TPNA Steering Committee Minutes 1608 Glenwood Ave SE October 9, 2006

**Members in attendance:** Carol Knutson, Daniel Goldman, Debbie Dixon, Donna Thorkildson, Kathy Shangula, Laura Silbernagel, Marina Parr, Richard Thorkildson, Sue Dahlberg. **Members absent:** Jody Collins, Rosemary Quesenberry. **Others in attendance:** Frances Goldman.

Daniel Goldman called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

Approval of the Minutes: The meeting minutes of September 14, were approved as written.

Secretary Position: With daughter's wedding, parents relocating to Seattle area, other responsibilities, Jody declines to continue as Secretary. She'll stay on the Steering Committee. Kathy Shangula agreed to take over as Secretary.

## Introductions: For members not previously attending

Marina introduced herself, currently with Renton Realty and in the neighborhood for about 20 years. She has prior experience with a small homeowner's association and her concerns are around aesthetics of the community.

Laura Silbernagel, 13 year resident, would like to see more youth activities for her grandchildren, meet other neighbors and properties kept clean. Laura has been a member of the garage sale committee for the past 4 years. Debbie introduced herself, an employee of Windermere real estate she has been in the neighborhood for about 5 years. No real concerns or complaints within the area she resides.

**Treasurer's report:** Treasurer's Report: 200.00 balance in checking account, Washington Mutual. Expenses to date: 30.00 for business checks. 28 dues paying members to date. (missing name, suggested note in newsletter)

Issue: may need to consider replacement Vice President due to Rosemary's travel schedule. Sue nominated Frances, however concern was raised regarding relationship with the President as well as the role of VP would be to lead during absence of President. In this case, an absence of Daniel would most likely mean an absence of Frances. Frances suggested Sue.

Membership campaign. Daniel shared a membership form and this can be distributed throughout neighborhoods or at local activities, church, etc.

Membership Cards. Richard printed out 90 sheets of the membership card that approved at our last meeting. Sue noted that the date on the card was '08. This would means that the \$5.00 fee would cover over a 2-year period and this will impact our funds and a loss of 14 months of potential income. Dan will review minutes to see if previous discussion of this. We will probably change the date to cover one-year period.

McLendon's - Carol talked to Craig Holmes at McLendon's/Seattle Lumber. An example of the discout card was given to her and shown at the meeting. Carol mentioned certain exclusions (power tools, yard power equipment, sale, clearance and special orders). A 5% discount will be give on lumber and building materials. Craig will be sending her a full set of discount cards for supporting members in the coming weeks.

Garage sale report. Laura reported that they collected more money than was spent. Participation was as good as previous years. Signage - 50 signs were placed throughout the neighborhood. Daniel asked what might be needed for next year's sale. If including the entire neighborhood, Laura proposed that we may need another 50 signs (if no homes participating, there are no signs on the street). Sue proposed a map of homes and less street signage. Richard suggested that the item for a kiosk, later in the agenda, may help address this issue. Somehow need to simplify the setup and tear down tasks. Concern raised regarding residents that put out a garage sale without paying for participation. Laura noted that Donna did watch out for that type of activity.

Motion presented by Donna, seconded by Daniel, and approved: earmark a line item now for anticipated '07 garage sale expenses. Sue motioned raising the price of participation.

Committee Reports.

Zoning and traffic. Kathy reported that there has been a successful removal of appliances, old furniture and piles of trash that had been left in a driveway for over a period of 3-weeks. This was next door to Nancy Monahan, who asked for help. She also reported that an issue related to rats has been addressed by the County health department through a letter to all homeowners to clean up their properties. Sue further explained the rat infestation is due to some occupants of homes raising chickens and other livestock which are not allowed in residential neighborhood on less than 1-acre parcels. Daniel brought up a noise issue with motorcycles that needs to be addressed. The plan might be to capture license plates and report them to city police.

Regarding health issues - Carol reported that rats have been sighted several times at the rabbit breeder's house. She contacted the city regarding a possible health hazard. He has cleaned up his yard somewhat and is now downsizing.

Crime committee. Daniel is seeking a committee leader to 1) work with city leaders 2) maintain an awareness of local statistics and report back to this committee and 3) work issues such as graffiti. Sue and Marina volunteered to be a member of the Crime committee and Debbie accepted the role of Crime Committee Chair. Richard noted that when we do begin clean efforts he'd like to bring in the scouts and other youth to help.

Youth Committee. Donna noted that a meeting of the Youth Committee will be held within the next couple of week.

Newsletter Committee. Grant received. Carol, Laura, Pam, Helen current members, Laura will be having a meeting this week. The initial newsletter will highlight the TPNA including our purpose, goals, and leadership, the g-sale, the picnic and a little bit of fun. The first distribution will be done by hand with volunteer distributors identified to specific areas and streets. Content will be submitted and approved through the Steering Committee. The Newsletter committee will be responsible for the editing, formatting, converting to pdf and web publishing. Sue will ask her daughter Heidi if she'd like to participate on the newsletter committee. At the first committee meeting later this week, we'll address identification of a Chair, the need to define a plan, publishing schedule and supporting processes for submitting and approving articles for inclusion. Goal is to publish the first newsletter within the next 3 weeks, with the next one released 1st quarter '07.

Kiosk Grant to City - this issue is currently on hold until we have plan a place and then we'll submit the paperwork for a grant.

Ginger Creek Park Grant - was submitted by Roger Knutson in the amount of \$858.15. Matching funds were \$870 (\$720/volunteer hours at \$16/hr PLUS \$150-allowable application preparation).

Carol mentioned she noticed a street without a street sign.

Next Meeting: 2nd Monday in December, 12/11/06, 7 pm, 1608 Glenwood

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Action items:

- 1. Carol finish up getting McLendon's discount
- 2. Dan most text for first newsletter
- 3. Debbie contact Renton police officers for crime cmt
- 4. Donna have first meeting of youth cmt
- 5. Donna paragraph or two about picnic for newsletter
- 6. Everyone contact dan if interested in being VP
- 7. Laura set up first newsletter meeting
- 8. Laura paragraph or two about garage sale for newsletter

9. Richard - finalize membership cards

Note:

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Dave Beedon TPNA secretary