

PWCA August 7, 2008 Minutes

Attendance: Gary Friedlander, Tony Gil, Karen Gotlieb, Nancy Isserman, Jean St. Germaine
Excused Absence: Bill Brubaker, Lisa Healy, Joel Horwitz, Caryn Klar, Christian Petrucci, Shelly Sassler, Marc Slovak, Alan Tuttle

Minutes: There was no quorum so we were unable to pass the minutes from April, June, or July.

President's Report: Karen discussed the next newsletter which will go out before the annual meeting. Tony will check out printers and prices. Jean will take care of the ads promised to the sponsors of the 4th. Since the newsletter needs to go out quickly, articles should be submitted in the next few weeks. Tony and Jean will work with Pat Sinclair to design the layout.

First Vice President's Report: Jean reported that the thank you notes for the sponsors have been sent except for the one for the Republican Committee which Karen will send out in the next few days. All other 4th tasks except for the ads for the newsletter have been completed.

Second Vice President's Report: Tony reported on the annual meeting. Lance has agreed to participate in a debate. Daylin told Karen he will also. Karen will contact Daylin, Tony will contact Lance and the LWV to lock in a date. The choices of dates, in order of priority are Oct. 28, Oct 23, Oct 16. Tony and Karen will try to get dates and commitments locked in by next Tuesday the 12th. Tony will also contact Betty at the Facilities Management for the school district to reserve the cafetorium and to confirm room arrangements at PW Elementary. Back up programs if this one can't happen are: perhaps on school redistricting; Philadelphia's District Attorney on crime, or Tracey Davidson on consumer issues.

Commissioner's Report: None

Treasurer's Report: Gary reported we have \$6465 in the bank now. Regarding the 4th of July revenues/expenditures: Total revenues for the 4th were \$7,501. Total Expenditures: \$8,492. Loss: \$991. This is better than in recent years. Sponsorships were the highest amount in several years - \$3,700.

School Board Report: School redistricting is the key issue this fall. For more information and dates for public hearings go to www.lmsd.org.

Membership Report: Although Katie wasn't present Karen noted that we have continued to receive new memberships including several picked up tonight. Also at registration for the 4th many people joined or renewed their memberships, updated their contact information and asked to be placed on the PWCA list serve. The new electronic membership format is working.

Web Development: Although Marc was not present Karen and Jean reported that the website is up to date with all the announcements about the 4th removed. Announcements about the annual meeting will be added when the details are finalized. Jean suggested adding a worthy cause section to the website that would advertize some of the hardship situations we know of and ask for help. Karen agreed and stated that we would discuss this idea at the next board meeting.

Bylaws Review Committee: Tony noted that the committee has completed its work and is waiting for a quorum of the board to be present in order to hear the report and vote on it.

Old Business: The ad hoc committee on acts of antisemitism and vandalism at the school and library did not give a report.

The recycling project: Tony reported that the scrap metal company on his way to work would take the hangers. They will give him boxes to place the hangers in. Karen volunteered her son's scout troop to collect the hangers and remove the paper from them. It was decided that the collection would take place at the annual meeting and would be announced in the newsletter and on the website.

Next meeting will be September 3rd.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Isserman