



**Board of Directors Meeting  
 Wednesday, February 12th, 2014  
 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
 St. Catherine's of Sienna Student Center**

Board Members Present (X); term expires as noted				
	Dean Blum (12/31/14)		Nancy Gooding (12/31/2014)	X David Courard-Hauri (12/31/15)
X	Liz Albright-Battles (12/31/14)	X	Mark Schneider (12/31/15)	X Deric Gourd (12/31/14)
X	Kristina Johnson (12/31/14)		Scott Johnson (12/31/15)	Sean Haire (12/31/2014)
	Eldon McAfee (12/31/15)	X	Eddie Robinson (12/31/15)	X Jen Sayers (12/31/15)
X	Tim Smith (Parks)		Kevin Venhaus (12/31/14)	Bethany Wilcoxon (12/31/14)
X	Mark McKinney (NBSD)	X	Chris Reindl (NBSD)	Renee Sedlacek (Drake)

**Introductions (5 Min.) Tim Smith from Parks Department**

**Consent Agenda (5 Min.)**

- Approval of Minutes. The minutes were in the January folder rather than February, so people did not see them. They will be approved next month.
- Monthly Financials. No financials either.

**Reports (15 Min.)**

- NBSD. Everything is frozen, so there hasn't been much cleaning to do. Mac asked about a sign for construction that had been up for a very long time, but Chris said that on private property it is difficult to do anything. He'll look into it. Mac checked later and found that they had to remove the signs within a week of finishing the work. Apparently someone is tearing up the Drake Park playground surface. Chris will look into this. Deric has noticed graffiti in areas near him. Usually it gets fixed really quickly, but it seems to be returning rapidly. Mark has been speaking with a lot of people, especially Drake students, about locking things up because there was a large increase in burglaries recently. Last weekend there were four Drake students either arrested or taken to the hospital for intoxication, and another was critically injured. Mark will be meeting with Drake officials to see if there are ways to address this. The Dublin is open and allegedly using Drake students as bouncers, and Thursdays are becoming a problem. Preston Daniels and some other folks are speaking to neighborhoods about the franchise fee vote on March 4th.

- Parks. Tim introduced himself. He runs a large number of programs for the Parks Department and will be coming monthly. There is a father-daughter dance coming up on Friday, then the Mayor's annual ride. There will be some adult and pee-wee softball: register soon! They are also hiring a lot of summer positions, looking for folks from 16-adult. We can get in touch with him at 868-6564.
- Drake University. Kristina met with Renee. They talked about Drake becoming a business partner. The meeting went really well, and they decided that Kristina will be the liaison with Drake. They committed to a \$500 gold membership (yay, Drake!), and Kristina asked for a donation for the home and garden tour; they'll be discussing it in committee soon. They are going to have a group meet about rebranding Dog Town (or, maybe more "revitalizing"). Drake is pleased about the home and garden tour, and would love for it to be related to homecoming. They will also be a more active participant in DSMove. Drake would like as much as possible in the neighborhood to be blue; they'll be working on this.

### Old Business

1. Free Flicks would like our movie selection soon. In the past we've done animated films and last year we did North by Northwest. People talked about Gravity, or maybe movies that were 35 years old to celebrate our anniversary. Liz mentioned films related to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. We decided on Gravity.

### New Business

1. None

### Adjourn Business Meeting

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7:30 p.m.

### Board Presentations

### Sub-Committee Discussions

- Business Partners: Lots of new partners: Drake, the Playhouse, DoSticks, Johnson & Sons, and Jen's business.
- Q1 Membership Meeting: This will be in the Senior Center in the Northeast side. Ako had asked to speak at one of our meetings. Renee also can hopefully speak. Mark McKinney will also come and be able to talk about what's going on and who to call.
- Newsletter: If you haven't gotten an article in, get it in by the 15<sup>th</sup>! ***In Dropbox under Marketing: Submit your articles into the folder.***
- House/Garden tour 2014: There will be one this fall.
- Radon Testing - FYI. There is some extra money for testing for radon; we'll put some information on facebook and the website on this, so get your home tested!
- Marketing: meeting will happen next week, and Kristina will have more to tell us about next week. We have both a membership list and an e-mail blast list. It was suggested that we keep some complimentary members (like the city), but maybe we should phase out Bill's e-mail blast list. We probably won't be e-mailing the newsletter to nonmembers in the future. We need a large list for things like free flicks, radon testing, and so on, so the question is whether we can separate lists for members or non-members. Kristina was wondering how to identify people newly moving into the neighborhood, and Mark gave her a contact person.
- DSMove: will be September 28<sup>th</sup>
- Community Engagement: Bethany and Liz met with the committee and are working on committee goals. They currently are working on an event that would relate to welcoming new neighbors, neighborhood information, and so on.