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TRRG Board Members Quarterly Meeting

Minutes

Thursday, May 19, 2022, 3:30-5:30 PM

Ward 6 Office – 3202 E 1<sup>st</sup> St

1. Call to Order – Bonnie Poulos called the meeting to order at 3:30.
2. Roll Call – Present: Bonnie Poulos (presiding), Kris Yarter, Joan Hall, John Kovachik, Beth Grindell (recording). Absent: Steve Poe, Barbara Lehmann, Amanda Maass.
3. The Minutes of Feb 3, 2022 meeting and April 30, 2022 Annual meeting were approved as presented.
4. Treasurer’s Report and Membership – Barbara Lehmann provided Poulos with the following:  
As of today, \$1797.98 in the bank. TRRG received \$210 in membership funds and a \$10 donation at the Annual meeting. There are 144 members and 33 friends/neighborhood association members. In a general discussion of increasing membership, a code enforcement workshop and a Forum on Plan Tucson, to present TRRG ideas to other potential allies, were both discussed.
5. Election of Board Officers:
  - a. Chair: Poulos will continue as Chair
  - b. Vice Chair: Kris Yarter has agreed to serve as Vice-Chair
  - c. Secretary: See Parliamentarian
  - d. Treasurer: Barbara Lehmann will serve again.
  - e. Parliamentarian: Joan Hall will continue as Parliamentarian and will, when in town, serve as recorder.

In general discussion, Facebook and Ward Newsletters were named as possible membership recruiting places.

6. Debrief 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting – Comments:
  - a. There was good support for all the bylaws changes except for Article V, Section 1a. Option A, which specified that Board members’ emails are internal communications, not to be forwarded around, received 9 votes. Option B would have made Board members’ emails available to other TRRG members and received 7 votes. Four people voted for neither. Given the very close vote and clearly split opinions, Poulos has put this change on hold and will consider re-activating the bylaws committee to re-consider. For all other bylaws changes, see notes of the April 30 Annual Meeting.
  - b. The speakers were good and well-received and there was good interaction between speakers and TRRG members.
  - c. Too much time spent on bylaws; the member response sheets on issues of importance were well-done and more important than bylaws.

- d. There is general concern on how well Boards and commissions work; they frequently have quorum issues. Perhaps TRRG should re-activate the Boards and Commissions committee to lobby for changes in how they work; might be a good subject for a forum.
7. Progress reports
- a. Code Enforcement – Kris Yarter reported that Code Enforcement continues to be stretched too thin to deal with PDSD permit enforcement. So far, they have hired only two new inspectors, not the planned five. The new computer system is now expected to be online in October.
  - b. PDS – Beth Grindell reported that the PDS committee has met 3 times and is working its way through the existing Plan Tucson to see what changes we might want to support.
8. TRRG Plans for 2022-2023
- a. General Plan input based on discussion at Annual Meeting: Inability of City to meet code enforcement needs, might be the focus of a forum
  - b. Other priorities: forums, educational pieces: Share TRRG’s DDO piece with Ward offices in June or July. Investigate the termination of “Neighborhood Nuggets,” a useful source of information. Bring up concern that PDSD’s “client-centered department is only focused on paying clients, not the neighborhoods.
9. Call to the Audience: None
10. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 5:08 p.m.