

GDCA Board Meeting
February 24, 2020 at the Home of Ranjeet Singh

Attendees

Ana Letona
Sara Kelly
Jenny Girard
Pat Powell
Kevin Swatt
Ranjeet Singh
Scot Walker
Dana Diaz
Iris Trieb

January Meeting Minutes Approved

Treasury Report & Memberships

No significant change on the budget since last month. An analysis was done on membership declines. Membership is in decline compared to years passed. We may offer a raffle ticket or another incentive to drive membership sales next year.

Code Ninjas

Code Ninjas had expressed interest in having a coding night for the neighborhood. We could advertise with the neighborhood signs, and use our website or another mechanism to solicit names. Jenny will get more details for the event to be discussed in next month's meeting.

Update on FC29

The task force met two weeks ago to talk about the next steps. Virginia Tech has finished their report and determined that the average household size of our neighborhood has increased over the past thirty years based on census data. Top priorities included pedestrian safety, multi-modal connections in safety (bus, bike, and road sharing), and sidewalks and infrastructure. Members of the task force will be meeting with the Falls Church Human Services Committee, Falls Church Citizens Transportation Committee, and the Northern Virginia Coalition for Smarter Growth. Next month the task force will be writing a letter of support to Falls Church City and Fairfax County to begin to include elected officials in this effort. A third community meeting is planned for April.

VDOT Update

VDOT has reported that Greenway Downs has been included in the *draft* 2020 paving schedule. More information to come.

Community Events and Outreach Items

Annual May Greenway Downs Meeting tentatively scheduled for May 6 or 7, 2020 at the Italian Cafe, 7 pm start, first speaker at 7:30 p.m. The board will invite Dahlia Palchik to present, and the Community outreach Officer from the McLean District police force.

“Front Lawn Fridays” will take place on June 12, 2020 (6-8 p.m.) at the homes of Kevin Swatt and Pat Powell. More details to be discussed at the next meeting.

First wine and beer event

We will check with Four Provinces about April 22, 5-7 [p.m.to](#) see if we could do a mid-week mixer for the neighborhood--sometime in the Spring. This is an opportunity for us to Meet & Greet those new to the neighborhood.

Park and Stream Trash Clean up

Date TBD, but probably the last Sat. in March with an April raindate (when the weather is warm enough for kids to clean the creek). Idea floated to combine with a gardening plant/seed swap in the cul-de-sac, and ask someone from the neighborhood composting group to participate.

Welcome Wagon Packet

Greenway Downs has a packet for new neighbors that includes a copy of the Neighborhood Directory, a GDCA fridge magnet, membership form and a nifty brochure with helpful information. We have had around 10 houses change hands since our last Meet & Greet and Board members have volunteered to deliver these packets. Packets are available upon request for anyone who would like to reach out to a new neighbor.

Spring Newsletter

The newsletter will be published in April and we are now actively selling ad space. It will include a flyer announcing the May Annual GDCA meeting notice.
Update on Summerfield RPPD:

Ongoing Projects

Upon the request of Lisa Welde last fall, Summerfield Rd., the GDCA Board submitted a request to Providence Supervisor's office for an extension of the RPPD on Summerfield Rd. Lisa is in charge of that project and when she has gathered the required signatures from the residents she will send them to the Board and depending on the results, VDOT will either grant or not grant the requested RPPD zone.