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**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Thursday 11/16/2023**  
**In-Person at Gully's Home and Virtual meeting (Zoom)**

**Minutes**

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**President Josh Conrad started the meeting at 6:30 p.m.**

**Announcements and News**

- Next Board meeting is scheduled for 12/21/23 at 6:30pm
- Josh proposed to move the General Membership Meeting from January 2 to Tuesday, January 9, 2023.

**Minutes**

- Hearing no edits, the October meeting minutes were approved by acclamation.

**Treasurer's Report**

- John shared the budget report via email. He reported we are running somewhat low on cash. We have \$500 in the checking account and might need to dip into savings if we incur expenses beyond this amount. We are under budget for 2023, but we have upcoming expenses of \$300 budgeted for Luminaria and the fee for the Dreamhost website service, for which \$250 is budgeted. Josh shared his understanding that dipping into the money market fund has occurred in the past. John will transfer money to ensure we do not overdraw the checking account.

**Current Activities and Topics**

- Kat shared that Pillow Elementary will not allow a storage pod on their campus. We discussed renting a storage unit on Buell.
- Josh shared he is meeting with Michael Barnes, local historian with the Statesman to write a story on NSCNA.

**Nominating Committee Report**

- Betsy shared that we are still looking to find a nominee for President.
- Josh will write up an outline about the role of President to clarify the scope of the role.
- Josh recommends the committee send out another email requesting nominees for President including Josh's role description.

### **Membership Committee Report**

- No updates

### **Development Committee Report**

- No updates

### **Media Committee Report**

- No updates

### **Social Committee Report**

- Ayesha and Kat reported on upcoming events:
  - *First Annual Fall Bake Sale* 11/17/23 2:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. and 11/18/23 10 a.m. - 1pm.
    - Ayesha created a flyer with a QR code created via PayPal that was distributed to all Pillow families. John dropped off cash to make change. Kat has received a lot of donations and will also have small gifts for sale.
  - *Luminaria*, 12/14/23 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
    - Social committee met Sunday to plan the event.
    - To dos include: purchase 200 white sandwich bags, dry sand from Lowe's, and hot chocolate and cookies from Lowe's or Sam's Club, provide bags to Suzie Swingle, art teacher, immediately after Thanksgiving. Ayesha has two carafes from Barbara and will get cookies from Costco and will wrap them individually for distribution.
    - Lighting: 3 camping lanterns, table string light and extra tea lights on table
    - Ayesha will create a sign to gather donations for those who would like to give to NSCNA
    - Josh will send in the application for Luminaria and Kat to confirm if we can use the kitchen to prepare the hot cocoa and request to borrow two large tables. Kat will put up a photo booth. Ayesha will market the event with flyer via Facebook, email.

### **Beautification Committee Report**

- Josh reported on the following:
  - Seeding day with North Shoal Creek Conservancy on Sunday, November 12.
  - New proposal under development led by Maggie Kingsbury. Her neighbor, Brandon Dady, landscape project manager, is putting together a plan for rehabbing the corner Allendale Estates sign lot and may include a new neighborhood sign. More details coming soon.

### **Garden Committee Report**

- No updates

**Traffic Committee Report**

- No updates

**Safety Committee Report**

- Gully recently tested an emergency preparedness technique and shared that he was able to successfully power his flash heated hot water heater using a Riobe battery pack.
- Kat suggested we reach out to the city to inquire if there are disaster preparedness supplies we can provide to neighbors.
- Deborah suggested sending out an email to inquire if those with generators would be willing to opt in to share their power/offer warming, etc, with neighbors in the event of a power outage.
- Josh suggested we may have disaster preparedness block captains.

**By-laws Committee Report**

- No updates

**Hearing no further business, Josh adjourned the meeting at 7:59 p.m.**

