

MONTAVILLA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

GENERAL MEETING SUMMARY

October 13, 2008

Board Members Present: David Linn, Chair; Lisa Laurenceau, Secretary/SEUL Delegate; Maria Sworske, Treasurer; Stephen Sequiera, SEUL LUTC (now the Neighborhood Livability Committee); Sandra McDaniel Land-Use and Transportation Chair.

Residents: Brian Wong, Montavilla Foot Patrol; Ron Cima, Carol Cima, Adam Samish, Jennifer Tamayo, Fritz Hirsch, Justin McNeal, Neal Brown, Jayne Imbach, Mia Neuse, Loretta Hollister, Dave Garlon, Karen Fink, Patt Stanek, Alyssa Kail.

Guests: Alissa Keny-Guyer, Liz Sullivan, Leslie Pintarich, PPB Neighborhood Liaison Officer.

David Linn called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m. After welcome and introductions, Leslie Pintarich, PPB did a neighborhood crime update.

Officer Pintarich said that the detail cars that are targeting Prostitution seem to be working. There are actually fewer girls out on 82nd Avenue. There were some general questions and answers.

There will be a "Take Back the Night" rally with guest speakers and a candlelight march to highlight violence against women and children on October 14 at PCC Southeast Center (in the Great Hall if it rains).

Maria Sworske, outgoing Treasurer, said that there is \$3,029.19 in the Checking Account and \$2,640.47 in the Savings Account.

Then it was time for elections:

David Linn, outgoing Chair, explained the open positions. He wrote them on large pieces of paper taped up on the room divider. He added names underneath of people willing to fill those positions. David is not running for chair since he is going to be too busy this coming year. Justin Cutler, the outgoing vice-chair is running for the chair position. Other open positions are: Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, SEUL Neighborhood Livability Delegate, Land-Use and Transportation Committee Chair, Outreach Chair, Parks Chair, Public Safety Chair. Lisa is willing

to continue to serve as Secretary , but would like to share the position with someone else as a co-secretary. The SEUL Board Delegate position is not up for re-election this year, it is a two-year term. Maria Sworske is not running for Treasurer, she will be too busy this year also. Sandra McDaniel is running for LUTC Chair again and is running for Outreach Chair as well. Stephen Sequeira is not running for the Neighborhood Livability Committee Chair. Liz Sullivan of Mt Tabor would like to be the Neighborhood Livability Delegate. She cited that her son goes to school in Montavilla, she shops and does business in Montavilla. Fritz Hirsch challenged her. She said she didn't want to take much time. Lisa said that Fritz has a valid point; we ought to have a full discussion. She said she represents Montavilla in Action. Fritz challenged that as a "real" organization; with no bank account, offices etc. Carol Cima who also works in Montavilla in Action said the 501©3 papers are sitting on her kitchen table ready to be submitted, and Montavilla in Action is opening a bank account tomorrow. After some further discussion, she was allowed to run.

Brian Wong, who organized the Montavilla Foot Patrol; is running for Co-Vice-Chair along with Jennifer Tamayo. She said she was surprised when Brian called to ask her to run with him, but said she is willing to serve as Co-Vice-Chair if elected with Brian.

Liz Sullivan said she attended a Go-Green Conference. Sandra said she's dedicated to livability and likes that more single family homes are going in per lot than 2 skinny houses.

Justin McNeal wants to serve as Treasurer .Stephen asked what kind of background he has for handling money. Justin said he worked a little bit with that kind of thing in college, and he owns his own home.

Alyssa Kail is excited to work in the NA. She'd like to keep the Neighborhood Pristine. She wants to be the Sustainability Committee Chair.

Fritz Hirsch said that he wants to be the Public Safety Committee Chair. He said he thinks this neighborhood is right on the edge of gentrification, and lots of relationships need to be built with other Neighborhoods and the Police. He also thinks there should be a PPB Advisory Committee that would have oversight powers. He wants to do some Neighborhood Watch Training with Brian Wong, and strengthen the Foot Patrol, etc.

Sandra said when she was Outreach Committee Chair previously, MNA had the sparks' program, and she wants to have a meet 'n' greet for new neighbors, include students from colleges in the Neighborhood, and get the newsletter out in a more timely manner.

Karen Fink said she wants to be member-at-large. She's been involved with social justice, has taught Poly Sci at Pacific University, and is a "recovering lawyer." She wants to learn about the community and lend her skills of fundraising and diversity.

David said that everyone would vote by secret ballots already passed out and He and Lisa the Secretary would count them.