

GPNA Board meeting minutes: February 5th, 2013

APPROVED

Board members present: Ron Laster, Christine Hyde, Geoff Hyde, Katie Davenport, Alice Gray Gregory, Ken Petersen, and Cliff Gibbs

Board members absent: Brian Cefola, Justin deRuyter, Mary Cal Hanson, Stephanie Henstead

Other attendees: Lee Perlman from The Hollywood Star, Jane Comeault new GP resident

1. Introductions

Everyone introduced themselves

2. Approval of Agenda

Agenda overwhelmingly approved

3. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from 12/4/2012 overwhelmingly approved

4. Upcoming officers elections

Ron initiated discussion on officer elections coming in spring and asked if any interest.

Ron also raised the question of difference between being elected to the board and being appointed to board.

Not much discussion; this topic to be carried over at next April meeting.

Alice Gray committed to treasury slot for one year; and will not continue as Treasurer.

Alice Gray suggests changing GPNA's bank account to a true local bank such as Albina or Umpqua on Fremont. Discussed pros and cons to changing banks. Currently there is one signature on checking account. Cliff suggested deferring this topic until there's a new Treasure on the board. Motion to table change in bank; Ken second; approved.

5. Meeting frequency

Ron initiated discussion about the schedule and frequency of general and board meetings as well as his concern about notice to the general membership. Some of the points and comments made by those present:

- Neighbors didn't know about tonight's meeting; they were waiting to get a newsletter.
- Ron feels too much reliance in the past on awareness of meetings via newsletter.
- Bylaws mandate one general meeting.
- Discussion on potential meeting frequency couple with newsletter frequency.
- Keep the strict regimentation of a meeting schedule.
- Board meeting is supposed to address NA business and collectively plan the newsletter, suggest topics and speakers for upcoming general meetings. Current schedule doesn't allow for planning general meeting that night and newsletter.
- How to satisfy the concern for having a pre meeting?
- Ken indicated Sullivan's Gulch meetings monthly with about the same # of attendees as GPNA.

Cliff made motion to table discussion about meeting and newsletter frequency until the next meeting.
Motion seconded and unanimously approved.

BOARD MEETING ADJOURNED 7:24 PM