Lansdowne Neighborhood Association Board Meeting Minutes August 29, 2011

Present: Sonny Wray, Barry Blondell, April Pottorff, Lissa Pohl, Gray Manis, George Ely, Steve Branham, Will Harward, Ame Sweetall, Judy Worth and Sharron Townsend

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Sonny Wray

July meeting minutes: George moved the minutes be approved as read. Steve seconded. Motion carried.

Picnic: Ame gave a review of the picnic plans and distributed a summary of the items. See attached. Discussion followed on how many tables will be needed for committees—please let Ame know the numbers. Committees that will exhibit include oral history, Zandale Park and beautification. Discussion then moved to how to handle annual memberships, i.e., calendar year, when and how to accept dues, updating the by-laws that pertain to membership, electronic directory, etc. It was agreed that more discussion was needed at a later meeting. Judy suggested a membership committee to tackle these issues. All agreed. Ame reviewed areas such as catering, head counts, door prizes (she distributed letters to be given to vendors when gathering prizes), promotion (sign needs to be repaired or replaced, street captains asked to get headcounts on their street), volunteers (Sonny asked board members to volunteer), music (George and group will play from 5:45 to 6:45), budget (Ame has projected and all are OK with the expenses), agenda (buffet opens at 5:45, then Sonny will welcome, remarks by dignitaries at 6:45). All agreed that the evening will be fluid to accommodate the activities, door prizes, etc.

Website: Dave (via Ame) reported that the website is 90% done from the mechanical side. Now working on content. Ame asked that all check for accuracy and to give ideas for the homepage. They hope to go live by picnic time. April suggested that more photos be added from across the neighborhood.

Zandale Park: A group met (Sonny, please fill in the names) to discuss the plantings in the park between the creek and Zandale Drive. The LFUCG will donate some trees and do the planting. LNA will have to buy some plant material this fall.

Tates Creek sidewalks: Sonny reported that emails have been circulating re: the sidewalk project, so he asked George and Judy to give the board some history on LNA's prior involvement. George reported that he has talked with LFUCG officials and that the schedule has slipped due to securing the easements. Judy has also talked with officials and reported that the plan is designed and agreed that the easements are the issue. She then gave a history of the project and the LNA's position when the project was introduced in 2008 at which time the LNA board invited neighbors to speak at a meeting to hear pros and cons. The LNA board supported the project. Judy will contact Keith Lovans with LFUCG to ask if he thinks a petition for neighbors to sign at the picnic is a good idea. Sonny will ask Mayor Gray to speak to the issue at the picnic.

Other business: Steve will organize a work-day for clearing Zandale Park. April will ask Greg about the transcript grant and get back to Judy.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharron Townsend Acting recording secretary