

**Columbia Heights Civic Association
Board of Directors Meeting
October 11, 2006**

Attending:

Sarah McKinley

Ed Miltenberger

Linh Ong

Linda Palmer

Dana Schlichtmann

The Board of Directors for Columbia Heights Civic Association met to follow-up the election of officers at the Annual Meeting and make preparations for the following year. The meeting began at approximately 7:00 p.m.

It was decided that Ed Miltenberger would become President; Dana Schlichtmann would be Vice President, Sarah McKinley would be secretary and Linda Palmer would be treasurer.

Meeting Schedule for NCAC Meetings:

The group decided that the CHCA regular meeting day would be the second Monday of the month. We will confirm this preference with other Board members not present.

Activities and Commitments of Board Members:

Ron Haddox attends the County Bicycle Safety and Traffic Calming meetings and will continue to do the web site.

Sarah McKinley will continue to go to NCAC meetings.

Linda Palmer is Treasurer and attends the Arlington Civic Federation meetings.

Dana Schlichtmann will come to CHCA meetings and will follow the Penrose project. She is also an alternate to the Arlington Civic Federation. Dana is also interested in the Safeway project.

Ed Miltenberger follows the Bridge at Washington Blvd., Penrose and Safeway project, the trolley project, the leadership meetings for Columbia Pike civic associations, and street realignment initiative (figuring out where 11th Street will be located), and the Towers dog park (as well as generic dog issues).

Linh Ong will become our CPRO representative.

Web site:

We need to find a new person to take over when Ron leaves. We did find one person who was interested at our annual meeting. However, Linh Ong might be interested. Dana Schlichtmann is interested in communications issues and could be involved in editing and content management.

Recruiting:

Dana knows two people in the neighborhood who could be recruited for activities.

The group discussed assigning Joan Rineberg the task of outreach to folks in the high-rise apartments on the East side of our civic association. Charlotte Cleary would be a wonderful recruiter.

Meeting Topics:

Mentoring Program at Walter Reed. Ed Miltenberger reports that Laura Booth has an idea for a student mentoring program at the Walter Reed Community Center. There is a meeting on Thursday, October 12 at Walter Reed with Ms. Kathy Harris of WRCC. It is known that 55 children and 8 adolescents currently use the WRCC in an after school program.

Landscaping at the Walter Reed Center. It was suggested that the group ask Reggie Nixon to be a part of the landscaping issue. He has also represented the Village on that issue.

Transition issues for the neighborhood, related to economic development.

Cleveland Park – small grant prospects for landscaping and lighting. In addition, there was a discussion of vagrancy problems at this park. Our neighborhood conservation plan also recommended renaming the park after Ruth, who founded the park.

There was a discussion about the pie-shaped area on Walter Reed next to the two new houses on 13th Street.

The group decided that the November meeting will focus on the topic of a mentoring program at Walter Reed.

Process for Minutes:

We agreed for a new process for processing the minutes. Sarah will be responsible for sending minutes to board members for their comments to minutes, and will identify the final version to be placed on the web site.

Treasurers Report:

We now have over \$600 in our account, and about \$350 in bills to be paid. The board approved paying the existing bills. Ed moved that the bills be paid soon. Linh seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Letter to Walter Reed Community Center.

The Board edited the draft letter from Reggie Nixon to Ed Sneed at the Walter Reed Community Center. Linda will type up the draft and send it on to Dana for confirmation before sending it back to Reggie for signature.

Linda moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Linh. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Sarah McKinley