Old Pasadena Neighborhood Association Board Meeting
August 07, 2025

Hosted by: Holly Edwards, 7023 Mango Ave. S, St. Petersburg, FL 33707

Attending:
Shannery Barnes, President
Holly Edwards, Vice President
Kristin Brett, Secretary
Janet Knapp, Treasurer
Mary Beth Singh, Social Committee Chair
Chloe Hill, Board Member
Quinn Lundquist, Board Member

Absent:
Carol Binding, Board Member
Joan Walker, Board Member

Meeting was called to order at 7: 09 pm

Shannery made a motion that minutes from last meeting should be approved, Janet seconded and all approved.

Shannery said photos of the neighborhood were sent to the city for the Mayor's Neighborhood Summit and thanked Quinn for providing them.

Janet announced that our OPNA bank account is set up with Regions Bank in South Pasadena. We have 3 signatories; Shannery, Holly, and Janet. We deposited $1,121. The only checking account that doesn't have a monthly fee is one that requires a $500 balance, so we will go with that one. Janet also set up Zelle which is currently set up with email since the association doesn't have a cell phone.

Shannery followed up on Holly's suggestion of having standing board meetings and suggested the first Monday of each month, except the next meeting, since the first Monday in September falls on Labor Day.

Holly mentioned having the next general meeting at the St. Pete College Library again on Sept. 10. Kristin expressed some concerns about the location, due to poor attendance and other locations were discussed. The Garden Club has been condemned and City hall meeting room has not been renovated post storm. For now, we will stay with St. Pete College and see how attendance goes at the next meeting.

Website: Janet announced that Howard will administer the website and it will continue to be hosted by Bayshore Marketing. They are providing us with a discount on annual hosting.

Janet is also working on neighborhood boundaries.

Janet said she is working on registering us as a 501 (c)3 and is close to being done. Only a few other neighborhood associations have registered.

We discussed porch parties and the calendar through year end. There was discussion about having a Halloween or Fall Festival. Holly suggested a Halloween party and make it a fund-raiser. We could have a chilli cook-off, costume contest and cake walk. Cake decorating and trick or treating were also suggested. One idea is to ask a minimum donation of $5 to attend and maybe $2 for the cake walk. Janet said we should make "suggested donations" since we cannot "sell" things. Possible locations for the event include the parkway on Villagrande or the Saba residence. Holly offered to head it up if she gets help. There was much discussion about the fund-raising part of this. All agreed this is a good idea, that plans should get underway soon. The local events calendars will be checked and we will aim for mid-October.

Also, the "House of the Season" will be around Halloween for Halloween decorations.

Kristin mentioned that dates and some details of these events need to be decided soon so we have time to promote them. Janet said the next door hang should include next general meeting, Halloween event, and seasonal yard selection.

Shannery mentioned that she forwarded an email to the board that she sent regarding a CONA grant and asked everyone to look at it.

Shannery also has a call with her contact with the Rowdies on getting tickets for the neighborhood and she will follow up.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm

NEXT BOARD MEETING: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8ND AT KRISTIN'S HOUSE, 438 VILLAGRANDE AVE SOUTH

NEXT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, THURSDAY, SEPT. 10, ST PETE COLLEGE LIBRARY (AKA West Community **Library**) 6700 8TH AVE NORTH