

# **RCCA Board Meeting Minutes**

## **Thursday, January 17, 7:00 pm**

### **Arbor Forest Apartments Clubhouse**

Attendance: Austin Kauffman, Linda Dunn, Ruth Stump, Kathy Boyle, Marcie Schwartz Guests: Sadie Shattuck – MSU Community Relations Partners, Peter Marvin – Univ UMC, Kathy Jacobs, Adrian Ojerio

#### Welcome/Introductions

- I. Approval of Agenda Dunn moved to approve, Kauffman 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed  
Approval of December 20 meeting minutes: Kauffman moved to approve, Dunn second, motion passed
- II. Reports:
  - Treasurer's Report (Linda Dunn)—No expenditures this month other than \$3 monthly cost, balance of \$725.43
  - Police (Adrian Ojerio) -- Student was a victim of telephone fraud, 'Chinese on Chinese.' International students are being warned, also receive education about scams and price gouging. Also, online threat to Islamic Center via Facebook, owner's acct. had been hacked. Staffing is improving, have made an offer to one person – should be working by Feb. and another hire to possibly start by June.
  - City of EL (Jake Parcell) – No report
  - School Board Update (Austin Kaufmann) – Discussion of moving annual meeting to school, Austin to check with Lorraine, including cost. See Newsletter for info about redistricting.
- III. Old Business:
  - Flood Insurance (Jeff Friedle) and other flood issues – No report
  - East Lansing as an Age Friendly Community (Kathy Boyle) – Presently on schedule, formatting action plans, once completed there will be community meetings.
  - Football parking at Red Cedar School final report – Ruth sent a thank you note to Lorraine. Austin to speak with Lorraine about who might be contact for next year football season.
  - Water Service Line and Meter Confirmation Survey for City of EL – Announcement was put in Newsletter.
- IV. New Business:
  - Sign on Marigold walk-through – Kathy Jacobs, guest -- suggestion of a sign, on neighborhood side. Suggestion of attaching it to the fence. Discussion of what should say, "Welcome to Red Cedar Neighborhood," Kathy agrees to explore options at walkway and possible wording, such as watch for cars; she will continue to discuss with RCCA Board.
  - Upcoming social events – Next night out is 1/22 @ Woody's, Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> is potluck at UMC.
  - Updating of RCCA Bylaws – See Austin's updated changes to bylaws.
  - Welcome letter to new neighbors – For distribution, will request that members of neighborhood inform a board member when they have a new neighbor; the board member will supply the welcome letter.
  - Welcome to neighborhood students – Plan to use the same letter and the Off Campus Living Guide, provided by Community Relations Partners.
  - Next board meeting dates: February 21 – after potluck, at church, March 21, April 18.

- V. Guest comments and letters:  
CRC representative Sadie Shattuck – Organization is not doing a new off campus student book, though have multiple copies that can be made available to RCCA. Group has become Community Relations Partners. CRP putting on event for Prime Time at Hannah Center, ‘tailgate’ and watching a MSU basketball game, DATE -- ????
- UMC representative Pete Marvin – Suggest Feb 21<sup>st</sup> @ 6:00, for Neighborhood Potluck, to be followed by RCCA Board Meeting. Church will serve lasagna, salad greens and coffee. Attendees encouraged to bring bread, sides, desserts, beverages, etc. Sadie will set up E-Vite for RSVP and what plan to bring.
- Spring Cleaning Liz Harrow – Ruth has not yet had contacted her. Questions for Liz include: will she chair it? Arrange VoA pick up? Find prices of dumpsters? Coordinate with UMC to place dumpster? Create potential time line? Check with city re: leaving items on the curve briefly?
- VI. Dunn move to adjourn, Boyle second, motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marcie Schwartz

Mon, Dec 17, 9:52 PM (2 days ago)

Hi Ruth

I would like to propose that we have a neighborhood spring cleaning..  
My idea is incomplete and I'd love for the board to add to it.

What I'm thinking would have four steps:

- 1) People who signed up would all clean out their basements some warmish weekend.
- 2) The following Monday (say) we would put all out junk on the curb or in our drives for a free-cycle day, inviting other people to take what they wanted.
- 3) The next day, (Tuesday in my model) we would have a scheduled pickup by Volunteers of America, who will come with a truck if we schedule it..
- 4) The next day, (Wednesday?) we would have a scheduled pickup by a shared rented dumpster to take all the remaining junk and any other stuff that people had thought wasn't good enough for the curb on Monday..
- 5) Anything left could be picked up with trash on Friday..

Tama Wray rented a dumpster with some neighbors a few years ago and I have been wanting for a while to repeat it..

The dumpster would have some cost and people would have to sign up to share it..

Maybe there would be a way to combine this with some socializing as people shopped through other people's junk, or with some neighborhood cleanup on the day we got the dumpster?

that's it.. hope you might have time to talk about this at a future meeting. liz  
I would help organize the VofA and the dumpster..