

October 12, 2019
WPNA General Meeting Minutes
Memorial UMC

1. Welcome: Dan Strub

Dan thanked sponsors and encouraged people to patronize those businesses who support the WOW. Let them know you saw their ad in the WOW! We thanked newsletter deliverers and welcomed new neighbors and first time guests.

2. Citizen's Communication

- A. ***Austin Mennonite Church***: Thanked everyone who came out to the Pancake Breakfast that raised money for the WPNA Scholarship Fund. The total amount of funds raised will be announced soon and published in the WOW.
 - B. ***Oct 29 from 5:30-7pm, Harris Elementary Book Fair***: Please come support the Harris Elementary School and purchase a great gift for your kids, neighbors, etc!
 - C. ***Recycle and Reuse Drop Off Center***: Recycle styrofoam and offer products available at no cost (like recycled paint-good for primer). If you have styrofoam that needs to be dropped off, let Gloria Neunaber know, she is taking styrofoam over soon. gloneunaber@hotmail.com
 - D. ***Come visit Peggy Street on Halloween***: Shaleiah Fox reminded us that Peggy Street will be blocked off on Halloween. Please bring your kids and come trick-or-treating!
 - E. ***Jackie Brooks, East Link Project*** is reaching out to neighborhoods to learn more about their personal history and things that are important to each neighborhood. They'd like to connect with WPNA. Do you know of someone who could share the history of the neighborhood? Please reach out to Jackie or Jeanette and they will connect you with the right people. They want to talk to churches, Delwood Little League, long-term residents and more.
jackie@windsorpark.info or jeanetteswenson64@gmail.com
- 3. Yard of the Month: Sara Jane Lee**
5700 Westminster, Jenny Robertson. Hired a landscaping company to help her develop her yard (Rain Lily). Has many native and drought-tolerant plants. Jenny will receive a \$50 gift card from Shoal Creek Nursery.
- 4. Approval of minutes: September 2019**
Change "swope" to "swoop" on Q & A from AISD; motion made to accept minutes. All in favor, none opposed.
- 5. Nominations Committee Report: Rick Krivoniak, Alana Carpenter, Jane Churchill**
Still looking for a Treasurer and Secretary. They have found a candidate for the Interneighborhood Delegate. Meg will not abandon the position and is willing to work with someone in an apprentice position for a year with the idea that they would take it over themselves a year from now. If you know of someone who would like to get more involved with the WPNA, please let anyone on the nominations committee know.

6. 51st Street Art in Public Places: Olaniyi Akindiya Akirash
(<https://www.artwithakirash.com/>)

Art is like a food. We have different tastes. Akirash is working on creating public art on 51st Street. Why do love this neighborhood? Why do you live here? We are here to dialogue- what have you seen that you'd like to have here? He just installed an art piece at the airport. How can we bring together new and old? He wants to use stainless steel for the shape of the materials for this project. When you stand at Mueller, you can see a reflection of WP on the sculpture. Abstract shapes of male and female figures that show connectivity. Wants the sculpture to be low to the ground, wants people to interact with the sculpture, kids to walk through it. What can we add to this idea? What should we remove from the idea? Akirash is presenting his idea to the city during the first week of November. Sculpture will be at the SW Corner of 51st and Berkman.

If you have ideas to share with Akirash, email artistisrootsembassy@yahoo.com or artwithakirash@gmail.com

7. Warn Central Texas: Clarence Hardeman (clarencelhardeman@yahoo.com)

Clarence dropped off some materials for kids (coloring books), cups and shirts, small first aid kits. <https://warncentraltexas.org/>

What do you need in case of an emergency? He dropped off some bags that tell you what you need to take with you in case of emergency. He encouraged people to get a weather radio. He is planning to provide a weather radio to each street in WP and walkie-talkies if you need them. Warncentraltexas.com provides more information, trainings, etc. Clarence can be reached by phone at 512-909-8651.

8. Changes in Mueller PUD zoning: Jim Adams

Mueller is controlled by a PUD. It puts a cap on the residential area, vehicular traffic, etc. Since 2004, the Town Centre has been reimagined. It is mixed use with office and residential with ground floor retail. PUD amendment: increase cap on residential by 1340 units and increase cap on commercial by 550,000 sq feet. Increase vehicular trip cap by 8%. The new development would occur mostly within the Town Centre and north of the Town Centre. They are not proposing to increase the height of these projects. Looking for more opportunities for micro-units. Out of the 1340 units, 330 would be affordable housing units. Parking: PUD requires that every residential house has to provide two parking spaces on site. Proposing that Miller's parking standards become aligned with city parking standards. Builders could use either standard. Going to Planning Commission later this month. After that, they would like to get letters of support from neighborhoods around Mueller. Infrastructure is already in place to support this growth. Following the presentation, we held a Q & A. They would need a support letter prior to November 14 if the neighborhood is in favor of this proposal.

9. Treasurer's Report: Meg Brooks

We're more in the black, which is good news! Yard of the Month and Block Party are now merged into the general fund. When money is needed by these committees, they will be provided money through the general fund. The budget for next year will be available at the November meeting.

10. Committee Reports

A. Schools Committee Report: Shaleiah Fox

We've been following the school changes closely and the Schools Committee has always responded with a resolution and/or a list of recommendations. School changes divided into three components: reimagine, reinvest and reinvent. Reinvent is the component we are looking at now with school closures. The plan released last month focuses on 12 school closures. 9 of the 12 closures serve economically disadvantaged students. We're asking for the AISD to slow down this process, reconsider vertical alignment. Our proposal will be printed in the November WOW and will be posted on social media platforms prior to the November WPNA meeting. Community forums are complete at this time, but you can still contact trustees with your feedback. Next Schools Committee meeting is November 13 at 7 pm. Please consider attending and voicing your opinion. November 18 is the next AISD Board Meeting where they are hoping to vote on these proposals. We predict the vote will be delayed. We will send you a digital copy of the resolution if you are interested and can send you a vertical alignment map for our neighborhood. If you'd like either of these documents, please let a member of the schools committee know by emailing: shaleiahfox@gmail.com

B. Climate Crisis Committee: Barrett Sundberg

Have been to 6-7 different neighborhood associations to present how the WP Climate Committee was formed. Will continue this outreach. If you know of anyone who is doing something for the climate, let us know and we can include information in the WOW. Taking legislative requests to our legislatures. Met with Sheyryl Cole and Kirk Watson and Roger Williams office. Send any suggestions, people to contact, to Martin Luecke at mwluecke@hotmail.com There is up to date information, tips and articles about the Climate Committee on the website: www.windsorpark.info

11. Closing: Motion to adjourn at 11:46 am. All in favor, none opposed.

12. Next month: Several items to vote on and Natasha Harper-Madison will be here. Please join us!