Minutes - December 10, 2008 BOD Meeting Attendance:

Katy Sidwell
Katie Baxter Gagen
Steve Caruso
John Sabo
Yanji Lama
Stephanie Uttenweiler
Ernie Klimonda
Steve Caruso
Dia Pullen

Yanji covered the 2008 real estate news for the neighborhood: houses sold ranged from a high of \$625,000 (extensive addition/renovation) to a low of \$350,000 (house had structural problems and the basement has never been finished). The median price was around \$460-475,000. 15 new families were welcomed this year.

Santa was scheduled for the following week with Steve Caruso and Clint Sidwell volunteering as drivers. This is the first year we have asked the parents to provide their own gifts for Santa to distribute, we will have some cookies as a back-up gift in case anyone forgets. Jill Toth did the scheduling of the visits and reminded the parents of the change in the confirmation email.

Holiday Decoration Contest will happen on the 21st at 7pm. Three categories are Original – Beautiful – and Traditional.

Progressive Dinner Party – would like to plan one in March – will discuss at next Board Meeting.

Our Daily Bread – Adopt a Family provided a \$75.00 gift card to Shoppers to add to the gift basket Providence ES collected for our family. We also purchased a \$200 VISA gift card and a \$100 Safeway card to donate for the Xmas holidays. A \$100 check came in after the cards had been delivered, this was given as a cash donation to ODB.

The next newsletter will be around early March with a submission date of mid Feb.

The next Board Mtg will be on Feb 4th at Yanji's house.

Ernie proposed we organize the advertising. Suggestions included sending out a rate sheet at the beginning of the year. This would require someone to volunteer to organize and orchestrate. We can advertise in 2009 for help with this project. Ernie also needs a invoice for Trinity for the advertising in the directory. Katy volunteered to create and forward to Ernie.

Ernie finished the directories – HUGE thanks to Ernie – you rock!

Block Captain report noted Amy Wise volunteered to help and that Chad could spend less on supplies if the captains recycled the materials back to him upon completion.

Tres Report – John Sabo reported the latest balances.

Commons – Need to have the city cut back the wooded area from the Commons.

Recycling issues/information was discussed.

Also discussed the idea of letting residents pay dues for 2 or 3 year periods. No firm decision was reached.