

**McLean Hamlet Community Association
FINAL Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
January 7, 2017**

Board Members Present: Jeff Shivnen, Jack Nightingale, Michelle Blanton, Behram Shroff, Robyn Lighthammer, Jane Severn.

Board Members Absent: Tara Vold, Alan Holmer, Matt Tallent, Denys King

Chairpersons and Other Present: Barbara Allen

Administrative Business:

1. The meeting was opened in the home of Michelle at 7:35 pm.
2. The Agenda and December minutes (with minor edits) were approved.
3. **Treasurer's Report:** Jack briefed the board on the current Treasurer's report. Many new membership checks came in (over 30), possibly encouraged by the Luminaria distribution. Income for December was \$2700, with \$5811 in expenses (\$3,398.56 in total for luminaria alone.)
 - a. Side discussion ensued about our amazing volunteers and how to highlight their devotion and dedication to our neighborhood. Suggestions included recognizing them with a t-shirt and/or mug at the Annual Meeting in April.
The treasurer's report was approved. We have 301 paid memberships currently.
4. **President's Report:** Jeff reported on some emails from neighbors regarding the directory, members, and other. He reminded all board members to simply refer any and all neighbor concerns to him to address directly and personally.
5. **Membership Committee:** Jane noted our current record of 301 members - a recent high!
6. **Welcoming of New Residents:** Robyn welcomed a couple new families to the neighborhood; she gave an orchid to one family in lieu of wine, because she knew the family did not consume alcoholic beverages. Only positive responses have been received. Michelle also passed around two cards for board members to sign: One for a recently deceased member of the community, and a thank you card to Ahnya Barrer for her tireless efforts to keep the luminaria project continually successful year after year.
7. **Report of Transportation Committee:** Jeff shared a handout on a winter Meeting of the MCA regarding Transportation issues on January 26, at the Mclean Community Center at 7:30. Behram agreed that this particular speaker always comes well prepared, and it will be a meeting worth attending. Since the truck ban(s) were passed on Lewinsville Road (Dolley Madison to Spring Hill) and (Spring Hill to Route 7), board members responded that noise has significantly decreased since the ban began.
8. **What we are hearing from residents:** Barbara shared some of the Snow Meadow issues on entranceway landscaping.
9. **Other Business:**
 - a. Annual Meeting will be April 24th at Spring Hill Elementary School, Jeff will contact the school to reserve the cafeteria. (We potentially need a projector/access to the screen, in addition to a reception table, refreshment table, podium, and 100 chairs.)
 - b. Suggestions for a guest speaker at the annual meeting included asking a VDOT representative, a Public Safety representative, or other notable speaker to present.
 - c. The board decided to take the first Community Clean Up (Heavy Pick-up) date available, which would possibly be April 11th.
 - d. The Annual Yard Sale date was set for 20 May 2017. (Because of Memorial Day, the rain date may have to be June 3rd.)

- e. Flags will be put out for Memorial Day. Michelle needs to be reimbursed for the flag replaced due to theft and will follow up with Jack.
- f. Volunteers NEED to be solicited for the board and for other positions within the neighborhood. Jeff asked for ongoing suggestions and referrals.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm

Next Meeting is Monday, 6 February at Michelle's house at 7:30.

Michelle Blanton
Secretary
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