

**WUNA Monthly Meeting
February 6, 2014**

The meeting was held at the Trinity Presbyterian Church.

I. Call to Order, Roll Call and Welcome

President Gans called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

Board officers attending during roll call: Richard Mayers, Vice President; Jim Glock, Secretary/Treasurer.

Board members attending: Janet Pitts Labate (Area 1); Mike Barker / Brent Hendricks (Area 2); Jim Chaffee (Area 3); Albert Marsh / Sara Van Slyke (Area 4); Judy Sensibar (Area 6); Lisa Agababian (Area 7); CJ Jones (Area 8); Matt Williams (Area 9);

At Large: Michael Morse John Patterson; Kurt Tallis; Barb Tanzillo; Carolyn Niethammer / Ford Burkhart; Chris Gans (Past-President).

Guests: Derek Burr (VIP Taxi); Samuel Alboy (Mama's Hawaiian BBQ); Officer Brad Clark (TPD); Nicholas Loper (President Kapa Alpha); Tristin Whitaker (Kapa Alpha).

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes (December 5, 2013 and January 17, 2014) and Treasurer's Report (XXX)

- a. Gans noted that John Paterson should be included under item VIII.a. for the minutes of December 5, 2013. Niethammer moved, seconded by Labate to approve minutes of December 5, 2013 as amended. Motion passed by all attending with Mayers and Gans abstaining.
- b. Williams moved, seconded by Morse to approve the minutes of January 17, 2014. Motion passed by all attending with Gans and Mayers abstaining.
- c. Tallis noted that "Marchel Foundation" should be "Marshal Foundation" on the second to last line of the report. Labate moved, seconded by Tallis to approve the Treasurer's report for December 5, 2013 through February 5, 2014 as amended. Motion approved with Gans and Mayers abstaining.
- d. Glock requested direction in response to the January 23, 2014 letter from Elaine Raviele, City of Tucson Housing and Community Development Department regarding the CDBG block grant program funds that the neighborhood maintains. The letter outlined two options for the future of the program within WUNA. Both options called for the program to be turned over to the City by December 31, 2014. Option 1 allows for the neighborhood to continue managing the funds, with conditions associated with insurance and City oversight until the end of the year. Option 2 calls for the CDBG funds to be turned over to the City at this time and provides for the City to manage the funds on behalf of the neighborhood until December 31, 2014, at which point, any remaining funds would be pooled with the City-wide CDBG program. Tallis moved, seconded by Tanzillo to proceed with Option 2. Motion passed by all attending with Gans, Williams and Labate abstaining.

III. Announcements – Open

- a. Officer Clark provided a printout of reported incidents within the neighborhood from 1/4/14 to 2/4/14. He noted that there has been an uptick in vagrancy, most likely due to the Gem Show. Labate expressed concern over lack of bathrooms and other issues at De Anza Park. Officer Clark reminded attendees to call 911 whenever there is an incident of concern, as the number of calls will influence the amount of TPD resources assigned to an area.

IV. Call to the Audience

- a. Tallis announced the last "Fords on Fourth" is scheduled for March 2. Costs for events due to streetcar prohibiting future events.
- b. Derek Burr from VIP Taxi reminded members to contact him if there are issues with his drivers.
- c. Williams reported on Pima County Leadership Institute Seminar held January 4. While it was very fundamental, he took away some good recruiting tips.

- d. Mayers announced an upcoming Sustainable Tucson meeting: “IS YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD READY FOR CLIMATE CHANGE?” February 10.
- e. Albo distributed a “Small Wonders” map and brochure featuring local businesses
- f. Loper announced that he is the new KA president and to contact him with any issues (nickloper171@gmail.com or (520) 870-3108. KA will be seeking community service projects within the neighborhood.

V. Spring Beer Booth

- a. Gans reported that Winter Beer Booth staffing, with one manager for each day, worked well.
- b. Managers for the Spring Fair (March 21-23) are being sought. He and Jones stepped up to do so, one more manager is needed.
- c. Jack and Jadel Shomenta have indicated that they will organize the volunteers.
- d. Glock will order beer cozies.
- e. Tallis reported on impact of Streetcar to future Street Fairs. There will be higher costs and fewer booths.

VI. Review WU Traffic Safety Plan

- a. Gans presented the map of the traffic safety plan showing locations of existing and proposed traffic circles, speed humps, and medians.
- b. Cost of plan to fully implement is estimated at \$116,000.
- c. Plan needs final review from City and then each element needs signatures of adjacent neighbors per City policy. Signatures will be good for four years.
- d. Landscaping of circles and finding volunteers to “adopt” them for maintenance needs to occur.
- e. Core Campus has expressed interest in funding some mitigation. Conversations are ongoing with various members and the Development Committee
- f. Campus Acquisitions has committed to installing and maintaining for a year circles at 1st Avenue and 1st and 2nd Streets
- g. Use of neighborhood funds for landscaping is possible and will be discussed at a future meeting.
- h. It was suggested that KA could adopt the circle at 1st Avenue and 2nd Street.

VII. Support of neighborhood letter concerning DM missions

- a. Gans briefed the board on the letter concerning DM missions that was sent out in advance of the meeting and asked if WUNA should sign on.
- b. Labate moved, seconded by Jones to add WUNA’s support and signature to the letter. Motion passed by all attending with Gans, Williams, Tallis, Mayers and Glock abstaining.

VIII. Development Committee meeting date

- a. Gans set the next Development meeting date for February 20th at 6 pm in room 105 Trinity Presbyterian Church.

IX. Development Updates, WU new and future meetings, etc.

- a. Options for a telephone for the corresponding secretary were raised. Use of Google Phone was recommended. Tanzillo will investigate.
- b. The Rabinovitz parcel may be in play again.
- c. Plans for the Trinity Presbyterian Church are still underway; a meeting to discuss the latest proposal is being scheduled.
- d. Corky Poster will present the latest Downtown Links planning effort at the March 6 Board meeting as it relates to the Downtown Development District
- e. Volunteers to lead a street tree planting effort are being sought.
- f. Consideration of a “Porch Fest” was raised.

- g. Core Campus indicated a willingness to contribute to traffic mitigation needs at a level equal to or greater than Campus Acquisitions.
- h. Glock suggested that in light of not having a President that meeting facilitation be rotated among the board members. He will facilitate the March meeting and Judy Sensibar will take minutes.

X. Adjournment

- a. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.