

Minutes

Watrous Heights Neighborhood Association

Board Meeting, June 21, 2023

In attendance: Dave Johnston, Heather Byrd, Jim Hugley, Karen Lodden, Ryan Shaw, Elizabeth Williams
Absent: Becky Dewey

National Night Out

- Gray's Lake Neighborhood Association will have a booth at our National Night Out Event and will pay us \$1,000 to participate, but they are not cohosts.
- We will expand the Every Door Direct Mailer to include addresses within their zone, so the new number of mailings is 4,785. Postal cost will be around \$904.37 and Polk County Print Shop costs \$323. Heather Byrd made a motion to go ahead with the expanded mailing. Elizabeth Williams seconded, and it was passed by unanimous vote of all present.
- Bill Hanson has agreed to design the mailing and send the file directly to Polk County Printing. Ryan Shaw made a motion to approve working with Bill Hanson. Heather Byrd seconded, and it was passed by unanimous vote of all present.
- Neither Bordenaro's nor Papa John's will have staff at the event to help hand out pizza.
- With the increased mailing to include Gray's Lake Neighbors it was decided to increase the pizza order to 60 pizzas. Heather Byrd made a motion, Ryan Shaw seconded, and it was passed by unanimous vote of all present.
- Heather Byrd discussed the number of places people and families can find food, but that getting school supplies can be a real hardship, so this year we will not have bags of food to hand out and will increase the amount of school supplies. \$500 is budget for the school supplies. Elizabeth Williams made a motion, Karen Lodden seconded, and it was approved by unanimous vote of all present.
- It was decided that gift cards will only be purchased from Hy-Vee and Caseys, and the board confirmed we will be giving away two gift cards every 15 minutes beginning at 5:15.
- Karen Lodden will check with Casey's to see if they're willing to donate any water and will coordinate volunteers.

Regular meetings

- Mondays will continue to be our meeting nights.
- Dave Johnston will talk to the district to request August 28 for our first meeting, with September 18 as a backup if there's a conflict with the first date.

Bylaws

- We started discussing Dave's proposed changes to the bylaws, but Jim Hugley asked to table the conversation until he had time to look the full document over.

The next board meeting will be Wednesday, July 19 at 5:30 p.m. at Compassion Church.