

TRRG Board Meeting, May 4, 2017

1. Meeting was called to order by the Chair, Ruth Beeker at 5:21 PM.
2. The roll was called with a quorum present; final attendance included Ruth Beeker, Bill Ford, Oscar Gandy, JD Garcia, Joan Hall, Barbara Lehman, Bonnie Poulos, and Kris Yarter.
3. A motion to approve the [minutes of February 2, 2017](#) was seconded and approved without opposition.
4. Election of Officers.
 - A. Bonnie Poulos was nominated as Chair of Board; unanimous approval followed.
 - B. Ruth Beeker was nominated as Vice-Chair; unanimous approval followed.
 - C. Oscar Gandy was nominated as Secretary; unanimous approval followed.
 - D. Lisa Jones was nominated as Parliamentarian; unanimous approval followed.
 - E. Barbara Lehmann was nominated as Treasurer; unanimous approval followed.
5. The Treasurer's Report was delivered orally by Barbra Lehmann, with a written document to be forwarded to the Secretary. Bank charges were discussed, and Barbara noted other adjustments in the records, including an honorarium (\$50) paid to Mesa representatives. The current balance is \$1532.09, including \$230 received in dues and donations.

Ruth suggested that we buy portable tables to donate to Ward 6 for large meetings [to replace those which have broken]. Ruth moved that we buy three tables for WD6. Discussion followed, and modifications were made and seconded that "we ask Barbara Lehmann to purchase 3-4 tables for Ward 6. The motion was approved without opposition. It was moved, seconded and approved without exception that the Treasurer's report be accepted.
6. Planning for 2017-18 Year. This discussion was led by the new Chair, Bonnie Poulos.
 - A. Outreach Committee. Several items related to the activities of this standing committee were discussed, including efforts related to TRRG's relationship with its Friends, and the importance of the committee in light of the declining number of new members joining TRRG. There was discussion of determining committee leadership, and it was recommended that the committee should identify its leadership and set its own agenda for the coming year during its early meetings.
 - B. Ad Hoc committees. Bonnie distributed a draft document that she and Kris Yarter developed for Code Enforcement that might be of value as a template for other committees to consider. Bonnie utilized information derived from the tabulation of responses to the "[TRRG Member Input Sheet](#)" distributed at the Annual Meeting to lead discussion of Priorities for the coming year.

1)Code Enforcement. There was considerable interest and support for continuing engagement (n=13) with these matters. Kris Yarter indicated that she will continue to work with that committee.

2)PDSD, Public Participation. 12 indicated support for continuing attention to these matters, and it was suggested that Diana Lett would continue to inform TRRG about developments in this area. Ruth distributed a draft letter about PDSD, and asked if should this letter be sent to the Deputy Director in order to get a sense of priorities on the department's agenda, and what role TRRG might do to help. General agreement was expressed. Bill Ford agreed to work with the PDSD committee on the public participation aspect of its many functions, especially with regard to the need to get planning back on the city agenda.

3)Boards, Committees and Commissions. Nine indicated support for continuing attention, but Ruth indicated that she and Colette Altaffer would continue to work with the City's Study Group, noting that the Group's formation specified the need for TRRG participation, reflection our role in its establishment.

4) Neighborhood Services Enhancement. 14 indicated support for continuing attention to this problem area as a primary focus of TRRG. It was noted, however, that there were no City resources being allocated for this area. An extended discussion suggested the importance of determining the nature of the City's commitment to Neighborhood Services in the future. Bonnie indicated that she will contact Rebecca Roupp, Judith Anderson and Don Ijams to see what the future of neighborhood processes look like to them.

5) City, UA and Community Relations. 11 indicated support for continuing attention. It was noted that Diana Lett was involved in the process and could report to TRRG. Ruth suggested that while we are supportive of the group's (CRCC) activities, this issue is not primarily about process. A motion made to monitor, and support the group's efforts to deal with the UA, Honors College issue. It was approved without opposition.

6. City-regulated Signage. Eight members indicated support for continuation of TRRG involvement. It was noted that there is now a public process for sign code development, and Ruth participates as a citizen, not as a TRRG member, although she will continue to monitor it for TRRG.

7. A discussion ensued with regard to transportation, and the activities of the RTA and the nature of the city plays a role in this process. Discussion then turned to the nature of the process which the ad hoc committee went through in developing its mission statement for Board approval, with an emphasis on the problems in establishing leadership for the committee. JD Garcia and Oscar Gandy indicated they were willing to assume responsibility for moving the committee forward. The previous motion to table discussion of this committee has been extended to the next Board meeting.

C. Policy and procedures manual (PPM). Discussion of the nature and importance of developing a PPM began, and Lisa Jones volunteered to lead a small committee to develop a draft and present it to the Board.

D. The next two quarterly meetings of the TRRG Board were scheduled for August 3rd from 5:15 —700 PM and November 2nd from 5:00- 6:30PM.

E. Call to the audience. Bonnie Poulos presented gifts for Ruth acknowledging her important contributions to the organization and the City of Tucson. They included a certificate of appreciation, an original garment, and a restaurant gift card.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 PM

This revised draft is respectfully submitted by Oscar Gandy