



Westcott Neighborhood Association

March 16, 2015

Annual meeting minutes

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Monday, April 13, 2015, 6:30, Petit Library

President Doug Roth welcomed approximately 35 people to the annual meeting, thanking Theresa From ... for providing the refreshments.

He outlined 2 projects currently underway:

1. The neighborhood cookbook; submission forms for recipes were available at the sign-in desk.
2. The Web site, currently under development, is expected to be up and usable in 3-4 months.

Board elections were held; voting open to all dues-paying members. Doug introduced the 5 candidates (Kathryn Downing, Starke Donnally, Lynne Odell, Natalie Stetson, and Damian Vallelonga) and called for additional nominations from the floor; there were none.

Upcoming projects:

1. \$10,000 awarded to improve safety at the corner occupied by Grabby's; solutions to vehicles cutting across the sidewalk to get to Euclid will be development and implement, making both pedestrian and vehicular traffic safer.
2. Improvements to the knoll at S. Beech and Westcott are nearly complete; when the lighting is installed, an celebratory opening will be held.
3. Westcott remembers: memorial bricks available for purchase to honor individual contributions to the neighborhood. Forms and information available at Petit Library.
4. WACC (Westcott Area Cultural Coalition) is seeking board members. Group meets 4 times a year and oversees the Westcott Street Cultural Fair and other arts and music projects.

Theresa Introduced emphasizing her desire to get to know the neighborhood and its needs. Health, nutritional, and related counseling and programming are available.

Featured speaker: Paul Driscoll, commissioner of Neighborhood and Business Development, spoke about the plan. Housing issues (costs, condition, code enforcement, landbank, asbestos/lead abatement, vacant properties, etc.) and Workforce development were the issues highlighted.

Caption Of the SPD introduced himself, mentioning briefly issues related to the theater and home safety.