

Whiffletree Homeowners' Association
Board Meeting – January 24, 2022

7:02pm: The meeting was called to order by Jim. The meeting was held on Zoom.

2021-2022 Officers Attending (indicated with a ✓):

- ✓ Jim Skelly – President
- ✓ Tommy Mrazek – Vice President
- ✓ Bill Ostergren – Treasurer
- ✓ Lisa Kravitz – Secretary
- ✓ HB Bartz – Membership Committee Chair
- ✓ Tom Dixon – Beautification Committee Chair
Angela Hurn – Social Committee Chair
- ✓ Tom Moore – Crime Watch Committee Chair
Lucy Lorenzo – Welcoming Committee Chair

WHOA Resident Attendees

John Nwosu
Jess Martin
Mickey Dawson
Alan Kravitz

Minutes of January 2022 Board meeting:

Jim moved to approve the minutes, Lisa seconded, Board approved.

Social – Angela - absent

Membership -HB

Membership: 321 households

Planning to launch the Spring membership drive. HB has two volunteers to help this year.

- Email & letter to all residents indicating time to renew the WHOA membership to be sent this week.
- Invoices to follow announcements on Nextdoor and Whiffletree HOA website.
- Stickers ordered. Bill Webb and Gary Basham to help with laser-cutting stickers.
- Jim moved to discuss raising annual WHOA dues to offset rising costs. After much discussion, the Board decided to consider raising dues in FY 2023-2024 based on the need after the 2022-2023 budget is determined. A notification that the dues will not go up in the membership letters and newsletter.

Treasurer's Report – Bill

- 2021 Tax return has been mailed.
- Finances in good shape ending the year with only \$200 deficit for the year. (includes costs for winter social?)

Welcoming – Lucy - absent

Crime Watch – Tom Moore

Setting up a webinar with Officer Bianez.

Working with a new Crime Prevention Officer for Crime Watch activities.

Jim suggested coordinating Crime prevention events in the park with a food truck or something else to attract people to the event.

Beautification Report – Tom Dixon

Tulips were planted and starting to sprout. Expect to see beautiful blooms this Spring.

Modifications to the Whiffletree Covenants – Jim

Status from previous meeting:

Whiffletree Section	Votes			# Houses in Section	% of Homes Voted	Required for 75% Vote	% of 75% Vote	Affirmative Votes Still Needed
	Approve	Oppose	% Approve					
V	73	8	90%	114	71%	86	85%	13
VI	119	7	94%	184	68%	138	86%	19
VII	109	6	95%	179	64%	135	81%	26
Total	301	21	93%	477	68%	358	84%	57

Going door to door to get votes is deferred until the COVID risk is reduced.

BEST Platinum renewal process (2022-2023)

Jim sent point tally to the Board. Looks like we are in a good position to maintain our Platinum designation if we do all the activities planned.

Committee needed to put together the slate for 2022-2023

Need nominations for Social Committee. (John Nwosu? 😊 Wendy?)

Welcoming Committee co-chairs: nominating Jaya and Jenni (?)

Need to get slate and annual meeting date announced soon! Annual meeting TBD in April 2022.

New Business:

Neighborhood USA Conference, Little Rock, AR in May 2022. Whiffletree along with Estates of First Creek and Hunters Creek Estates (all BEST Platinum Neighborhoods) worked with Plano Neighborhood Services to submit a proposed to speak at the Neighborhood USA (NUSA) to speak at NUSA annual conference held May 4-7, 2022, in Little Rock, AR. The presentation is titled, "Building a BEST Neighborhood – How City Resources have Helped Strengthen Neighborhood Leadership and Increase Neighborhood Engagement." Jim Skelly will be presenting for Whiffletree. The cost for the travel and conference fees will be covered by City of Plano.

Records Retention: For legal purposes, need to keep records of WHOA membership for 5 years. Need meeting minutes, financial tax returns, and budgets records for 7 years from 2015 to present. We have membership records from 2009 so we have this requirement covered. Tom Dixon and Lisa Kravitz have boxes of old documents and will search for financial records. Once these documents are identified, they are scanned and saved into WHOA Dropbox.

Lisa moved to adjourn, and Tom D. seconded, Board approved.

8:00pm Meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting is scheduled for March 21, 2022 at 7pm on Zoom.

2021-2022 board meeting schedule – continue virtual via Zoom

March 21, 2022