

## Notes from PANA General Meeting October 24, 2019

- Tina gave the Treasurer's report since Jane couldn't be at the meeting.
- Tyler Richter gave a brief talk on his interest in joining the PANA Board was elected by unanimous voice vote.
- Mercedes Mejia retired from the Board after several years.
- Proposed changes to the ByLaws were accepted by voice vote.
  - Article IV, Section 5, change dues, for household from \$6/yr to \$10/yr, for businesses from \$12/yr to \$20/yr,
  - Article V, Section 1, change term of board members from two years to one year,
  - Article XIII, update to reflect these changes.
- Joe Woodward talked about "time banking," a program in which neighbors exchange time doing things for each other. Maureen Poulas talked about her experiences with formal time banking arrangements in the past. It seems the administration of the bank becomes overwhelming.
- David talked about crime in the alleys, needle pickup and the possibility of putting lights in the alley between San Mateo and Truman; possibly getting businesses to put up lights.
- David talked about helping the homeless by spreading information throughout the neighborhood.
  - NAMI has teams that will come to the homeless making it unnecessary for neighbors to transport them to a shelter.
  - PANA can sponsor a talk by UNM medical personnel on mental health and wellness. The information may be useful when dealing with homeless in the neighborhood.
  - PANA can put up signs with information directing homeless to facilities.
- Tina talked about Neighborhood Watch, a program of APD to help fight crime. She recently hosted an initial block organization meeting for the 900 Madison block.
  - To organize your block, you need someone to be the block captain. APD will send a representative to your meeting to explain the program. Once organized, APD will assign an officer to be your block's contact point.
  - There are three active Neighborhood Watch blocks in PANA. David on the 600 block of Adams has a potluck to bring the neighbors together.
- Maureen talked about NeighborhoodWoods, a program by the city to provide trees for planting in front yards throughout the neighborhood. In the Spring, PANA and Mile High N.A. will get 100 trees to split between us. They must be planted within 10 or 20 feet of the street. PANA will canvas the neighborhood to find homeowners who want one of the trees in their yard. The city has landscape people to help decide where to plant the trees and to offer advice on their care.
- Councilor Diane Gibson's Policy Analyst, Abigail Stiles was at the meeting and answered questions after the meeting adjourned.