

WUNA Meeting Minutes December 6, 2018  
Trinity Presbyterian Church, Fellowship Hall  
4th Avenue and University Blvd

### **I Call to Order, Roll Call, and Welcome**

6:32 p.m. President Judy Sensibar calls the meeting to order. The following board members are present: Judy Sensibar, James Glock, Margaret Bly, Chris Gans, Sally Rusk, Dan Wilhelm, Tamara Prime, Elizabeth Koleski and Henry Werchan. Lisette DeMars is tardy. Lenor Glover, having notified the board prior to the meeting, is marked excused. Mike Barker, Jan Labate, Jane McCullum, Carolyn Niethammer, John Patterson, Fred Ronstadt, Willem Van Leeuwen and Matt Williams are not present.

### **II Approval of November meeting minutes and Treasurer's report**

Henry Werchan moves to approve the minutes as amended. Dan Wilhelm seconds the motion. There being no objections or discussion, the minutes are approved.

Elizabeth Koleski moves to approve the treasurer's report as submitted, Margaret Bly seconds the motion. There being no objections or discussion, the treasurer's report is approved.

### **III Announcements and Call to the Audience**

Jim Glock thanks everyone who has volunteered to help out with the beer booth. Judy Sensibar states that she met with both Jim Glock and Chris Gans to provide for petty cash to be used during the Street Fair.

Sally Rusk states that the Scholarships AZ event was very successful and over \$4000 was raised to provide university scholarships. Further there will be a second Jewelry sale December 16 from 10 am until 1 pm at the firehouse on 4th Ave because there is still lots to buy.

Karen Greene, in her capacity as a PCPL librarian, discusses the many events being planned for the Joel Valdez Main Library during December.

Karen Greene, in her capacity as Dunbar Spring Neighborhood president, shares a copy of the flyer their neighborhood has created featuring Dunbar Spring Buildings from 1896 - 1918 and thanks the WUNA for the grant funding which helped defray the costs of printing the flyer.

#### **IV De Anza Park Update**

TPD, Parks and Recreation, Wards 1 and 6 presentation.

TPD officer Jen Turner provides a **De Anza Park and Perimeter location calls for service**. She acknowledges that complaints have increased at Catalina Park which is to be expected because of the proximity of the two parks in question.

Officer Jack states that the TPD has taken an initiative to move shopping carts. If you see shopping carts, please call **Arizona Cart Services, Environmental Services at 791-3171**. After hours call and press 6 to leave a message.

Officer Turner cautions everyone to be careful if they decide to empty out abandoned carts and to be aware of the possibility of knives or other sharps which may be concealed therein.

Officer Jack further states that three separate drug dealers have been arrested.

The TPD front desk phone number 7 days a week from 8:00 am until 10:00 pm is 791 4467. Citizens are cautioned that calls will be triaged and non violent crimes may take a few days to receive a response as the TPD is very understaffed.

Brent Dennis from Tucson Parks and Recreation introduces himself and makes statements regarding the improvements and quality of experiences he hopes to bring about in our city parks. He further states that he will be happy to work with Tucson Clean and Beautiful Trees for Tucson in the Spring. His favorite holiday is Arbor Day!

As a proactive initiative Parks and Recreation hope to train at least ten (10) officers with citation authority to act as Park Rangers. The training will include a minimum of 40 hours. He further states that surveillance cameras are being installed. Better design of restrooms to put the wash sinks outside, and to elevate the privacy walls between stalls is being considered. They also hope to have Park Ambassadors in place as maintenance workers from 3:30 pm - 7:30 pm by late winter. Mr. Dennis reiterated that the more the parks can be used for positive activities, the better the experience will be.

Many members present have many questions and the guest speakers do their best to address general questions.

**A One City One Team** approach is being considered.

Nathalia Untiveros Council Aide, Ward 1 and Cat Beddard also answer questions and state they are investigating many ideas from other cities facing similar park problems. No one wants to close a park, rather they want to activate neighborhoods to better utilize their parks. Brent Dennis explains that parts of parks, like the playgrounds can be designated as Kid Zones.

Elizabeth Koleski states that congratulations are in order for Nathalia Untiveros who was named a 'Person Under 40' of the Year.

#### **V Set annual picnic and meeting date**

The annual neighborhood meeting and picnic will be held Sunday, January 20, 2019 beginning at 1:00 pm.

#### **VI Discuss slate for board member positions/Volunteer needed to coordinate election**

Henry Werchan and Lisette DeMars and Elizabeth Koleski will organize a slate of prospective officers to serve on the Board for the next year 2019.

Chris Gans asks to be taken out of order. There being no objection he proceeds. Chris Gans makes statements regarding the District building and other student housing and asks permission to represent WUNA before Mayor and Council about the IID sunset date. He would like WUNA to come up with a position about the IID's potential revisions, specifically regarding student housing and to further to prevent anyone using the IID to develop properties that don't meet the current height restrictions. It is agreed that Mr. Gans will call a meeting of the Development Committee to discuss WUNA's position regarding possible modifications to the IID.

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 8:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Margaret Bly

Recording Secretary.