

FINAL  
Bel Air Neighborhood Board Meeting  
1830 W. Glenrosa Ave.  
November 5, 2012 6:30 p.m.

**Call to Order:** 6:35 pm

**Attendance:** Jeanne Greene, Sharon Bushouse, Wayne Harmon, Mike Radtke, Virginia Anders, Melanie Thomson Legendre, and GUEST: Jeff Falk (new neighbor)

**I. Review of bylaws** – Everybody has a copy of the bylaws already. Pick one item you would like to see addressed. Make your comments at the December meeting. Mike suggested each of us pick two item in case you duplicate the one another board member chooses.

- a. **Review and approve minutes** Remove “Draft” and save the September meeting minutes as Final. The October minutes are posted on the website.

**II. New Business - Committees**

**III. Community Enhancement – Jeanne** – The GAIN event involved thirty adults and ten or more children. Some neighbors used the shredder and then left. Jeanne worried that people come for the food, not for the information. We hadn’t thought about outdoor lighting, so next year we need to have it a couple of hours earlier. The police arrived late, and the fire truck never arrived, due to scheduling conflicts.

**IV. Christmas luminarias:** Last year we put out 1,200 of them. Unless we get enough volunteers this year, we will reduce the number of luminarias we put out.

**V. Crime Prevention:** Virginia, Sharon, and Dan haven’t patrolled for awhile, due to scheduling and other issues. Sharon B is walking the canal by herself and has e-mailed Officer Stevens on several issues, but those do not count as PNP hours because they don’t meet the requirements. Jeanne urged the two to find time to patrol by PNP rules.

**VI. Block Watch Grant Committee:** We can include requests in next year’s BlockWatch grant money to pay for services and items for the GAIN event such as: paper shredding services, street blockades, supplemental lighting, and a microphone set-up.

**VII. 2013 meetings:** We will schedule our three major neighborhood meetings for February, May, and the GAIN event, besides the monthly board meetings.

**VIII.** There is \$8,565 left on the current grant. We paid for the neighborhood event insurance through the Bowman agency with \$400 from the BlockWatch grant, and another \$200 from the BelAir account.

**IX. Newsletter/Website Committee:** Virginia said the October/November newsletter went out to Copy Works today. Jeanne reminded her that she was going to send it to the board before it went to the publisher. Virginia said she will send it to the board tonight, and email Copy Works to hold on the newsletter publishing until the board has commented on it.

**X. Treasurers Report – Mike Radtke** – Mike moved the expense of the \$175.00 set aside for the purchase of Microsoft Publisher issue be closed. Juanita bought it as a faculty member through Phoenix College, and spent only \$109.00 on the Microsoft Office University 2010 suite of programs. The balance of \$66.00 will be returned to the general fund. Sharon seconded the motion. The board approved the motion.

- i. How do we thank people for the donations to the Community Garden? The board will write a check to the newsletter as if it were an ad.
  - ii. Mike cautioned Virginia that we need to have an accounting for every ad placed in an edition of the newsletter.
- XI. **Old Business:** Carrie is the owner of the website, and the co-administrator with Jeanne. Carrie has given Jeanne a user ID, but not a password yet. George Martin, at the City of Phoenix (a BlockWatch grant administrator) is willing to follow up on any outstanding, such as regarding website and Constant Contact issues. For instance, anything that is paid for with BW grant money needs to have a board member signature.
- XII. **New Business:** The board was notified by the City of Phoenix that architectural plans have been submitted to neighborhood zoning for a high-rise luxury apartment complex at Central and Highland. No decision was made to make any formal comment to the City on this issue.
- XIII. **Qualifications to remain on the board:** Those who have missed 3 consecutive meetings can be taken off the board, with a notification. We had 3 new board members as of May 2012 who haven't attended meetings, nor contacted the board their reasons for not attending. What do we do about that? Two of them are no longer living in the neighborhood. Jeanne will verify that Juanita has notified the third person that she is no longer on the board.
- XIV. GAIN notification was done three different ways: postcards, flyers were hand-delivered, and notification was posted on the website. Do we want to eliminate any notification form in the future? For instance, who ordered the postcards, and how were they paid for? They are very expensive. Jeanne will research this for a future board discussion.
  - i. The board noted that we must be respectful of one another during our discussions during board meetings.
  - ii. Jeanne urged everyone to offer BlockWatch grant ideas because the process has a very fast turn-around in January from receipt of application to deadline for submission.
  - iii. Mike moved for adjournment, Wayne seconded.

**Adjournment: 7:54 pm**

**Next Board Meeting: December 5, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.  
American Evangelical Lutheran Church, Modular Unit  
1830 W. Glenrosa Ave.**