

GENERAL MEETING

Date: 5/12/11

Location: Blenheim Visitor Center

Attendance - Hildie Carney, Steve Caruso, Ernie Klimonda, Dia Pullen, Janice Miller, Laura Downey, Amy Levy, David Bauer, Kevin Plummer, Nancy and Allan Jones, ?, Toby Sorensen, Ellie Schmidt, Judy and Doug Fraser, Andrew Pachuta, Katie Baxter Gagen, Roman Pat, Leslie and Vera Daniels, Margarita Diaz, Patrice Winter and pup, Jennifer Passey

Secretary - Judy will be secretary for the next term.

Tres Report: \$6,056 total - \$1,243 restricted and \$4,812 unrestricted. Dia will be the next Tres.

Community Safety - keeping neighborhood informed on issues through the newsletter - next article on yard mowing - Laura is available to answer resident questions. If safety questions relate to emergency situations (storms...) contact Matt West.

Social - Jennifer has sent out a list of new ideas for the year. Just need some volunteers to coordinate. More events - more opportunities to ask for membership and \$.

Publications - next newsletter due in June. Jennifer Melton will be the next Publications coordinator.

Marketing - Hildie reminded all that asking workmen if they want to advertise is a good source of new revenue

Directory - any updates or changes - contact Toby

Membership - 2010 : 152 members 2011: 100 members to date AND 18 for 2012 already

Block Captains - introduction of Leslie Daniels as the new block captain

Civic Affairs - please contact Judy if interested in info from the HOA quarterly meetings. Jennifer Passey is the new Civic Affairs.

Comm Appearance - position open

Welcoming - turnover is around 15 homes per year - Ernie welcomes them all personally

Yahoo/Website - 200 households on yahoo - list is private - Ernie visits neighbors whose email bounces due to outdated email address on file. Website has a spot for the board members to personalize their info - please make an effort to complete your page! Also, remember to add contractor recommendations if you have been pleased with the results of work done at your house.

Historian - Amy Levy is the newest addition to this position. Steve Lesceure still needs to pass info to her. She would like to add a landscaping and renovation photo element to our history. Great idea!

President - thanks and good wishes from Hildie to the board!! Steve Caruso is next President.

Intro of David Bauer and his new project - Patriot Link. www.ThePatriotLink.com

Joint effort to pair social work and nursing students with seniors in the Fairfax City area - focusing on Social Interaction, Environmental Scans, Information and Referral, Debriefing and Feedback.

Assessments - \$25 to \$40 and 30 minute visits - \$20 to \$30 fee. Project is just getting underway - he could handle a few recommendations.

Induction of Newest Board Members

Janice Miller and Toby Sorensen spoke about city and county school system

Random Facts:

5 members elected for 2 year terms

City has four schools - Fairfax HS, Lanier, Daniels Run and Providence - about 3,000 students about 40% of students attending Fairfax and Lanier are city residents, 70% of Providence and 99% of Daniels Run

City pays tuition to Co for city students

County pays City rental on school building

City is to pay for all major capital improvements - Co has been favorable to City in deciding what constitutes "major"

City accounts for 1.5% of all County students - yet because most Co committees have 5 to 7 members - City has much higher representation %

Discipline: Resource officers (1 each at Fairfax and Lanier) and Security Admin

process - interview student about incident to determine if there is cause, suspend, case to central hearing office, probation (may involve involuntary transfer to another school, resolution may allow student to return to original school), possible appeal to school board

For 2009-2010 school year of the 177,000 students in system there were 636 expulsions and 11 expelled permanently without further services provided to student

The involuntary transfer issue has been a controversial subject of late - entire process being reviewed.

Some initial recommendations - more parental notification, more parental education on the process, reducing the time line of the process (getting the student back into educational environment quicker) and more education offered while the student is in the process, more intervention education, reevaluation of process when student has been caught with their own prescription medication, better data collection to determine recidivism patterns, exit survey for parents at the end of the process, provide implementation retraining of School Board. Other issues of concern - lack of parent involvement in first step of process (student interview) and process emphasizes treating every student exactly the same.

City School Board provides a newsletter - you can sign up for it on Facebook

Dia mentioned Country Hill Drive residents complaining about HS trespassers. The resident who complained had solved his problem by emailing a photo to the truant officer. Dia thought we should send out an email to other CH dr. residents to see if they were also had HS related issues.

Meeting was adjourned.