*AGENDA AND ACTION ITEMS*

26 JULY 2016

***The meeting was held at 7 PM in Mike Mangan’s garden on Harvard Boulevard. For once, we had a quorum!***

***Housekeeping – 7:00***

*“*Minutes” of previous meeting – Ellen

*Accepted as circulated.*

Treasurer’s Report – Donna

*There was no formal report, since the only changes from May were minor. However, Donna wrote the check for the Wesley Community Center on the spot, and handed it to Ezra for delivery.*

Police matters – our assigned cop (if present)

*While waiting for the meeting to formally begin, we talked about crime in the Triangle. We are planning to ask for a formal police attendee in September.*

***EXCEPTION:*** *When our guests from the County Prosecutor’s office arrived about 7:30, Michele Henne explained that she had to go back to work to finish preparing for a case to be presented the next day. We were glad to let her and her colleague Franklin Gehres talk to us before we took up our regular agenda.*

*Ms. Henne and Mr. Gehres told us that the Prosecutor’s Office was there to help us with anything crime-related we might have questions about or need assistance with (or maybe some better understanding). They felt that it was important to have an open relationship with the County’s citizens, which is why they’d wanted to come to our meeting and answer any questions we had (we did have some). Ms. Henne handed out cards with her phone number, and encouraged us to call.*

***Old Business – 7:20***

NWPB report (and new reps!) – Ezra

*Ezra is now attending the NWPB meetings regularly, and proposed a Triangle couple (Roger and Lydia Rose Radcliffe) who are now serving as members as well. He said a police officer was invited to the last meeting, and drugs were discussed. As we have heard before, we should report anything we see to 333-DRUGS, and try for license-plate numbers! The NWPB is planning a Community Festival on August 20th, and a cleanup on Princeton Ave.*

Switching to a business account – Donna

*Donna has researched the matter, and will soon transfer our current account to a business account at WPCU. She will set it up with two backup people with signature authority, Ezra and Ellen. They will go to WPCU when the transfer is complete and provide the information necessary to add their names.*

*A propos of financial matters, some members of the group suggested that we consider adding financial responsibilities to the description of officers’ responsibilities in the By-Laws. Ellen will look into what might be included.*

OK SABA & CPOP donations – Donna and everyone

*With the quorum, we were able to formally OK those donations. Ellen will check on the amount for SABA, and will coordinate with Jill Hamilton of University Row; we usually go in together on supporting a CPOP class. The CPOP will be on September 10th this year.*

Continuing DIY participation (any volunteers?) – Ezra

*No one has yet volunteered to be the DIY coordinator, or received the training (besides Mike Dolinski).*

*(Ted Scheidt was not present to give us an update.) Ezra plans to attend the next DIY meeting*

*downtown, where he can talk to people in neighborhoods where the program is more active.*

Grant status: gateway signs and plantings – Ezra

*Several people volunteered to seek possible contractors for refinishing the metal signs. Bev Rench has a good contact, and Ellen will check with Bill Miller to see whether he remembers the company that originally produced them. Ezra made it clear that plans for the various gateway and median plantings would be very much dependent on the preferences of the people currently maintaining the plantings. Mary Wolf suggested enlisting Chris Jensen to assess the current plantings at the Cornell gateway, which has no regular maintainer, and will check with him. We need to ask the usual maintainers to generate a list of plants / bushes / trees they might like to purchase with the grant money.*

***Nominally New Business – 7:30***

Visit from members of the County Prosecutor’s office – Ezra

*(See the EXCEPTION above.)*

Festival grant and Otterbein block-party plans – Ezra

*Ezra explained our good fortune is receiving a festival grant as well as the regular City one, and outlined his plans. A group of 8 or 10 people had met a week or so earlier to start planning the event, and had decided to have the block party on Saturday, September 17th. Amy Clanton of CityWide is advising the planning group, since CityWide has helped with a number of similar events in various neighborhoods.*

Alley cleanup and other September/October possibilities – Ellen & Ezra

*No one spoke up to take charge of a cleanup, but Tony Shultz offered to walk the alleys to see how much would be involved in consolidating trash at pickup spots.*

Calendar for the coming year, especially the Community Meeting – Ellen

*Despite some discussion, no decision was reached on a date for the fall Community Meeting, or a topic.*

Return envelopes for fall mailing – Ellen

*Ellen told the group that only 19 of last year’s membership renewals arrived in the return envelopes provided (about 780 of them). With that statistic in mind, the group voted* ***not*** *to print more return envelopes and include them in the membership mailings in the future.*

Revision to By-Laws to permit quorum with only two officers, as long as neither is counted as a trustee – Ellen (\**see suggested text mods on next page\*)*

*The group voted to accept the proposed modifications of the By-Laws.*

How can we make sure to contact new Triangle residents soon after they move in? (Or at least owners – is there a current database of sales?) Special committee? 720 Torrington as the example -- Ami, Ezra, all

*It was suggested that we all try to check our districts every couple of weeks, with an eye on the For Sale signs (especially the ones that finally come down!).*

Neighborhood engagement – door-to-door visits by district reps, handouts? See Aug 2015 minutes – all

*We kind of ran out of time for this. Ellen and Ezra agreed that they need to work on a new survey soon.*

* Timing
* Survey (print hard copies? Would the City?)
* Request e-addresses
* T-shirts?
* Signs on street corners about upcoming meetings?

Time banking opportunities? – all

***Adjournment – 8:45-ish***

# Dayton View Triangle Federation

# CURRENTLY PLANNED 2016 DVT MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

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| **DAY** | **DATE** | **MEETING/EVENT** | **LOCATION** | **TIME** |
| **Tuesday** | **January 26** | **Trustees’ Meeting** | Omega/Emerson | 7:00 PM |
| **Tuesday** | **March 29** | **Trustees’ Meeting** | Omega/Emerson | 7:00 PM |
| *Friday* | *May 13* | *Newsletter article deadline (to press May 22)* | *--* | *--* |
| ***Saturday*** | ***May 14*** | ***Neighborhood Garage Sale*** | (various) | 9:00 AM |
| *Sat* | *June 4* | *Newsletter taping/labeling* | *EFR’s* | *TBD* |
| **Tuesday** | **May 24** | **Trustees’ Meeting** | Omega/Emerson | 7:00 PM |
| **Tuesday** | **July 26** | **Trustees’ Meeting** | Mike M.’s garden | 7:00 PM |
| ***Saturday*** | ***Aug 27, Oct 1, Oct 29?*** | **Alley cleanup before a bulk pickup?** | **TBD** |  |
| ***Saturday*** | ***Sept 17*** | ***Otterbein block party*** | TBD | Noon to 3 PM |
| *Friday* | *Sept 23* | *Membership letter & newsletter article deadline (to press Mon Sept 26)* | -- |  |
| **Tuesday** | **September 27** | **Trustees’ Meeting** | Where? | **7:00 PM** |
| *Thurs-Sat* | *Sep 29 – Oct 1* | *Regional Neighborhood Network Conference* | *Champaign* | ***--*** |
| ***TBD*** | ***Somewhere between October 1 & 8?*** | *Membership, charity drive, & newsletter stuffing/sealing/labeling* | *TBD – EFR’s?* | *TBD* |
| **Sunday** | **Oct. 23 ??** | **Fall Community Meeting?** (**and Trustee Election, in theory)** (*conflict – Bach )* | Omega/Emerson | 7:00 PM?? |
| **Tuesday** | **Dec. 6** | **Trustees’ Meeting AND Election of Officers** | Omega/Emerson? | 7:00 PM |

This version has 6 trustee meetings (Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept, Nov) and 1 community meeting (Oct). Meetings are on fourth Tuesdays except for the November one, which has been slid to the first Tuesday of December to miss TG week and the City’s Presidents’ Forum. The dates of the newsletters and the community meeting can be modified, of course.

***Here (in red) is what the group agreed to have added to the By-Laws.***

**Section 3 - Vacancies**

If a vacancy arises on the Board because an officer or trustee has moved out of the area, or has ceased to participate in Board activities, the Board of Trustees will seek out a new candidate to serve as trustee for that district.  If no one can be found to fill one of the officer positions, the existing officers shall temporarily assume any of those duties they can.

**Section 2 – Voting and Quorums**

The officers and the Board of Trustees are required to vote on all Federation matters involving money or other formal commitments.  A quorum of officers and trustees must be present to pass any motion proposed.  This quorum is defined as:

* Three of the officers (two if one of the officer positions is vacant)
* Five trustees, each representing a different district