

UEN HOA Board Meeting June 5, 2017

At the home of David Roffino, 2103 Briarwick Court, Richardson, TX

Present – David Roffino, Nancy Sperandeo, Julie Conway, Elliot Johnson, Dee Murphy, Jerry Nichols, Will Brown and Jim Lewis.

Absent – Jeff Burroughs, Kim Moreale, Jan Neher

New attendees tonight – Erica Danna, and Katherine Fauss

David called the meeting to order and chaired the meeting in Jeff's absence.

Treasurer's Report - After deposits and expenses = total balance of \$ 6,818.20.

Homeowner's participation –

There was discussion about how to increase homeowner participation.

Erica suggested that in order to have more participation we might try to have dues paid on line thru Venmo. The board suggested we look into the new process.

Erica can put an article in the Buzz about Venmo, and write about the process to see if people are interested in paying on line. Maybe when we have another membership drive, like maybe at the next annual meeting at the National Night Out in October, we could have a table display set up about the process to pay on line. That way if there is enough interest we could have this implemented for next January.

Fourth of July parade – on Tuesday

The parade starts at Portsmouth and Jupiter and ends at the Richardson Women's club. David will check with the Richardson Women's Club to make sure we can use their area to end the parade.

David likes to decorate his truck the night before and other people can join him to help.

Jan Neher already contacted the city to get the permits.

David will get the food for after the parade: Hot dogs, etc. It was suggested that he ask for complimentary sauerkraut for the hot dogs. David will get bottled water and ice, chips, cookies, hot dogs and buns, and condiments.

Someone suggested he go on line to Sam's Club and order and pay for everything and then go pick it up at Sam's. Dee can pick it up for David. Jan usually will make a few cakes.

Linda and Katherine can help serve the hot dogs and drinks.

Dee will contact Nina Lassiter to get tables and contact the ice cream man to come.

We will need 3 or 4 ice chests with ice and water placed in strategic places.

It was suggested to have other games and activities for the kids after eating the food. In the past we have had water balloons that the kids stomp on that sounds like fireworks. Other new activities might be face painting. Jim gets lighted rings to give out, etc.

Suggestion – to look for packing material with big bubbles that can be stomped on by kids at the July 4th parade .

Erica suggested blocking off a street to have the parade end there. She will call the city to see about that instead of ending at the Women's Club. When having a Bounce House was discussed, it was mentioned that there is a liability issue about insurance for renting a Bounce House, so Erica will look into that too.

For other games, Nancy can offer her bean bag toss board where children can toss yellow bean bags (that look like bees) into the holes of big sunflowers that she painted on a huge wooden panel. (It was originally painted for use at a booth display at the Wildflower Festival). We can also have a balloon toss with 2 teams.

Erica will check on another possibility of having a Dunk Tank. David will check with the Women's Club about liability issues with a dunk tank or bounce house.

We could also have craft projects – Katherine will get some crafts together with 3 tables to make crafts that are red, white, and blue. Katherine will ask Jan to help.

Another possibility is to ask the Gymnastics Center if they might want to come and give demonstrations. That might be an idea for National Night Out.

Richardson Women's Club –

Every time we use the Richardson Women's Club, our Board donates \$50 to their scholarship program.

Old business – Since we neglected to send a thank you letter to the Women's Club for use of their grounds from our last event there at Easter time, and need to send a donation for their scholarship program, Julie will do that.

The Buzz –

Articles need to be sent to Jan Neher 2 weeks before the event. The Buzz should go out on the 23rd and 24th of June. So articles need to be to Jan by June 16th. Will has offered to help out with the Buzz with distribution by getting them to the street captains.

- Jim will put in an article about the Firemen scholarships (promotion thru Tom Thumb and Kroeger from purchases).

Decision was approved for putting in an article about scholarships.

- Erica can do an article for the Buzz with **larger type heading** so people can see it – about on-line potential for new way to pay homeowner's dues.
- Jerry will put in his usual article for the Buzz.
- Elliot will send an article about the webpage.
- Jeff will do a president's letter.
- Welcome committee - Will to do an article about new people moving in. List the new block captains and which streets they are responsible for and thank them for volunteering.

Decision - Dee will purchase a bullhorn to use at events.

Decision - Elliot will look into purchasing a new PA system with a boom box and amplifier plus a car CD player to use for the parade.

Committee reports –

Yard of the Season – now has new signs. People who won got their new cards from Lowe's as gift cards.

Block captains – Will got a lot of new people to participate. They have to pass out the Buzz and when new people move in they will give them welcome bags. The hard part is finding out when new people move in – so people need to be on the lookout.

Next meeting – Tuesday, August 29th.

National Night Out is the first Tuesday in October, on Tuesday, Oct. 3rd.

We should meet the week before Labor Day, on Tuesday Aug. 29th at 6:30 at Jeff's house.

Horse Stables donation – We may contribute (towards their new windmill restoration) at some point, once they are closer to their goal, but they have a long way to go yet for a new windmill.

Yard or garage sale for our neighborhood

Jim will put in an article in the Buzz to see if there is any interest.

New Directories -

A request was made to print out 25 more copies of our UEN directory – but we only want to print them out once every 2 years. We should assess the area depending on how many new people have moved in. It only costs about \$400 to print out new directories. We have 9 directories left from 2016.

Decision – Jim will order 25 more directories that have been updated.

Decision – for Will to provide membership free for new homeowners for 2017.

Easter Egg Hunt –

The Richardson Women's Club paid for all the extra volunteers like face painters, and food and candy etc. so maybe we should help pay for some of it.

Decision - to give an extra check for \$50 to thank them for all the extra expenses they had for the egg hunt, in addition to the other \$50 for the normal fee.

Bob Townsend – recently passed away and since he has been a big supporter of HOAs , a request was asked to make a donation in his name.

Decision – to send a donation for \$100 to the FUMC in lieu of flowers, as requested by his family.

Senior Awareness Day -

Jerry mentioned about Senior Awareness Day at the Richardson Civic Center. Information was passed around noting that anyone can go, not only seniors. It was suggested that Jerry put an article in the Buzz about the upcoming event that will be held at the Civic Center on Friday, August 4th. There will also be entertainment including the senior follies dancers.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Sperandeo, substituting for Kim Morreale