

Meeting Minutes-December 3, 2008  
Mt. Scott-Arleta NA

*Board Members Present:* Shawna Fuller, Walt Nichols, Alyssa Agee, Phyllis Shelton, Marla Turner  
*Neighbors and Guests:* Vicky Oglesbee, Tim Hammock, Molly Pucillo, Kevin Loder, Mariya Coughlin, Bryanna Ehli, Austin Ehli, Officer Sokoloff, Officer Yee

Meeting called to order at 6:32pm.

Phyllis makes a motion to approve minutes. Marla seconds. 5 in favor. November minutes approved.

Police Report: Larceny are bigger issue this month, particularly at the community center. Most of the stats this month are much higher than usual. Mt. Scott has experienced a stolen car, at least three burglary attempts. A number of locker thefts have occurred, particularly in the women's locker room. Would like more information about rape in the park and arson. Walt will email Officer Gandy about information on those. Walt wants to know if the police have noticed increased numbers of bicyclists dressed in black with backpacks riding around the neighborhood. Officers aren't sure if there has been an increase specifically in this area but assures that the night/swing shift police definitely try to approach wanderers. Vicky mentioned that there has been an increase in bicyclist thefts at the library, locked and unlocked bikes. Dec 17<sup>th</sup> is the SouthEast precinct meeting. Scott suggests bringing up our concern that officers don't actually get information about the crimes in the neighborhood to report on at the neighborhood association during the precinct meeting.

Mt. Scott Teens Mural Project: Molly and Moss report on the project. Still need money for supplies to put up the mural. Application is ready, location is ready, portfolio from the artist is in, budget is set and right now still looking for more donations. They will be holding a dodgeball tournament at the community center to raise funds for the project. 38 people have signed up so far for the tournament on Dec 20<sup>th</sup>. They're charging \$10 to play if you're registered before Dec 1<sup>st</sup> and \$15 after that. Sell water/gatorade/raffle tickets for a cash prize. One teen wrote a grant, Molly wrote a grant and they're waiting to hear back from that. Total cost of the mural is \$3365.00 and they have thus far raised \$740. They also intend to mail out donation request letters to local businesses. They created a brochure for the project. If neighbors want to contribute to the project can they bring them to the community center? Is a donation box possible? It seems that they tend to get stolen more often than not so it doesn't seem to be a good idea. The nutrition center is willing to have a box up for donations since it's a members-only business. They're considering having a benefit concert to raise money as well. Moss requests \$200 from the neighborhood association if possible. Scott also suggests promoting it by giving the proceeds from family nights. Games played in the community center would be a good opportunity to sell concessions and raise money. Phyllis suggests that if one or two teens would volunteer to sell concessions with the NA on family night, we would then split the proceeds. The arts council will possibly match the donations received prior to February 4th although they have not specified a percentage. We would like to start the mural in May so we need money by late March. Scott makes a motion to give \$200 to the mural project. Marla seconds. 8 voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed. Check is made out to Mt. Scott Community Center. Marla asks that the teens come back to update the neighborhood association in January. Marla wants information to post on the website.

## Monthly Reports:

*Mt. Scott Community Center:* New winter brochures are out. Over winter break, extra open swims, open skates, and day. Family swim/skate is on the 19<sup>th</sup>. Had to raise fees on drop-in admission and passes in September and now we're unfortunately increasing them again in January. East Portland CC opens their pool as late as February instead of December due to technical issues with the pool. Hoping that the new pool will not decrease the number of individuals who visit Mt. Scott. Hopefully the locker room thefts will decrease now.

*SEUL:* Next month they'll be approving grant proposals. Reminder to submit concerns to Bryan about

*Triangle Project:* Still no further information on welding needs. \$250 from our communication funds towards the triangle project for public involvement. Shawna will suggest that Sarah send us specifics, perhaps short bio of what they're up to so we know what's going on.

*Library:* J.K Rowling's new book arrives at the library tomorrow, Tales of Beetle the Bard. New Year's Lunar Celebration in January. We had an enormous turn-out several years ago. Gregory Heights, Midland, Woodstock, and Holgate will all be putting on small celebrations. Holgates will be held January 28<sup>th</sup> 5:30-7:30pm. There will be food, crafts, and dragon dancers. Sister Diane leads the Church of Craft and will be hosting a recycled sweater ornaments craft. Teen librarian is leaving and returning to her home in Virginia. Looking to hire a new one soon.

*Land use:* 68<sup>th</sup> and Reedway a parcel that will be divided into three lots. Marla just got the schematic for it. Two of the homes facing 68<sup>th</sup> and one facing Reedway. Doesn't look like they're asking for any variances. It looks like a very straightforward project.

*Transportation:* Nothing new from Jim at this point.

*Website:* Same as usual. Posting new events.

*Treasurer:* We haven't made our annual payment to the community center for childcare. Tim needs to figure out the cost and email Phyllis. We will vote in January on the amount.

We will do concessions this month, the teens are invited to help out. Walt will do the whole thing, and possibly Shawna and Phyllis, can volunteer. Scott will check and see if he's available.

Meeting adjourned at 7:36pm.

Submitted by Alyssa Agee