

**Combination of NANA Executive and General Board Meeting Minutes** for November 14, 2023 at NAM Cafeteria

Meeting called to order by Sarah Koucky at 6:30 pm.

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from October 3 (Executive Board meeting) and October 10, 2023 (General Board Meeting) were approved. No discussion.

**Rec Center Report:** Bobbie – new CCD @ North Avondale Rec Center. CRC Foundation is having a fundraiser for all rec centers. Scan QR code and choose North Avondale Rec Center. You can donate till December 31<sup>st</sup>. Looking for funding for Walking Trail. Will put QR code on Facebook sight for NANA. Looking for funding for Walking Trail. New dugouts on baseball field had funding from something else. New sign was supposed to be part of CBR funding and new water fountain has been installed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sandesh Samdaria – got financials out by email – this is to be done each month. Bank accounts have \$75,000 – about the same as last month. Discussion about reports but most had not reviewed yet. Will table till next time.

**SKY Program:** Will likely happen on MLK Day in January of 2024. Question about reaching out to other neighborhoods if we can't fill the class. Suggestions that Paddock Hills and Avondale could be approached to see if anyone is interested. Possibly Norwood and Clifton too. Discussion about asking kids for money up front (about \$15-20) and give it back at the end of class in order to maximize chance of the kids completing all classes.

**Beautification:** Bridget McComas – Bridget is co-chairing with Jennifer Harten. Would like to look at having events. Invasive Species Removal for the winter. Spring looking at doing a garden clean-up. Summer would be garden up-keep and include some education with this. In fall, putting garden spaces to bed and education. Currently have 20 people to call on to volunteer. Created a flyer for social media and to put in rec center. Contact Bridget with any ideas.

**District 4 Report:** Down on shootings in the district. Picked up some other areas due to city redistricting. This might increase the numbers of crimes. Officer Crutcher will still be in our area.

**Zoning:** Walter Koucky – NA has been allocated a spot with the city for doing a master plan. Walter outlined the progress of activities prior to completing master plan. Art Deco building on Reading is for sale. There was some discussion about finding a way for NANA to purchase this.

**NABA:** Maura Wolf – Meeting scheduled November 28<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm at Rec Center. Have Business District Support funds of about \$3,700 that they will be deciding what to use this for. New banners have been put up on Clinton Springs and Reading. And there are more banners available.

**Luminary** will be on December 10<sup>th</sup>. Money is being collected and material will be distributed in early December.

Old Business: Wasson Way Dedication in Avondale is December 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am, Blair Court and want North Avondale to participate. This will be on Blair Court. Sarah will put it in the form of an article on the website.

**Fundraising Letter** is off to the printer. QR Code takes you to a pie chart which shows income and expenses.

**New Business:** Sandesh is doing a food drive. Please drop off non-perishable food at his home.

**Multicultural Holiday Party** – Dawn Johnson presented 2 options for what food to serve. There was an offer to have it at the community room at the Belvedere. It was decided that if it was available, that's where it will be. Need to make people welcome so that more will attend. Can drop off flyers. Holiday party funding for \$2,000 was approved.

**Reverend Valdesia Merrick:** Wants to have the street on the corner of Reading Road and Avondale to become Shirley Merrick Way. Valdesia discussed how important her mother was to the community and asked for NANA's support. This was approved.