

Historic Highlands Neighborhood Association  
General Meeting  
Santa Catalina Branch Library  
Tuesday June 3, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Greg Harrison. Greg conducted the meeting. He introduced Margaret McAustin as the neighborhood's City Council representative. She introduced Mayor Bogaard who congratulated HHNA for the new historic landmark district achievement and spoke on the importance of civic participation. Ginger Loesch and Veronica Boone were both honored for their leadership in the Historic Highlands Neighborhood Association. Margaret McAustin was also recognized for her participation on the Planning Commission and now City Council.

At 7:15 the minutes from the April 25, 2007 General Meeting were approved. Mitch Aiken delivered the Treasurer's Report and it was approved. The proposed HHNA board was nominated, introduced, and elected. Belinda Jacobs is the president, Heidi Rous is the vice president, the treasurer is Mitch Aiken, and the secretaries are Mike Berner, Bridgid Fennell, Dennis Laurents, and Brian Tessier. There are also vacancies for other HHNA committees.

Ginger Loesch gave a report on the recent Home Tour. It featured 7 homes on Atchison and Catalina.

Bridgid Fennell made an appeal for volunteers for the Altadena historic landmark committee.

Trina Chen reported on the Neighborhood Watch program. There is a need for block level crime reports so block captains can share info. The police have reported they are patrolling more frequently. There was also a reminder that burglaries increase with the warm weather so neighbors are encouraged to take necessary precautions.

There will be a June 11 meeting with Council Representative McAustin. Topics to be covered include questions of police jurisdiction between Pasadena and Altadena and crime activity.

Greg Harrison is organizing a Pasadena Emergency Preparedness Training (PERT) meeting for the fall. Also, there are neighborhood guides available for emergency preparedness.

Jama Meyer reported on the website and newsletter. Please send her information to post to the website. She is able to create a blog to share crime information, though there was some concern about the general public being able to view this page so some access controls would need to be established. In the days leading up to the home tour, the website was visited 800-900 times per day.

The 4<sup>th</sup> of July Party will be organized by Amy Miller and Karen Petersen and a sign up sheet is available for volunteers who want to assist. A budget of \$800 was approved.

There are a variety of volunteer opportunities for various neighborhood committees and projects.

A committee will be formed to investigate and create signage for the new landmark status. Another committee should also be formed to consider a sign for the Howard Triangle.

At this point the floor was opened up to questions. One neighbor inquired about lighting for some areas which lack sufficient street lights. Margaret reported that it costs \$120,000 per streetlight and that she should be contacted directly if there are concerns on this topic.

Greg was thanked for his 2+ years of service as HHNA President.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Minutes recorded by Bridgid Fennell.