ECA Board of Directors Meeting

Edgebrook Library

Monday, April 8, 2019, 6:30 PM

Minutes

Meeting called to order 6:35pm. March minutes were approved with no changes.

In attendance: Mary Biesty, Michelle Christensen, Dennis Henley, Caryn Meyers, Tom Kraft, Jan Kupiec, Jeff Manuel, Tom Misiewicz, Justin Ochonicki, Christine Rosenberg ,Nora Shea, Jeff Singer, Nancy Williams, and Jerome Witte

Absent: Jennifer Carlson, Craig Caimi, Kevin Haran, Jennifer Herren, Lidia Pomaville , Beverly Padratzik, Ewa Ryan, and Susan Zelner

Officer's Reports

President's Report: Jeff reported that the Garden Walk was being replaced by a North Branch Arts events to be scheduled in July. A check for Edgebrook School was issued but it was noted that we were not asked to include materials in the goody bags given out at the fundraiser.

There will be a committee formed to create a survey for Edgebrook residents only. The survey will assess how residents would like to see how our funds are utilized. The survey will also assess why so many residents do not pay dues. The committee will be chaired by Michelle Christensen and other directors willing to help include Mary Biesty, Tom Misiewicz, Nora Shea, Nancy Williams, Justin Ochonicki, and Caryn Meyers. A meeting will be called over the summer.

The nominating Committee will be named at the next Directors meeting in May.

Vice President's Report: Nancy informed the board that the proposed changes to the ECA bylaws has been posted on the website, available to members at the last General meeting, and will be alerted in the newsletter (in the Reporter and emailed to members). The vote will be taken at the next General Meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Jeff Singer shared the 2019 ECA budget with expenses incurred through the month of March 2019. (see attached).

Secretary's Report: Apologies were made for the late postings of last month's minutes but commendations were made to Justin and Dennis for catching the errors!

Director's Reports

Programs: The General Meeting held on March 28th was well attended and informative. Taft Principal Mark Grishaber spoke about the new freshman campus scheduled to open this fall. It was suggested that the next general meeting, scheduled in late May, feature a representative from the Forest Preserve District. The meeting that will be scheduled in September.

Special Events: Tom M. and Nancy reported that everything is on track for the Easter Egg Hunt. They ask that directors report to Jeff Green Park at 8am for set up. Publicity (Lidia) and Social Media (Justin) are doing an excellent job getting out the publicity for the Easter Egg Hunt.

Community Development: Directors assigned to this committee are still working on setting up meetings with the 41st and 39th Ward Alderman.

Safety & Transportation: Jerome will be working on this committee. Directors asked him to find out when the new light will be operational on Devon and LeMai.

Membership: Nora reports membership down 40 members from LY and funds down $700. She sent out a membership list via email to all directors and is encouraging everyone to personally reach out and ask neighbors to sign up.

Planning is underway on the third annual Seed and Plant Swap to be held Saturday, May 11.

Charitable and Community Support: All local schools have or will receive donations from this committee.

Forests and Parks: Craig was not present

Beautification: See attached PDF from the committee

Snowplowing and Police/Fire: It was strongly recommended that we lock in rates for our snowplowing contract for 2020. The vendor did an outstanding job and was more economical than our previous contractor.

Old Business: We need to follow up with the ESAA team we are sponsoring… Jeff again brought up buying t-shirts but the support for his proposal was less than enthusiastic!

New Business: Mary mentioned the request for Everyday Edgebrook sponsorship for several upcoming events. The group decided to wait until after the Fourth of July Parade and Picnic to determine availability of funds.

Meeting adjourned 7:50 pm

NEXT MEETING: Next meeting will be held on Monday, May 13th at 6:30 pm in the community room of the Edgebrook Library. Please remember to contact Jeff if you are unable to attend.

Future Board Meetings

Monday	May 13, 2019
Monday	Jun 10, 2019
Monday	Sep 9, 2019
Monday	Oct 7, 2019 (first Monday)
Monday	Nov 4, 2019(first Monday)
Monday	Dec 9, 2019

Special Events 2019

Saturday, April 20th Easter Egg Hunt

Thursday, July 4th Parade and Picnic

Sunday, December 1st Holiday Stroll