

Willard Neighborhood Association

Meeting Minutes from Thurs, September 25th 2008

1. Housekeeping

- a. Minutes from the July 24th meeting were accepted.
- b. Treasure's Report
 - i. We have \$918 with the permit fees and National Night Out lights and whistles receipts still outstanding.
- c. There is a copy of the letter sent to UC Berkeley regarding the Berkeley Project grant approval
- d. There is also the final Agendizing policy.

2. Changes/Announcements to the Agenda

- a. Willard Pool (Berkeley Pools in general)
 - i. There is now a task force about the pools
 - ii. The first meeting is October 21st
- b. Berkeley Host
 - i. 6 people
 - ii. Started on 9/25/2008
 - iii. Monitor street behavior on Telegraph and Shattuck
 - iv. Hopefully improve street behavior in those locations
 - v. Hours are Th, F, S from 3-12

3. Physical Environment

- a. Berkeley Project work day is November 15th
 - i. It will be in and around the park
 - ii. Not sure on projects yet
 - iii. Projects are dependent on money, people and skill sets
 - iv. The October meeting will discuss particulars about projects and resources
 - v. Greg is retiring from the Willard Neighborhood Association. (Sob. ed)
- b. Signage
 - i. Some are still up
 - ii. Someone in the City takes down signs, we think
 - iii. Tell Gordon and Kriss next time you see them that we like the signs. Getting the signs on a permanent basis make take a policy decision.

4. Community Outreach

- a. Street Faire
 - i. Liked the location
 - ii. Pet Parade was very successful
 - iii. Sales were down

1. Possibly because of shortened Welcome Week
2. Possibly because farther from campus
3. Next year there should be more marketing of the event
- iv. The local arts guild table was very nice
- v. Attendance many have been down, but unsure
- vi. Possible venue change, but would require more people to handle traffic

b. National Night Out

- i. Good turn out
- ii. Good turn out of City officials
- iii. We met lots of neighbors
- iv. Gave away lights and whistles
- v. Overall, very successful.

5. Disaster Prep

- i. Tables at both the Street Faire and National Night Out
- ii. Had a training session
 1. Have people who want to work on disaster prep
 2. Working on personal disaster kits
 3. Take care of some low hanging fruit before tackling the issue of both the University and their planning, or lack their of, and landlords and tenants
 4. There will be short presentation
 5. Attempt to get the City to do an 'earthquake day' where we practice what we would do in case of an earthquake

6. Crime Prevention

- i. Dave Cottle is retiring as the Chair of this sub-committee due to work and family commitments
- ii. Looking for a volunteer for this sub-committee
- iii. There was a near mugging on Derby and Hillegass at 7pm. It involved 4 men
- iv. Please turn on your front porch light.

7. Noise and Party

- i. It has been pretty bad this fall
- ii. Letter to Linda Willams at UC
- iii. Very productive meeting this past week with her and others
 1. Support and encourage Linda
- iv. Get 2nd Response back in place
- v. Can we get a party patrol in the neighborhood?
- vi. Develop closer ties between the City and UC on these sorts of issues
- vii. Get landlords involved earlier
- viii. Push for task force results
- ix. Develop some best practices based on other UCs

8. Election Results

- a. FF No Position
- b. GG No Position
- c. HH No Position
- d. II Yes
- e. JJ No Position
- f. KK Yes
- g. L No