

# College Park Neighborhood Association, Inc.

Minutes-February 2, 2009  
College Park Community Center  
2393 Elizabeth Avenue, Orlando, FL 32804

Call to order 7:05 PM - Bob Carr Jr., President

## **In Attendance:**

President-Bob Carr Jr, Vice-President-Eben Self.; Treasurer - Monarcha Marcet; Secretary - Miles Hardy; Board members - Alana Brenner, Loren Ford, Cleave Frink, Michael Heavener, Bertie Hunt, Adrian La Sala, Bryan Labutta, Michael Norato, Jim Pruett, David Rose, Jodi Rubin, Bruce Thomas, Dena Wild and 8 members/visitors.

## **Commissioner's Corner:**

Commissioner Stuart was not in attendance.

## **Guest Speaker:**

Jodi Rubin presented a \$500 Michael Welborn grant to William Pylant of Lee Middle School. Mr. Pylant thanked the Association for its gift and its continued support over the years. He was happy to report that Lee Middle school achieved an 'A' rating from the State of Florida this year.

## **Minutes:**

Minutes of the regular meeting on January 5 and the special meeting on January 14 were approved.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

Monarcha Marcet presented the Treasurer's report for January. Monthly income was \$276.77 with expenses of \$2,761.15 for a balance of \$28,350.25.

## **President's Report:**

Bob Carr announced that the ground breaking ceremony for Edgewater High School renovation is scheduled to be held on March 4<sup>th</sup> at 10am.

On January 20<sup>th</sup> the Municipal Planning Board heard the Association's Position Statement on the Edgewater Drive Vision Taskforce Recommendations. The MPB agreed to accept the bullet points of the Taskforce recommendations but not accept the maps and diagrams related to Transect-based land management.

## **Old Business:**

**Motion:** A motion was proposed to award \$500 Michael Welborn grants to the remaining 3 public schools in College Park. The motion was adopted.

Bob Carr will contact the principal of Edgewater High School while Miles Hardy will contact the principals of Princeton and Lake Silver Elementary Schools. The presentation will occur at the March meeting of the Association.

## **New Business & Committee Reports:**

### **Gateway Sign Committee:**

Jorge Borrelli was not able to attend the meeting but telephoned the Treasurer to recommend that the current landscaper be retained at least temporarily until a more complete review can be made.

### **Easter Egg Hunt:**

Michael Norato will organize this year's Easter Egg Hunt in Albert Park. Date of the hunt will be

April 11. Contact Michael if you wish to assist in preparations. The whole board will help stuff candy into plastic eggs as has been the custom.

**Standing Committees:**

A discussion was conducted about the Associations standing committee but it was decided to postpone a more in-depth review until next month.

**Website Committee:**

Adrian presented the December/January Association Newsletter . In addition to placing newsletter in shops along Edgewater Drive a small number of newsletters will be mailed to members who have not provided email addresses. During the last year a number of valuable features have been implemented on the website. To name just a few, membership may be obtained or renewed online, directors may upload their own portraits, events are announced, reminders are broadcast, a calendar is available and meeting minutes and community news are available. A forum now serves as a platform for open discussions and College Park Neighborhood Association merchandise may be purchased.

The goal for the coming year is to provide more contact to the standing committees. Email addresses for the officers and for the standing committee chairpersons will be established to allow the membership and community better access to the Association.

The domain name 'CollegeParkOrlando.COM' is available and Adrian was authorized to obtain it for our the Association.

**Sunday in the Park:**

This year's celebration will be held on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. A discussion was held on the possibility of allowing Association members up to two (2) wrist bands for kiddy rides. This may have a positive impact on membership but may have a negative impact on event revenue. The exact outcome is too complex to predict but warrants a trial.

**Motion:** In order to encourage Association membership it was proposed that all existing members and newly joined members may receive to up to two (2) Sunday in the Park kiddy ride wrist bands. The motion was adopted.

**Adjournment:** 8:56 PM - Bob Carr, President

**Next meeting:**

Monday, March 2, 2009 at 7:00PM at the College Park Community Center.

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President - Bob Carr Jr.

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Secretary - Miles Hardy