

Minutes from the Annual Meeting
of the
Highland Park West Balcones Area Neighborhood Association
October 8th, 2006
Perry Park
Austin, Texas

The annual meeting of the HPWBANA was called to order at 6:50 pm. Board members attending included: Nadene Morning, Carolyn Robinson, Sam Haddad, Susan Rauch, Blake Stanford, Mark Moore, Toniane Soster. Those not present: Lurleen Ladd, Jennifer Smith.

A list of members attending was circulated and collected. A motion to approve the minutes from last year's meeting was made and seconded, and those minutes were approved by the membership.

Susan Rauch presented the financial report as follows: Number of member households: 371, Includes single-member and two-member households. There are 110 more members this year. Number of business sponsors: 11. Gross income for 2006 was \$4,869.55. Income is primarily generated by member dues. Analysis of income: Member dues at \$3,959.26; Business Sponsor dues at \$ 450.00; Donations (beautification and gen.) at \$395.00; Randall's Good Neighbor program at \$ 65.29. Expenses for 2006 were \$3,992.38. Our budget is primarily spent on beautification efforts and special events like the Annual Meeting, July 4th Parade and Party and the Easter Egg Hunt.

Net income for 2006: \$ 877.17	Net worth for HPWBANA is currently (as of 10/8/06):
Checking account:	\$3,290.40
CD:	2,077.27

Total Net Worth:	\$ 5,367.67

Other projects: This year the board voted to contribute \$1500 from our surplus funds towards Highland Park Elementary PTA's efforts to permanently repair the Perry Park track.

Susan Rauch and Mark Moore announced their resignations from the Board, and were thanked for their service.

The Nominating Committee presented its slate of candidates for the new fiscal year: Nadene Morning (President), Carolyn Robinson (Vice President), Blake Stanford (Secretary), Tonianne Soster, Lurleen Ladd, Jennifer Smith, Sam Haddad and new members Chereen Fisher and Krista Saeger (Treasurer). A motion was made and seconded to accept the slate as presented. Fisher and Saeger were elected to the Board by unanimous vote.

Nadene Morning presented and reviewed the highlights of activities for the year (see attached) and various committee chairpersons discussed their committee highlights.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made and seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Blake Stanford, Secretary

Event Note: The Association presented its first ever Movie in the Park with the showing of "Babe". Many families attended and an informal headcount indicated 45-50 people in attendance.

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Highlights of Year 2006 Activities

Beautification & Parks Committee:

- The Beautification Committee started the year by receiving a Keep Austin Beautiful Award for improvement efforts improving six public green spaces in our neighborhood.
- Perry Park was a major focus of the committee as 5 new benches were installed in the park. A grant from Austin Parks Foundation was matched with over 400 hours of volunteer work in the park and a HPWBANA donation. The park also benefited with more non-native plant removal efforts and restoration of the nature trail in the woods.
- The neighbors of Highland Terrace and Perry Lane were supported in their transformation of a concrete median into a green landscape. Funding and donations for the project came from many neighbors, a Keep Austin Beautiful Neighborhood Grant, and HPWBANA.
- HPWBANA participated on the Highland Park PTA Track Committee which is coordinating a permanent repair of the Perry Park running track. A contribution from our reserve funds was made towards the project.
- The committee is currently working with PARD for a large scale tree planting in Perry Park planned for February. The park area on Balcones Drive is included in the plans.

Communications Committee – Newsletter/Listserv/Website:

- The HPWBANA News went out monthly to all 1800 homes and businesses in our area. Articles covered of a broad assortment of topics that pertain to our neighborhood.
- The www.hpwbana.org website and the hpwbana yahoo listserv kept residents informed about issues and events in our neighborhood.

Crime and Safety Committee:

- HPWBANA teamed up with our business sponsor, Southwest Human Development, to adopt the Capital Metro bus stop closest to the Highland Park West Center on Hancock Dr.

Events Committee:

- The Spring Egg Hunt at Perry Park was a great success with over 150 residents attending.
- The 4th of July Independence Day celebration is always popular with over 250 people attending.
- The HPWBANA Annual Meeting was paired with our first ever Movies in the Perry Park event.

Membership – Businesses Committee:

- Eleven businesses supported the neighborhood by signing on as 2006 Business Sponsors.

Membership – Resident Committee:

- The resident membership drive was a success with over 80 new member households joining the neighborhood association this year.

Planning and Zoning:

- The committee demonstrated a strong voice in citywide discussions to influence City Council to address the neighborhood problem of high residency use of single family homes.
- The committee also coordinated the Program Meeting: Deed Restriction Violations & City Code Enforcement Issues to inform residents about this complex topic.

Traffic and Transportation Committee:

- Committee members who live close to MoPAC acted as a focal point for MoNAC issues and sound wall issues that affect the neighborhood.