



Eastside Neighborhood Advisory Council of Tacoma
Executive Board Meeting
Stewart Heights Park – Splash Room – 402 East 56th Street

Meeting Minutes for 1/7/08

I. Call to Order - meeting started at 6:30 pm.

Attendees: Catherine Ushka-Hall, Jesse Hart, Moya Joubert, Bill Weatherby, Natalie Dam, Nancy Davis, Jim Jones, and Kimberlie Lelli.

II. Old Business - none

III. New Business

1. School Board forum to help choose new school superintendent on 1/9/08. What do we, as the Eastside Council, want to see in a new superintendent? Catherine will e-mail the board with the following suggestions:

- Appreciation for Eastside diversity.
- Good communication skills.
- Use teaching techniques that work not just the latest techniques that are fashionable.
- Address gang violence in the schools.
- Eastside growth and schools.

2. January 2008 agenda items

- ❖ Stand.org – advocates for K – 12 education; Catherine met with Carla who represents Stand.org and Carla will speak at the January board meeting about their organization (10 minutes)
- ❖ Youth group (Westminster) will speak at the January meeting (15 minutes).
- ❖ Annual report due 1/15/08 – will be sent via e-mail for everyone's comments. 2007 committee accomplishments will be part of the Annual Report discussion.
- ❖ New board members welcomed – two other positions still to fill (hopefully get someone from the tribe; Catherine will call to meet with the tribe). Indoctrination of new members (assign a mentor and pass out **updated** Eastside Neighborhood Council binders at the retreat).
- ❖ 2008 Eastside Neighborhood Council goals – will be discussed at the retreat that should take place in March, bring in some food, meet at Stewart Heights March 3rd (in place of Executive Board meeting), Nancy will call Sally to see if she is available on this date to facilitate.
- ❖ By-Law review – still some issues to be resolved, the committee will need to meet first.
- ❖ Spenser Baer will talk about completing work on the one time grant proposals (10 minutes).

IV. Good of the order

- AIA 1st Reading at City Council meeting on 1-8-08. Catherine will attend to show Eastside Neighborhood Council support.
- Hillsdale has now come down to two bidders in the selection process.
- Get City Councilman Rick Talbert to give an update on the Rogers School issue.
- Absentee landlords on the Eastside (one doctor in particular) – a community member wants to picket the doctor's office and it was suggested that the community member come to the Eastside Neighborhood Council Board meeting and discuss the issue

during the citizen forum so that the issue can get into a written document (meeting minutes). Kimberlie will invite the concerned citizen.

- Safety Summit January 29th – Nancy recommends that Catherine attend for the Eastside Neighborhood Council.

IV. Adjournment – 7:45 PM

Submitted by: Moya Joubert – Eastside Neighborhood Council Secretary