Pinckney Neighborhood Association Quarterly Performance Report November 2010 – January 2011

Date	Activity description	Number of attendees
November 2010	PNA quarterly newsletter	mailed to approx. 1500 residents
		and property owners
Nov. 20, 2010	Monthly PNA meeting	9
Dec. 18, 2010	Monthly PNA meeting	9
Jan. 13, 2011	Lawrence Community	4
	Development Advisory Board	
Jan. 15, 2011	Monthly PNA meeting	12

*For NA Meetings, include a copy of the minutes. For NA Communications (newsletter, postcard, display ad, etc.), include a copy of the communication piece.

Anecdotal Documentation of Partnerships, Special Programs or Good Neighboring Stories (at least one required)

- Newsletter sent to approx. 1500 in November which included a recap of the October meeting, and of the annual parks clean-up and annual picnic, including some photos from picnic.
- At November meeting residents brainstormed on activities to include in next funding proposal, as several ideas had been submitted at the recent annual neighborhood picnic. Suggestions included improvements to the annual picnic, addition of a street dance or street party later in the year, and ways to increase volunteerism in and for our neighborhood. It was decided that we assess interest in various possibilities by including a form in the next newsletter which recipients could fill out and return. The FY2011 CDBG request was prepared, based on these discussions, and submitted to the City.
- Pinckney Neighborhood Association Facebook page was used to post information about, and invite people to attend, the November, December, and January PNA meetings. Approximately 10 additional people "friended" the PNA Facebook page during this quarter.

PINCKNEY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Minutes of

Persons Present: Steve Braswell, Pat Miller, Harry Miller, Tim Ivy, Monika Ivy, Linda Bush, Kristen Walker, Paul Jefferson, Paul Liechte.

Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ballard Center: Steve advised that the architect for Ballard Center has applied with the City for a special use permit on the proposed site. Steve plans to go to the hearing before the commission on 12/13/10 and send out an e-mail advising of any developments there. The concerns about the project include sufficiency of parking on the site and the avoidance of parking "spill-over" into an already parking-challenged neighborhood. The current plan is for 15 spaces.

NEW BUSINESS:

Kristen Walker advised that she has been in discussion with Pinckney School about common interests with PNA. She was elected to head a committee to establish a liaison with the School.

Linda presented a copy of a recent news letter published by the East Lawrence Neighborhood Association for comparison with our own news letter.

A discussion followed about PNA's annual block grant from the City of Lawrence; grant application for the upcoming year is in progress. Steve Braswell presented a print out of data from the City showing block-grant funding received by all neighborhoods in the past, and the question was raised whether PNA could benefit by more funding than it has received in the past. Members voiced suggestions of additional activities that PNA might sponsor with additional funding, including:

Improvements to the annual picnic, e.g., better promotion, paying and thus guaranteeing the attendance of the band; a student art-show.

Separate street party for the neighborhood – either spring or fall

Tours of the water plant

Bigger newsletter

Pinckney "take care" day – perhaps as a "volunteer" activity for neighborhood youth in need of community activities for resumes etc.

Pat Miller listed the suggestions, which are separate from these minutes, for future reference, and it was agreed that the discussion should continue at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting is December 18, 2010.

PINCKNEY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Minutes of December 15, 2010

Persons Present: Steve Braswell, Blair Sutton, Paul Jefferson, Tom Hegeman, Paul Liechti, Kristen Walker, Harry Miller, Pat Miller, Pierre Mondon.

Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m.

OLD BUSINESS:

Blight Issues: A general discussion of blight issues was held. No action was taken

NEW BUSINESS:

<u>News Letter</u>: a general discussion about the upcoming newsletter was held, and it was decided to try and schedule any appearances by guests at the next meeting in time that it could be announced in the newsletter. Steve Braswell suggested some possibilities for guest speakers for upcoming meetings and volunteered to attempt to contact those individuals for that purpose. No official action was taken.

The meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting is January 15, 2011.

Following the regular meeting, the Board of officers met to discuss the January 13, 2011 meeting of the Lawrence Community Development Advisory Committee at which Pinckney Neighborhood Association's request for funding for the upcoming year will be on the agenda. Pat and Harry Miller agreed to attend that meeting.

PINCKNEY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Minutes of January 15, 2011

Persons Present: Steve Braswell, Harry Miller, Paul Jefferson, Tom Hegeman, Pat Miller, Glen Walker, Kristen walker, Paul Liechti, Linda Bush, Pierre Mondon, Tim Ivy, Jen Ukekis

Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

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A motion was made that this Association join Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods and pay the annual dues of \$25.00. The motion carried.

Upcoming elections of officers was discussed

It was noted that Harry Miller, being the only officer present at the January 13, 2011 meeting of the Lawrence Community Development Advisory Board, signed the grant application for this Association's funding for the next fiscal year, and the same was approved by unanimous vote of the members present.

The meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting is December 19, 2009.



Pinckney Neighborhood Association November 2010 Newsletter

MARK YOUR CALENDAR Upcoming PNA Events

- November 20 **PNA monthly meeting** 10:00 am Lawrence Memorial Hospital: Early planning for PNA activities in 2011 – What are your ideas for making Pinckney Neighborhood an even better place to live?
- December 18 **PNA monthly meeting** 10:00 am Lawrence Memorial Hospital To be announced

PNA monthly meetings at Lawrence Memorial Hospital are held in a lower level meeting room. Check the schedule on your way in for the room number.

Pinckney Neighborhood Association is a nonprofit association of residents within the Pinckney Neighborhood who promote the interests of its resident and communications within the neighborhood.

PINCKNEY NEIGHBORHOOD PICNIC A GREAT SUCCESS



Yes, it was a little warm. Yes, there was way too much food. Yes, several people did act a little silly. But that's what made this year's annual neighborhood picnic so much fun (well, maybe except for the heat). Thanks to all who attended and helped make it a most enjoyable afternoon. Photos are posted on the PNA Facebook page and in the on-line version of this newsletter on the PNA website soon.





The picnic featured a pot luck luncheon, a bounce castle donated by Anderson Rentals, a Cut-a-Thon by Great Clips (donations to PNA suggested), music provided by Tom Kraus on the bottles and by the band Vera, Chuck & Dave. The picnic closed with a Silly Hat Parade accompanied by our own Kazoo marching band.



Many thanks to businesses from the neighborhood who donated ice, the bounce castle, kazoos, a water cooler, supplies for silly hats, brochures, discount coupons, band aide travel packs, hair cutting services, and funds to make the picnic a fabulous success. Remaining funds will be used to help defray the costs of the quarterly PNA newsletter and other notices. Also, thank you to Brenda Sampson and Steve Braswell for many of the wonderful photos (just as sampling here) that can be viewed on the PNA website and the PNA group Facebook page.

Next time you visit or run into one of these generous PNA Business Sponsors, please let them know you appreciate their support.

Anderson Rentals – Fast Lane – Great Clips – Lawrence Memorial Hospital McCray Lumber Co. – Harry Miller Piano Service – Myers Liquor North RACO Car Wash – Schroeder Chiropractic and Wellness Center Swansea / Phillips 66 – West Side Automotive



FAST ACTION ON PINCKNEY PARKS CLEAN-UP DAY

After rain delayed our original June clean-up day, the Pinckney Neighborhood Parks Clean-up Day reconvened and proceeded without a hitch on Saturday September 18th. Teams made quick work of picking up Burcham, Constant and Woody Parks before converging at Clinton Park to finish the task. A special thanks to Paul Liechti who, in hip waders, single-handedly tackled Hugh Cameron Memorial Stream. And a very special thank you to all the folks who make every visit to one of our beautiful neighborhood parks a Pinckney Parks Clean-up Day!







BALLARD PLANS NEW EARLY CHILDHOOD FACILITY IN PINCKNEY

Diane Ensminger, President & CEO of Ballard Community Service, Inc., visited our monthly meeting on October 16th to share Ballard's plans to create a beautiful and environmentally friendly center for early childhood education at 4th and Florida Streets. Ballard bought the property on the north-west corner of 4th & Florida and planned to renovate the existing structure until frozen and burst pipes resulted in severe water damage and a total loss of the facility.

Undaunted, Ballard switched gears and decided to launch a major campaign to raise private funding to build a new state of the art facility. Preliminary plans have been developed by Gould Evans Architects that could earn the facility LEED Platinum certification for its environmentally conscious construction and design. Ballard hopes to complete its fundraising soon and perhaps start construction next summer, with a potential opening date in August 2012. In the meantime, drawings and information about the proposed Petey Cerf Early Education Center for Children & Families are posted on Ballard's website at: http://www.ballardcenter.org/

While it's far too early for Ballard to have any specific information about future enrolment in the center, Diane indicated the center will have room for 80 children ranging from infants to preschool. Ballard is a non-profit organization that has a mission of serving families and individuals in need, but also recruits and enrolls students without financial need in its early childhood centers. If you have any questions about Ballard Community Services, please contact Ballard directly. Diane promised to return to one of our monthly meetings in 2011 to give us an update on progress. Ballard looks forward to opening the new center in our neighborhood and will work hard to be a good neighbor during construction and after the center opens.

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