

Santa Teresa Foothills Neighborhood Association (STFNA)

Board of Directors Meeting

November 9, 2006

In Attendance:

Matt Freeman – President

John Hesler - Vice President

Lynne Paulson – Director

Mike Bosworth – Secretary

Danielle Spreier – Webmaster and
Treasurer

Forrest Williams – Director

Jacqueline Price – Director

Eric Crane (district 10 rep)

Rick Mandel - Recording Secretary

Dave Smith – Director

Absent:

Ash Kalra - Director

Next Meeting

The next board meeting is December 14, 7pm at Southside Community Center (at Poughkeepsie and Cottle) or at a place later to be named if the community center isn't available.

Agenda Items

1. District 10 report
2. Approval of October minutes
3. Approval of the Financial report
4. Review of Fall meeting
5. Review of last months action items (membership meeting, e-waste collection)
6. Non-Profit status/W-9 tax implications
7. Trail issues?
8. Update on Beautify Everything in Santa Teresa (BEST)
9. Elections
10. New Items?

Eric Crane report from district 10

Eric passed out the district 10 November newsletter (which is also available from the district 10 web site). Reported that parkland dedication ordinance increased fees from 75% to 100%. Eric will look into having a dumpster day in STFNA district 10 soon and communicate the information to Matt.

Approval of previous meeting minutes

October minutes were unanimously approved.

Approval of Financial report

Ending October 24 balance is \$2,593.84 where there is \$1,545 earmarked for the Curie Parkstrip Beautification Project and \$250 for BEST. The financial report was unanimously approved. There was discussion about doing a mail merge with the members who haven't contributed dues this year.

Review of fall meeting

The meeting went well; there was a lot of content and moved along at a crisp pace. Dr Pat Pizzo did a very good job sharing his native plants passion even though the projector didn't work. There were 3000 of the 4200 newsletter meetings delivered by volunteers. It costs \$2,500 to deliver a newsletter through the USPS.

We would like to have the spring meeting late April or early May. Easter is April 8, 2007. Check with school starting April 25 and on Thursdays. John will talk with the city geologist about coming to the next general association meeting.

ASL – eWaste fundraiser recap

STFNA cleared approximately \$2,240 at the ASL eWaste event held at Santa Teresa High School (STHS). We unanimously agreed to send STHS, via the vice-principle, 20% of the revenue after the arrival of the check from ASL. We would like to give the money in such a way so that remain and benefit the school/students instead of being commingled with the district general fund.

Non-profit status

There is a subtle difference between non-profit versus not-for-profit. We currently do not have the designation as either. At last board meeting, Ash agreed to follow-up using the UNSCC contact Matt provided him.

Trail

John to find out scope of trail study from city as the study is in the beginning stages. It was commented that, over a number of years, construction and convenience dollars helped fund the Guadalupe River trail.

BEST update

Dave would like the BEST to be an on-going program. It was suggested that he provide the sponsor URLs to Danielle. He suggested that the nominations be cutoff the end of March. He has six or seven sponsors already. As discussed in the previous meeting, the highest BEST sponsor will get their choice of category and that they would make the presentation at the general meeting. It was recommended that the sponsor checks be deposited ASAP, and an email be sent out informing the association of new dates.

Board member position elections

At the fall general meeting John, Lynne, Ash, Rick, Dave, Matt, Danielle, Forrest were elected board members. Though Jacqueline wasn't there, the board members present tonight unanimously appointed her a board member. The counsel members for district 2 and 10 are offered automatic positions (though Forrest was already a member at the time this decision was unanimously agreed upon last year). Eric continues as the proxy for Nancy Pyle. The consensus of the following board positions from after tonight until the meeting after the fall general association meeting:

Matt – President	Rick – Treasurer	Eric – Proxy for
John – Vice President	Forrest – Director	Director Nancy Pyle
Danielle – Secretary	Jacqueline – Director	Mike – Legal Advisor
Lynne – Recording secretary	Ash – Director	
	Dave – Director	

It was reiterated that there are nine regular board positions with an optional one offered to each of the counsel member's districts in which STFNA lies. Since Forrest was already a regular board member when this rule was adopted by the board, the district 10 seat will be offered as the 11th possible board seat after Forrest's city counsel tenure (meaning that he still retains his board position after serving as our city counsel member).

Review of October Action items

1. Ash Kalra
 - Contact UNSCC for information/guidance about how they acquired their California non-profit organization permit.
 - ✓ Carry-over
2. Matt Freeman
 - Continued STFNA representation at STHS community meetings.
 - ✓ On-going
 - Relative to obtaining a California non-profit organization permit, provide Ash an UNSCC contact for information/guidance about how they acquired theirs.
 - ✓ Done, though will follow up again with Ash.
 - Distribute newsletters and section maps to volunteers.
 - ✓ Done
3. John Hesler
 - Continue tracking the hilltop/hillside development.
 - ✓ Carry-over
 - Send welcome letter to Pullings.
 - ✓ Carry-over
4. Lynne Paulson
 - Continued monitoring the Santa Teresa Park master plan.
 - ✓ On-going
 - Write an updated article on the trail by-pass for stfna.org
 - ✓ Carry-over
 - Arrange a date and organize clean-up at Century Oaks Park, maybe with Journey.
 - ✓ Journey organizes their own clean-up days. Will arrange a date in the future.
5. Jacqueline Price
 - Organize the eWaste collection/fundraiser effort.
 - ✓ A smashing success, over \$2200 dollars money earned for STFNA!
6. Dave Smith
 - Organizing the BEST program.
 - ✓ On-going
 - Create and bring BEST handout to the general association meeting Oct 26.
 - ✓ Done
7. Rick Mandel
 - Write up and send out meeting notes.
 - ✓ Done
 - Turn in use of facilities form to Sakamoto.
 - ✓ Done
8. Danielle Spreier
 - General web / email maintenance
 - ✓ Done

- On-going Treasurer duties.
 - ✓ Done

Summary of Action Items

1. Matt Freeman
 - Continued STFNA representation at STHS community meetings.
 - Follow up with Ash about the non-profit designation for STFNA.
 - Distribute newsletters and section maps to volunteers.
2. John Hesler
 - Find out scope of current trail study.
 - Contact the city geologist to see if (s)he is agreeable to be the feature presenter at the spring general association meeting.
 - Continue tracking the hilltop/hillside development.
 - Send welcome letter to Pullings.
3. Ash Kalra
 - Contact UNSCC for information/guidance about how they acquired their California non-profit organization permit.
4. Lynne Paulson
 - Continued monitoring the Santa Teresa Park master plan.
 - Write an updated article on the trail by-pass for stfna.org
 - Arrange a date and organize clean-up at Century Oaks Park.
5. Dave Smith
 - Continue as the chairperson of the BEST program.
 - Provide sponsor URLs to Danielle for inclusion on the STFNA web site.
 - Provide BEST end of nomination date and write-up to Danielle for distribution to STFNA membership e-mail list.
 - Turn the BEST sponsor checks over to the treasurer.
6. Rick Mandel
 - Write up and send out meeting notes.
 - Contact Sakamoto about reserving the cafeteria for the spring general association meeting, any time after April 25 on a Thursday.
7. Danielle Spreier
 - General web / email maintenance
 - On-going Treasurer duties.