

Monthly Board Meeting – Minutes Tuesday, January 15, 2019 at 7 p.m. 1816 North Flower (Tracey Stein's Home)

Board Members: President Ed Murashie

First Vice President Julie Humphreys Second Vice President Chris Switzer Co-Second Vice President Nanci Zinngrabe Secretary **Angel Barnes** Treasurer Rich Heider Erik Hernandez Parliamentarian Co-Parliamentarian Ellen Koldewey **Communications Director Tracey Stein Social Director** Tammy Heider Membership Director **David Buster** Home Tour Director Sandy DeAngelis

**General Board Meeting Call to Order** – The January FPNA Board Meeting was called to order at 7:16 pm. With the exception of Julie, all the above members attended.

**Approval of November Minutes** – Sandy DeAngelis moved to approve the November Minutes; Tracey seconded; all were in favor.

## **Public Comments -**

No members of the public attended this meeting.

## **Secretary** – Angel Barnes

**Correspondence received** in December and January included solicitations from the Camp Pendleton YMCA, the El Sol Foundation, Taller San Jose, Wise Place and the Santa Ana College Foundation which will be forwarded to the Sponsorship Chairman. A January 10th *Application for Community Table* was received from the Heritage Museum of Orange County seeking a table at our Home Tour. A copy was given at this meeting to the Home Tour Director. The Application also included information on volunteer opportunities at their museum.

**Funds received** included three **gold**-level **membership donations** received: from Matthew & Nicole Kantelis on North Park, Steve & Kathy Cooper on Flower, and Dean Guzman & Aldo Gonzalez on Riverside which were forwarded to the Membership Chairman in early December.

A **silver**-level membership donation was recently received from Peter & Diana Christoffersen on Heliotrope which was forwarded to the Membership Chairman at this Board meeting.

### **President** – Ed Murashie

Ideas for the next General Membership Meeting were sought. It will take place on March 28 by which time Santa Ana will have a new City Manager. The Board agreed that he should be invited to come introduce himself and speak to us. OCTA will also be invited to come speak regarding the proposed I-5 toll lane. Ed will approach Rancho Santiago College regarding the use of their meeting room.

New City Councilman for Ward Two, David Penaloza, has asked to attend our next Board Meeting.

### **1st VP Scholarship and Sponsorship** – Julie Humphreys (in absentia through her Committee Report)

The applications and cover letters for Santa Ana high school and junior college students vying for scholarships have been sent to those schools and posted on the FPNA website. The deadline for submitting completed applications (either by mail or electronically) is Friday, March 22. She will solicit committee members and schedule the first Scholarship Committee meeting in late March.

## **2nd VP – Beautification Committee** – Chris Switzer and Nanci Zinngrabe

The Committee will trim and fertilize the roses and snapdragons this month at our Exits and Entrances. A major clean up and planting will occur at Sarah Mae Downie Park before the Home Tour

The Legacy Walk Ceremony there was very well-attended. We will contact FPNA's handyman, when the installation of new Legacy pavers is needed. No new Heart Stones have been placed since the last meeting. The big redwood in Sarah Mae Downey Park is dying and may need removal.

The Beautification Committee's Tree Maintenance Project Subcommittee, Angel Barnes and Ellen Koldewey, addressed and received approval by the General Membership in November for a 2019 reforestation budget of up to \$27,300, for the purchase and planting of new trees in our neighborhood parkway (i.e. curbs) and medians which Santa Ana's Public Works Agency, after review by its Certified Arborist, deemed appropriate for planting. PWA also designated the most appropriate species and size of each tree for each site.

Curb trees will only be planted if the homeowners want them, limited to one tree per home (unless a 2<sup>nd</sup> is wholly paid for by the homeowner). Consent forms were distributed in early December to all the homes eligible and Ellen and Angel followed up with those who had not signed and returned the form by the early January deadline. The signed consents *included* the property owner's agreement to water their new curb tree. No property owner consents were needed for median trees.

The goal is to finish tree planting during the cool winter months. This week FPNA placed an order with PWA requesting purchase of six median and 17 curb trees at a cost about \$7,000 under our authorized total. PWA will now begin working with West Coast Arborists (WCA) on securing these trees and setting up a planting schedule and possible pre-inspection of trees if they are from a local nursery. PWA will advise us of its planting schedule. FPNA will then be provided with an invoice from PWA.

We will continue to monitor neighborhood trees, median and entryway **irrigation** of all trees and foliage, and provide PWA educational bulletins to residents as needed on how to keep our trees alive while conserving water.

## Treasurer's Report – Rich Heider

Although a \$600 invoice for the Legacy wall was received this week, the FPNA's 12/31/2018 Operating Account balance revealed that, thanks to the Board's efforts and careful spending, and the support and participation of our neighbors, net Income for the year was \$10,000 over budget. Rich prepared and distributed an exhaustive ten-page year-end financial report.

## Membership - David Buster

In the past 60 days Dave has personally greeted eight new homeowners, leaving about 6 more new neighbors to visit. The new license plates for gifting to them arrived shortly after Christmas. They were shown to us at the Board meeting and exceeded our expectations.

As of 12/17/18 Membership Committee donations were \$10,050.00. The Walk of Lights was a huge success. The next Mixer will likely be in March with selection of the home to be finalized.

# Social Committee - Tammy Heider

December's Holiday Party was very well attended and amply staffed, thanks to a group of high school students who volunteered their afternoon to us in exchange for community credit.

A new Santa and Mrs. Claus greeted the children at "the Castle", thanks to the new homeowners who kindly let us use their house for Santa to carry on our tradition. Thanks also to Sandy DeAngelis for the heaps of snow that always delight the kids. For the first time this year an OCSA High School student, Zoey Boyd, sang carols on the sleigh rides.

The 2019 Social Events Calendar thus far contains Friday, February 22 for National Margarita Day, Saturday May 4 for Cinco de Mayo (possibly May 5 itself depending on the home to be selected), Saturday June 29 for Freedom Fest and Saturday December 7 for the Holiday Party. The Committee will meet some time in February to discuss potential dates for reverting to a separate Heliotrope Concert and Chili Cook-off.

# Parliamentarians – Erik Hernandez and Ellen Koldewey

The By Laws Committee met on Wednesday, January 9 at Erik's house. In attendance were Bev, Ellen, Tammy, and Erik. The Constitution and Standing Rules were reviewed and their recommended changes and comments will be presented to the Board for its review at its February meeting.

# Home Tour – Sandy DeAngelis

Our 27<sup>th</sup> annual Home Tour will take place on Saturday and Sunday, April 27 and 28 from 10 am to 4 pm. The first 2019 Home Tour Meeting is this Thursday, January 17. There are five houses and two gardens thus far. The buyers of Susan and Ashley's home on Victoria Drive have replanted their yard and may become our third garden.

The Home Tour Committee members working on the Beer & Wine Garden plan to make it a hugely successful fundraiser since they hope to have all the wine donated. A case of excellent wine can be donated by any neighbor for \$120 and a few cases have been promised by others. It will operate from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. both days; the site has not yet been designated.

A new feature this year will be a lavish black-tie, catered Home Tour Kick Off cocktail party on Friday night, April 26, 2019. The cost will be \$100 per person with **all** net proceeds going for scholarships. The affair will be limited to the first 100 people who RSVP and will not include entry to the Home Tour.

The Home Tour Committee met with Families of Floral Park regarding FOFP's request to have a stand at home tour, and its desire to raise funds at our other events. Accordingly, FOFP asked the Board to consider three requests. Rich made the motion and Erik seconded.

- That an FOFP Representative can attend our Board meetings, and speak briefly during the Open Forum segment. His or her attendance will not be mandatory, and the attendee need not be an Officer/Director of FOFP.
  - The Board concurred that no special permission need be given for this, since any member of the public is invited to attend an FPNA Board Meeting and is permitted up to three minutes for questions or comments.
- That FPNA include the dates of FOFP meetings and activities on our FPNA Google Calendar. In turn, FOFP will provide our Board with monthly written reports reflecting their activities or plans to avoid the scheduling of FPNA and FOFP events on the same day.
  - No one on the Board had any objection to this, thus, it was approved.
- That FOFP can have fund raisers at the FPNA-Sponsored Events such as the Chile Cook Off, Independence Day, Home Tour and Fall Concert.
  - This was also approved by the Board but Mixers are excluded since they are in private homes. Further, National Margarita Night and Cinco De Mayo are not FPNA-sponsored events. It is further understood that FOFP will be wholly responsible for applying for any permits it may need, and it will seek no funds, equipment, linens, tables, or chairs from FPNA.

### **Communications** - Tracey Stein

The Communications Committee consists of Mason Nakamura, Erik Hernandez, David Buster, Tammy Heider and Ed Power. Their goals for 2019 include updating the FPNA website faster and reviewing the look and efficiency of the new E-blast. Additionally, they are planning an outreach to neighborhood businesses for sponsorships.

Production Calendar - Articles are due for the Winter Newsletter by this Friday, January 18 with a draft to the Board anticipated on January 23. The Newsletter will likely be forwarded to the

Printer on January 25. Distribution to the neighborhood is expected to begin the week of February 4. Features therein will include the Legacy Award winners, confirmation that the 2019 Budget was approved, a re-cap of the Holiday Party, the Holiday Lights Contest winners, as well as a re-cap of the Walk of Lights and a Calendar of Events. The Parliamentarians asked Tracey to include the date and place of the March General Meeting.

# **Approval of the Board Reports**

Motion to approve the Board reports was made by Chris and seconded by Tracey; all were in favor.

## **New Business**

Future board meeting dates and locations – All

#### **Calendar of Future Events**

February 19<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting at Chris's home at 7 p.m. - 2462 No. Riverside Drive

February 22<sup>nd</sup> National Margarita Night – sight TBA

March 19, 2019 - Board Meeting at Angel's house at 7 p.m.- 2006 No. Victoria Drive

March 28, 2019 – General Meeting – site TBA.

April 16, 2019 - Board Meeting at Nanci's house at 7 p.m. - 407 West Santa Clara Ave.

May 4<sup>th</sup> or 5th, 2019 - Cinco de Mayo – site TBA.

May 21, 2019 - Board Meeting at Eric and Dave's house at 7 p.m. - 2301 No. Flower

June 18, 2019 Board Meeting at Tammy & Rich's house at 7 p.m. - 1808 No. Flower

June 29, 2019 Freedom Fest

Motion to adjourn at 8:29 p.m. was made by Sandy and seconded by Erik – all were in favor.