

## **Minutes for March 9, 2011 AHCA Meeting**

Meeting began at 7:15pm with an Arlington Public Schools Strategic Plan Overview and Survey – this agenda item was for ARCA folks as well.

Survey was handed out. AHCA officers will send email to neighbors via listserv directing residents to the survey online by the March 18 deadline. The link is <http://research.zarca.com/clients/APSchools/survey.aspx?sid=258&lang=0&data=>

1. Call to order.
2. 20 members present.
3. Meeting minutes from February approved.
4. Officer's reports.
  - a. Treasurer's Report (Brent) – \$12,033.75 with 94 members
  - b. 1<sup>st</sup> VP (Nick) – LRPC Pen Place, Waste Water Treatment Plant Landscaping. Work group is looking at public art project for 1600 sq ft of fence around WT plant. Pedestrian bridge is still part of plan but unfunded.  
Motion to write letter of support for Four Mile Run restoration as part of the budget was put forth and approved.
  - c. 2<sup>nd</sup> VP (Cory) – Newsletter needs articles and input from community. Please email Cory with suggestions for articles or issues. Cory is a tree steward and discussed treescaping programs in our neighborhood. Over the summer she will be targeting neighborhoods where canopy is dwindling. Last year they worked on 18<sup>th</sup> street to improve a block which lost trees during a storm a few years ago. She will file a letter of intent to participate in the program. (Motion for letter approved).  
  
Motion that CA send letter to county board that AH library hours be seven days a week based on increased population student needs, unemployment, and financial need in our community. Motion passed.
  - d. Secretary (Jenny) – Recommends AHCA buying a template "Theme" from diythemes.com and paying a web designer to customize it. Themes cost between 100-200 dollars, and customizing would take 4-8 hours at 65 dollars per hour. After that ACHA member can host. Could include a page connecting the neighborhood FB feed, news of interest, photo gallery, questionnaire, and paypal portal for people who want to pay dues online. Concern expressed about a web site excluding people who do not use computers. Recommendation was to keep it simple and not include lots of community forum interaction stuff. Fuller proposal will be presented at April meeting.
5. Committee reports.
  - a. NC / Sidewalks (Bruce, Chris): sidewalks, Joyce Street, microproject. Bruce reports that Joyce Street tree planters and islands are in progress.
  - b. Rob Mandle talked about Flash, March 17-April 17. Farm Market is coming up. CCBID is on Facebook and Twitter.

- c. Library / Community Center – Family Fridays in progress, Summer plans. Volunteer hours are being recording.

Elizabeth Cho Fertikh gave an update on her science classes for 6-7 year-olds held at the community center. She attracted a full enrollment and working with the center was successful.

- e. C3RC: Mike/ Cory update on benchmarks
- f. Aurora Hills Facility Meeting: Bill Gillen said asst county manager has a budget that can go to capital improvements in our library and community center facility. Bill is looking for small and long-term suggestions for improvements. Next steps are we agreed to put a small steering committee together, four people, to work with county on these improvements.

6. Special orders -- Important business previously designated for consideration at this meeting.

- a. APS survey (7:00 pm) -
- b. Aircraft and Helicopter Noise Update (7:45) – Dennis O’Sullivan

7. Maria Teresa Daycare at 825 23<sup>rd</sup> Street. Maria Teresa DeSaba wants a letter of support to increase occupancy of the children from 50 to 68. Most employees take public transportation and the others drive. They have use of Advent Lutheran’s parking lot.

Motion was made to evaluate in six months. Amendment was made that we take no position. Amended motion passed with 5 votes.

8. New business - none

9. Calendar

- Family Fridays
- See the newsletter

Motion to Adjourn at 9:30.