Judy Weinstock was involved in the last renovation. She is heading up that committee.
 17. New Items:
 - a. David: board insurance??? Ivan: federal section 501(c) tax exempt organization; California non-profit benefit organization for public purposes. Carlos will find out what our exposure is. Ivan will send Carlos the articles of incorporation.
 - b. Laurie looking at the paperwork for the insurance for the block party.

Good and welfare:

Trip: Thanking Ivan for all his hard work.

Motion to adjourn: by Laurie

Seconded by David. Voted unanimously.

Ended: 10:10 pm