

NORTH SHOAL CREEK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING
August 24, 2009

The regularly scheduled North Shoal Creek Neighborhood Association board meeting was called to order by President Jeff Russell at 6:35p.m. at the Austin North Village Branch Library on August 24, 2009. Board members present were: Cheri Hartman, Claudel Migl, Helene Maham, Ken Moyer, Lynda Oakes, Jeff Russell.

With no objection, the agenda for the board meeting was adopted.

The minutes of the June 24, 2009 board meeting were approved.

The Treasurer, Helene Maham, reported a bank account balance of \$5,028.10 The traffic calming CD/account balance is \$30,754.07 as of July 31, 2009.

The July 4th Parade was discussed, and it was deemed a success.

By consent, a motion was made and adopted to invite Sherran Williams to fill a vacant board position.

By consent, a motion was made and adopted to approve up to \$100 for the September 8 safety meeting.

After discussion, the 2009 Nomination Committee Guidelines were adopted (and are attached). Sample Nomination Committee Questions were also approved to help start the Nomination Committee.

Reinstallation of the neighborhood watch sign on Steck Ave near Daleview was discussed. Chip Rosenthal is leading the effort.

The proposed agenda for the September 1 general meeting was discussed. Ken Moyer will preside over the meeting.

Announcements:

- The APD District Representative will attend the September 8 safety meeting.
- On 9/14 the Beautification Committee will host a Grow Green workshop at the library

No further business coming before the meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30p.m.

Submitted by,



Jeff Russell, President
Approved: Nov 16, 2009

2009 Nomination Committee Guidelines

(For the January 2010 Annual Meeting)

The Nominating Committee was elected at the September 1, 2009 General Meeting. The members are:

Kate Brien
Juliette Kernion
Helene Maham
Lynda Oakes
Sandy Perkins

The goal for the upcoming January 2010 election is to present a nomination list that is inclusive and informative about each candidate.

1. The committee should accept all members who show an interest in being nominated, meet any defined requirements (such as those in the bylaws), and who complete the requested tasks on time (such as answering any prepared questionnaire).
2. The committee shall communicate to the board of directors the list of any individuals not selected for nomination, including the reasons.
3. The committee should prepare a short list of questions to serve as a guide for each nominee to write a short candidate statement.
4. The committee will assemble a set of short candidate statements from each candidate for publication in the Fall newsletter (Nov. 1 deadline).

Tentative Timeline

Mon, Sept. 21	Meeting to organize (Library, 6:30pm). Topics: determine dateline, candidate questionnaire, start nominee list.
Oct 15	Solicit statements from candidates
Sun, Nov 1	Questionnaires due from candidates
Wed, Nov 4	Deliver statements to newsletter editor
Fall Newsletter (mid November)	Publish nomination list and statements.
Annual Meeting	Official nominees introduced prior to elections per Bylaws.

2009 Nomination Committee Questions

(For the January 2010 Annual Meeting)

This is the starting point for the nominees to write a candidate statement.

Board of Directors Overview

The business of North Shoal Creek Neighborhood Association (NSCNA) is supervised by the board of directors, consisting of four officers and seven other general board members. On average, the time commitment is 2-3 hours per month for either a board meeting or a general membership meeting.

The board is responsible for most “business” decisions, compared to policy decisions that are best made at a general meeting. This includes setting the schedule for general meetings, determining a budget, and generally staying on top of activities. Board meetings typically consist of updates from active committees and decisions on any action that needs to be taken. At the beginning of each year, the budget is approved.

Besides attending board meetings, members are asked to help out as a first-line volunteer. Events like the July Fourth parade or activities like figuring out a budget need helpers, and board members are needed who can step forward and help when needed.

The last, and probably most important, requirement of a potential board member is to be open minded and neighborly. The board is a diverse group of volunteers that make decisions for NSCNA. Some issues require compromise, for example dividing a meager budget between committees. Having a friendly debate over a proposal can be both enjoyable and educational.

Elections

At the January 2010 meeting, each nominee will be introduced by the Election Committee. The Election Committee will conduct an election for each position, asking for floor nominations. A ballot election will be held of each contested position. This means the directors are elected to individual places, instead of one big “pick seven” election. In a typical year, candidates are not contested.

Candidate Summary Statement

Please briefly respond to the following questions in a few paragraphs. All the candidate statements will be gathered into one publication for distribution to the membership.

This statement is due by November 1, 2009.

1. Where do you live, and how long have you lived in the neighborhood?
2. What is your past involvement (if any) in NSCNA?
3. What things should be a priority for NSCNA?
4. What committees do you want to be involved in?
Current committees: Membership (new), Media, Bylaws, Beautification, Development, Safety, Social, Traffic, Nominating (in Fall), Election (for Jan meeting)
5. What do you want the membership to know about you?