

WUNA Meeting Minutes
March 7, 2019
Trinity Presbyterian Church, Fellowship Hall
4th Avenue and University Blvd
6:35 p.m.

I Call to Order, Roll Call, and Welcome

The following board members are present: Lisa Agababian, Margaret Bly, Brian Chaneka, Richard Fifer, James Glock, Lenor Glover, Daniel Kirk, Elizabeth Koleski, Rick McDonnell, John Patterson, Jan Labate, Fred Ronstadt, Sally Rusk, Judy Sensibar, Rev Mack Sigmon, Willem Van Leeuwen, and Henry Werchan. The following board members are absent: Lisette DeMars, Sophie Griswald, DeeDee Koenen, Jane McCollum, Tom Warne, Jasmine Pierce, Tamara Prime, and Matt Williams.

We have a quorum.

In the interest of time management the welcome question is dispensed with.

II Approval of February Meeting Minutes and Treasurer's Report

Inasmuch as the minutes were available to the members via the WUNA webpage and the treasurer's report was distributed at the meeting, according to the consent agenda rules, they are both approved without comment with the minor changes regarding members present and Mortar Board activities.

III Announcements and Call to the Audience

Sam Brown, attorney for the TUSD#1 makes statements regarding the status of the school within our neighborhood, Roskrige K-8 Two Way Dual Language School and the possible impact to the neighborhood if the status changes from magnet to no boundaries or to boundaries. There is a possibility that school-age children living in the neighborhood could be bused to Sam Hughes, Cragin, Tully, Manzo or Safford. In the interest of time he is invited back to the April meeting where he can be on the agenda and be permitted additional time to speak and to answer questions.

Brian Chaneka states what the Joel Valdez library branch is doing with outreach to include neighborhoods surrounding downtown.

Sally Rusk makes a statement regarding the Seed Library event and how successful and well attended it was and hopes the library will continue to support this kind of activity.

IV COT Expert of the Month

Irene Ogata, Urban Landscape Manager for the City of Tucson presents a variety of water saving programs currently available from the City of Tucson. These include rebate programs for water harvesting, gray water, washing machines, and low flow toilets. Further she discussed landscape watering guidelines, watering by the weather, and a variety of Green infrastructure and health guides that are available to resident of Tucson who are Tucson Water customers. Irene's best advice to everyone when watering by the weather is to NOT change the duration of the watering, rather to change the frequency.

For specific information call 520 791 4331 or go to tucsonaz.gov/water.

There are also neighborhood stormwater harvesting programs which can use City funds to help with curb cuts, etc.,. These programs are managed in conjunction with Tucson Clean & Beautiful.

Barbara Macri asks questions regarding the City's willingness to fund a new grant and offers to help write a grant as well. Adam Minor states he would like to participate in the grant writing process.

V Community Events

Lenor Glover states that the tree planting event was a huge success, 101 trees were planted in parks, on sidewalks, and in private areas. The event took less than two hours because there were so many volunteers.

Margaret Bly moves that an additional \$210 be allocated to cover the cost of the extra trees which were planted on February 16, 2019. **Jim Glock** seconds the motion and states further that there is still \$1315.91 in the Zuckerman Donation (Street Tree Planting) fund and will use those monies for pay the \$210. There being no discussion, the motion passes unanimously.

The April board meeting will be dedicated to De Anza park. The clean up on February 23, 2019, was successful but short lived as the vagrants continue to leave trash and debris. TPD and other law enforcement agencies will be on hand to continue this discussion.

The 4th Avenue Spring Street Fair is scheduled for March 22, 23, and 24, 2019. **Jim Glock** will be in charge and invites all members to participate as the event is fun, worthwhile, and a great fundraiser for the many activities our neighborhood enjoys. A single 4-hour shift should be sufficient. This year our booth will be on the S.W. Corner of 5th Street and 4th Avenue.

Jack Shometa will be sending a doodle poll out seeking volunteers to help with the beer booth. Please access <http://doodle.com/.poll/ivk43d2zxhwftvbm> to sign up.

Lenor Glover reminds everyone that the 2nd annual WUNA plant exchange will take place in Catalina Park Saturday March 30, 2019 from 10 am to 2 pm. Come out and enjoy the neighborhood.

The Hey Neighbor events are being rebranded and for the nonce will be held at Gentle Ben's. The next event is April 24, 2019 from 5:30 - 7:30. Mark your calendars and come by for an entertaining evening. Our guest speaker will tell us about the U of A Art Museum.

Cyclovia returns April 7, 2019. This year's route includes Catalina Park. WUNA board would like to participate in some way by having booths or music. All suggestions will be considered!

Jim Glock states that an arts oriented event in the Historic YWCA could be planned to piggyback with the different groups who may already be participating.

Leonor Glover continues the conversation regarding a neighborhood yard sale, with individuals hosting their own yard sale, but it being a community event with maps, etc., **Rev. Sigmon** states that Trinity could provide a venue also to include tables, chairs, etc., The date for the yard sale is still up in the air, either late May after the students leave, or late October. The idea is tabled for further discussion.

VI Budget Review and Discussion

Jim Glock makes statements regarding the proposed 2019 budget (for the Period from 2/1/2019 through 2/1/2020)

Jan Labate makes a motion to approve the proposed budget as presented. **Brian Chaneka** seconds the motion. There being no further discussion, the motion passes unanimously.

VII Committee Reports CCRC and Development

Henry Werchan reports

March 13, 2019 is the next CCRC meeting in Main Gate Square.

March 31, 2019 is the Sam Hughes home tour. Tickets are \$30 per person.

April 7, 2019, the new Banner Hospital wing will be dedicated.

There is a community garden on 8th street in the Rincon Heights neighborhood. Garden plots are available for the asking.

The University is looking into the question of whether or not student housing is being over built. The issue will be discussed now that the Strategic Plan has been completed.

Judy Sensibar invites everyone to attend the next Development Committee meeting, Wednesday, 6pm, at Trinity Church's library. The deadline is fast approaching and the letter regarding the IID still needs to be drafted. New committee members are being sought. Non board members can be part of the committee. ■

8:01p.m. There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Margaret Bly
Recording Secretary