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Minutes

Astor Neighborhood Association, Inc. – Monday, February 20, 2017 – 6:00 PM
First EV. Lutheran Church 743 S. Monroe Ave. Green Bay WI

1. Roll Call

Present: Ron Dehn, Pres.; Jennifer Lenz, V. Pres.; Pastor Paul Schleis, Sec./Treas.; Katie Houle, Nicole Vartanian, Eric Vandeveld, Deby Dehn

Absent (excused): Debbie Dhein

Invited Guests

Officer Paul Van Handel (exc.), Alderman Bill Galvin (exc.), County Supervisor Erik Hoyer (absent)

2a. Approval of Meeting Minutes – January 2017 Meeting

2b. Treasurer’s Report / Bills

M/S/C to approve the January 2017 minutes and the February 2017 treasurer’s report.

3. Announcements, Committee Reports and Special Guests

a. Update from Officer Paul Van Handel (absent, excused)

b. Update from City/County Representatives (absent)

c. GBPS Board of Education: Tom Hoh (Exec. Director of Secondary Education, Mike Stangel (Exec. Director of Facilities) presented about the April 04 school district referendum. Two questions: an operational referendum of \$16.5M, and \$68.25 for construction referendum. Part of the 10 year plan, nonrecurring. Claim it would be no tax rate increase, as old debt would be paid down. Claim that GB is below state and large district average, and these referenda would bring GB to state average. Claim there’s been a 6 year pattern of underfunding from the state. Act 10 changes in 2011-2012. If no changes, project an \$18M in next school year, with 150 staff reductions (80% budget is staffing).

Facilities needs: overcrowding (mostly on east side of GB), safety and security, adequate and appropriate spaces. Baird school replacement is key. Want the 4k and 5k students to return to neighborhood schools.

NOTE: this was a 40 min. presentation, with a few questions asked.

d. Newsletter: Jennifer. Came out last week. Articles now needed for spring newsletter: wine tasting recap, Easter egg hunt on April 15, city band and popcorn stand, rummage sale.

4. Old Business

a. Wine Tasting, final numbers: about \$800 profit. Fewer people, fewer baskets, less food than last year. Many requests for a summer event (beer garden?), and people would open their yards for an event. Ron has collected the names of those who offered.



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One incident of a latecomer paying \$50 for six people. In the future, stick to a set price, and \$5 extra at the door.

b. GBCLI classes on Saturday March 4th: Leadership classes in morning and afternoon. 8am-3pm. \$10/person in advance, optional 1.5 hr. bus tour. ANA will reimburse any board members that attend.

5. New Business

a. Motion to write mini-grant for “If Homes Could Talk” (Must be in our minutes to be applied for).

M/S/C to have Deby Dehn apply for a “If Homes Could Talk” mini-grant from the city of Green Bay for the ANA.

b. Any interest from board members to be on the If Homes Could Talk committee? Also, neighborhood volunteers would be welcome. Contact Ron and Deby, if interested.

c. Annual meeting: Mon., March 20, 6:30 PM, in First Lutheran basement. ANA board meets briefly beforehand, at 6:00 PM. We provide free chili and root beer from Titledown Brewery (Pastor Schleis will arrange). Guest speaker: Brown Co. Historical Society Christine Dunbar. The GBPS referendum presentation would take too long, but we would distribute their materials.

d. Astor Nextdoor blog is growing quickly. Can use for more immediate notifications.

Adjourn, 7:30 PM.

Our next ANA Board Meeting will be Monday March 20th, 6 PM. Annual meeting at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Pastor Paul Schleis, secretary