# WPCA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING October 13, 2010 7:30 p.m.

## **Present**

Members/Officers:

Jay Sushelsky, President

Barbara Ioanes, Vice President

Sarah Taber, Secretary

Warren Gorlick

John Goodman

Paul Poe

Tamora Ilasat

Peter Brusoe

**ANC Representatives:** 

**Bill Kummings** 

Lee Brian Reba

Other Participants:

Armen Tashdinian, Membership Coordinator

#### Call to Order

President Jay Sushelsky called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

#### **Minutes**

The minutes of the September 9, 2010 meeting were approved by unanimous vote.

## **Treasurer's Report**

**Checking:** \$2,377.40

Recent Payments: \$60.00 Federations of Citizens Association (dinner); \$160.00 2D MDC

(police dinner)

**Savings:** \$833.76

Recent additions: \$470 added since last report (dues and contributions)

Recent withdrawals: none

PayPal: \$371.91
Recent additions: none

Recent withdrawals: \$10.00 GoDaddy (website fees)

**CD:** \$17,941.07 (BofA)

Total: \$21,524.14

The Treasurer's report was submitted by Bruce Forrest and accepted by the board.

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#### **Acorn Issue**

Please be thinking of submissions, which should be contributed to John Goodman or Jay Sushelsky. Our goal is to submit it for printing by October 28, 2010. We also will have an event column located on the front page so readers will see all of our scheduled events and speakers. There was a discussion about the scheduling of the general membership meeting, and the meeting will not be rescheduled.

#### **Old Business**

<u>Garfield St. 2900 Block</u> – On October 28, 2010, there will be a Public Space Committee meeting that will review the developer's application to occupy public space. The WPCA will continue to support the neighborhood on this matter and oppose the application.

# **Reports of ANC Representatives**

Bill Kummings reports that Debonair Cleaners is scheduled to move in the last week in October. WISH (Washington Intern Student Housing) will possibly be buying the Boston University building.

Lee Brian Reba reports that DDOT is working to reduce the number of sign poles by combining signs where possible onto one pole. Additionally, he reports that tree trimming, signage improvements including "slow/children at play," and speed limit signs have been completed in the areas of Woodley road/CT Avenue area.

There has been an HPRB application by 2218 Cathedral for a third story addition. This was approved three years ago, but the permit has now expired. Apparently the addition has been scaled back to some degree.

#### **New Business**

## Ward 3 Council Debate

The Ward 3 Council Candidate Debate will be held on October 20, 2010, at 7:30pm at the Stanford. Peter Brusoe and Warren Gorlick are coordinating this event. Both Councilmember Mary Cheh and David Hedgepeth have agreed to debate, and Mark Segraves of WTOP radio will moderate. The Cleveland Park Citizens Association is donating \$50 towards the event. Peter Brusoe will talk with Chef Tate of Medeterra about refreshments for the event. The debate will be advertised in the Cleveland Park and Woodley Park listserves, as well as mentioned in the Northwest Current and elsewhere.

## Fall meeting/Elections

The annual meeting and elections at-large might be held at the Stanford on November 16 or 18, 2010. Secretary Sarah Taber will head the Nominations Committee. It is agreed that we need to increase the advertisement of the annual meeting in order to foster better attendance. Additionally it is felt that a speaker of interest should be featured. Barbara Ioanes will be

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coordinating with Jim Graham. Bill Menczer has already been in contact with Cmdr. Matt Klein, who has agreed to attend. Lee Brian Reba and Jay Sushelsky will combine their efforts to contact Vincent Gray as expeditiously as possible.

## Deer Control

There are no final plans thus far by the NPS as to how best control the deer population. Options include "sharp shooters" as well as hormonal controls. More will follow on this subject, we can be assured.

## Fall Event

The organization of the wine tasting event is still underway. It will occur in January/February of 2011, as it was the general feeling of the Board that too many events were trying to happen in a short amount of time to be able to have the event this Fall. The Swiss Embassy will host the event, and it is still to be determined the number of people that can attend and whether there should be nominal fee of \$5-\$10 per person versus finding a sponsor for the event. The Board is eliciting suggestions of wine experts who could share their expertise or donate the wine for the event.

On Sunday, October 31, 2010, from 2:30-4:30pm, there will be a Halloween party sponsored by the WPCA and the Stanford. Cookies, cupcakes and the like will be provided.

# **Holiday Party**

The holiday party will be hosted by the Marriott Wardman on December 16, 2010. The format is similar to that of last year. Peter Brusoe, Tamora Ilasat, Jay Sushelsky, and Sarah Taber are on the committee. One area that we hope to improve is to increase the amount of food, as there was not enough last year due to the impressive attendance.

## Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55pm. The next Executive Board meeting will be November 3, 2010, at 7:30pm.