Cleveland Park Citizens Association Minutes Board of Directors Meeting, June 27, 2017

In attendance: Ruth Caplan, Phil Eagleburger, Elizabeth Ferenczi, John Korbel, Margaret Lenzner, Rick Nash, Susie Taylor (via Skype), Jennifer Ward, Barr Weiner. Absent: Ann Hamilton, Alice Kelley, Gina Polidoro, Mark Rosenman.

Note: Alice Kelley and Barr Weiner, Board nominees, will be voted on at the September Membership meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 pm by Ruth Caplan, President. She circulated the Board contact list for 2017-18, the Agenda, and the Minutes of the May 3 Board Meeting. The Agenda and the May 3 Minutes were approved.

Ruth welcomed Barr Weiner, who will replace Rick Nash as Treasurer after his nomination receives final approval at the September Membership Meeting.

Membership: Ruth reported that there are 391 members, assuming 2 for each "household". That reflects 76 individual members, 157 households, and one business. This is a 37% increase over 285 in the previous year and includes 139 lapsed members who rejoined.

Finance: Rick Nash presented the financial report with actual vs. budgeted numbers for the year. He noted that dues revenue (\$7080) was up from the \$6500 budgeted amount and that some renewal costs came under the previous year. Consulting cost for administrative assistance was significantly less than \$10,000 budgeted. Rick will meet with Barr over the summer to transition treasurer functions to him.

Administrative tasks: There was discussion of administrative tasks. Jen Ward will be responsible for the website and will liaison with Sarah Handwerger and John Korbel. It was agreed that Elizabeth Ferenczi, Ann Hamilton and Margaret Lenzner will meet to identify all administrative tasks and responsibilities and propose how best to accomplish them.

Work Plan: Review of the 2016-17 Work Plan and discussion of the plan for 2017-18 was deferred to September's Board meeting.

Meetings: It was agreed that **Board meetings** will be on the first Tuesday of each month beginning on September 5.

The **first Membership/Community meeting** will be held late afternoon on Sunday, September 10. After members vote on the slate of 2017-18 Board members and on the LED lighting and leafblower resolutions that were passed provisionally in June, there will be an open forum for members and the community to raise topics for CPCA focus. Jen will try to reserve the Cleveland Park Club. CPCA will plan to provide childcare and pizza.

Elizabeth reported on a June 21 community meeting re: CP's **Connecticut Avenue commercial strip**. The meeting was organized by Bob Ward and ANC commissioners Emma Hersh and Beau Finley to discuss their proposals for amendments to the **Comprehensive Plan** to allow greater height and density in CP multi-family residential and commercial zones, and another proposal to request a **DDOT study of the reversible lanes** on Connecticut Avenue during rush hours. They invited representatives of Cleveland Park Business Association, Cleveland Park Historical Society and CPCA

It was agreed that discussion of the problems of and possible solutions for **CP's commercial area** between Macomb and Porter Streets should be the topic for a Fall membership meeting. Susie will spearhead planning for this, working with other Board members.

December's Membership/Community meeting will be a **holiday party**. Ruth's proposal for a meeting re: a public bank and Green Investment Fund will be deferred to 2018.

It was agreed that minutes of the Membership meetings will be written and posted for only the business portions, and that podcasts of the programs and discussions will be posted on the website instead of written minutes.

Farmers Market. Susie noted the vitality of the new market on Connecticut Avenue, saying that it now has signed up 100% of the vendors and has built patronage of area businesses. At Ruth's suggestion, all applauded Susie's success in making this happen.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Margaret Lenzner, Recording Secretary