

BANA Board Meeting 8/19/2014

**Bel Air Neighborhood Association
Board Meeting-Kathleen Frazier's office
August 19, 2014 6-7 pm**

Board members present-Amy Henne, Barb Johnson, Jeanene Witt, Dana Berry, Larry German, Jan Zerr

Board members absent – Tom Perez

Meeting called to order at 6:03pm

President's Report - A new meeting place for Board meetings will be needed as Kathleen's office lease is ending. Larry suggested Albuquerque Youth Symphony on Menaul and will contact them. The roster of Board members was reviewed and Dana Berry's email address was the only correction. An email list of members is being worked on. It will not be visible on website or Google Docs but will be useful to forward info such as BANA business or city events. It was agreed that the park party and volunteer appreciation coffee were both successful events. It was agreed that a port-a-potty is not needed at the park party.

Secretary's minutes – the minutes of the May 21st meeting were approved with a correction of striking the last item which was incomplete.

Treasurer's report- Dana will email out projected expenses and income. Balance as of end of July was \$1422.30. Amy and Barb have debit cards and will give receipts to Dana when cards are used.

Newsletter- It was suggested that the newsletter contain a paragraph indicating the any member can submit info on their favorite non-profit to be included in next edition. Barb and Kathleen are working on scanning info from the archives to be available on website. Larry will try to get a short article from Albuquerque Youth Symphony and the Vortex to include in the next newsletter. Dana will contact the principal at Bel Air Elementary for an article. Neighbor to neighbor recommendations for local business were discussed but there was a concern about negative comments. It was agreed to postpone or withdraw this suggestion at this point. It was agreed that neighborhood photos of remodels, holiday lights, etc. would be a good feature for the website.

Zoning and Beautification – Barb says there has been a good turnout for the trash days. Zoning issues such as inoperable cars and weeds are being sent into the city. We will continue to list abandoned houses and foreclosures to find out what can be done as far as maintenance of the property. It was decided to keep running the monthly summer trash pickup as it has been.

Business Membership – Larry has made some contacts and is making progress. He contacted

Diane Gibson who says that the City of Albuquerque will pay for one neighborhood sign if appropriate spot can be found. She also said that more curb cuts are on the way.

Membership- Amy is researching possible online payment of membership dues. Membership year is 4/1 to 3/31. We have 116 residential members and 7 business members. We discussed ways to increase membership and participation including calling new members to thank them.

October General Membership meeting- This will be held on Monday Oct. 20 at the church. Articles for the newsletter should be submitted by Sept. 12. Kathleen will edit and print. Assembly will be at the church Thurs., Sept. 25 at 6 and delivered to neighborhood volunteers Fri, Sept 26. Amy will contact potential guest speakers including judicial organization and police liaison.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted
Jeanene Witt, BANA secretary