

**BPWNA Board Meeting
Jan. 3, 2005 @ SSDN**

Members Present: Chad, Johnson, President; Bill Byrd, Vice President; Linda Hennigh, Treasurer; Eric Winters, Secretary; Jean Durel, Marlene Levine, Bill Levine, Donna Dorsey

Meeting Began at 7:00 a.m.

Treasurer's Report – Donna explained that a member's dues of \$12 was deposited on 11/28. Linda now has the books and will be reconciling statements. Chad, Bill, Linda and Eric are now authorized check signatories.

Committee Reports

- A. **Block Network/Interns** – No report.
- B. **Community Garden** – No report.
- C. **Communications Team** – Working on a newsletter for January. Some discussion of inclusion of letters to the editor in the newsletter. Submissions always welcome. See Donna Dorsey.
- D. **Beautification Team/Litter** – Work will resume in March, when the weather improves.

Support Organizations

- A. **Sustainable Neighborhoods** – No meeting in December.
- B. **St. Louis Neighborhood Network** – No meeting in December.
- C. **Weed n Seed** – December meeting cancelled. Marlene expressed some concern that a shoplifter on Cherokee Street was detained by the storeowners, only to wait 3 hours before the police showed up. Bill will bring it up at the next meeting.

Old Business:

- A. **Holiday Party** – Huge success with more than 200 people! Special thanks to Globe Drug for donating the soda.
- B. **2005 Meeting Venue** – The board determined that for now the association will continue to meet at the Salvation Army, pending an arrangement to ensure access to the building. One suggestion was to have a key to the Salvation Army available at Booth Manor in the instance of a lock-out. Chad will pursue further.
- C. **2005 Monthly Speakers** – Four quarterly topics include: Back to the Basics, Neighborhood Beautification, Basic Home Repair, and tips to Economize. Aldermen Craig Schmidt and Ken Ortman will be the January speakers. Kim Norman from Weed & Seed will speak in February. Barb Potts will speak in March.
- D. **Charter Reinstated** – Bruce informed the board that the association's charter has been reinstated.

New Business:

- A. **Installation of Officers** – New officers will take an oath at January meeting. Transition has now occurred.
- B. **Board Meetings** – Due to a scheduling conflict with Eric, the board will now meet on the first Tuesday of each month.
- C. **Board Retreat** – A board retreat was tentatively scheduled for Feb. 12.
- D. **New Committee Chairs** – Donna Dorsey approved as the Communications Team chair.
- E. **Discussion of Committees** – Board discussed the open chair positions on a

number of committees, including Block Link, Beautification Team, Event Planning Team, Facility Management & Fundraising/Finance committees. Anyone interested should contact Chad.

- F. Immediate Past President** – Past President Galen Gondolfi resigned his position on the board, per an email to Chad.
- G. E-group Listserve** – Eric discussed the email listserv that he has setup for the neighborhood. He will be working to add all email addresses the association has gathered over the year. Only the board will have access to send emails, which will be limited to meeting announcements and special notices.

Meeting Adjourned 8:30 p.m.