

Minutes from May 6th  
TPNA meeting

**Roll Call** ~ Don Ball, Marc Phillips, Jody White, Janene, Tompkins, Deb Dobbins, Derek Jones, Jennifer Valentyn, Steve Falzarano, Kevin Davis, Joan Austin, Ted Snyderman

**Absent**~ Paul Stinson, Pam Swinney, Elizabeth Parish

**Neighbors present**~

**April minutes for approval**~ approved

**Treasurer's Report**~ Janene Tompkins Dan Jewel has checks for advertising in newsletter. Membership money added to balance. Move everything to a Google Docement. Kevin Davis has template.

**Membership**~ Jody White No change

**Communication**~ Marc Phillips Getting June newsletter ready for printing. June 15th goal for distribution. Articles still needed including Annual Meeting.

**Traffic**~ Martin Steinmeyer- A group of neighbors met at Don's house to develop a list of intersection selection criteria for the Duke / Gregson Pedestrian Safety Project

- Derek helped to put together a visual of the intersections that - based on the catalogue of selection criteria we developed - the project should focus on

- Don, Jody and I inspected the intersections, and added a few - also based on the catalogue of criteria we had developed.

A date for the May meeting of the City development group was not yet available.

Concerns were raised on the potential issue of parking once the Residence Inn opens. If affected neighbors are interested in the possibility of parking restrictions at this end of the neighborhood based on what is in place at other areas, TPNA can facilitate this process. Suggestion to invite the future manager of the Residence Inn to a meeting to brainstorm about solutions. Derek Jones was going to check with his contacts.

**Urban Planning**~ Derek Jones discussing survey to assess if we have a critical mass that would be interested in a Historic Overlay designation. Linda Wilson talking to Measurement Inc. Exploration of underground utility. Study options.

**Trees**~Shelly Dekker

**Community Building**~ still seeking chair Discussion on Bull's Night Out and that without a Community Chair to help organize and conflicting events taking place that we would not promote this as a TPNA event. Real concern about how to organize the events that we currently sponsor. Suggestion that we form committees from the board to help community organizers with these events. Enthusiastically received and the following will serve with the Community Chair and neighborhood organizers to further these events: Halloween; Marc Phillips, Janene Tompkins, Steve Falzarano, Ted Snyderman.

Luminaria; Joan Austin, Martin Steinmeyer, Kevin Davis, Philip Azar. Easter; Jennifer Valentyn, Janene Tompkins, Joan Austin and Deb Dobbins. Pops in the Park; Kevin Davis, Jody White, Marc Philips

It was also brought up the revving our Fourth of July in the Park. Janene Tompkins sought support for the Graduation Picnic that parents of our Trinity Park graduates organize. This years picnic will be held in the Park and they are seeking electricity for this event. She was directed to The Foundation who regulates the use of the electricity

for TP sponsored events in accordance with their agreement with the City of Durham.  
**Safety**~ Steve Falzarano putting together article for newsletter. Brief discussion on National Night Out

**INC**~ Philip Azar Interesting meeting presentation from Woodcroft rep concerning Durham's Latino population. How to be more inclusive. Pilar from El Centro willing to help facilitate neighborhood discussions with our Latino population. Jody White thought it would be a good idea for our meetings.

**Old Business**~

**New Business**~ Retreat for the board to read through and acquaint all with by-laws. Tentative date for Retreat~June 22nd 6:00-9:00. Jody, Marc and Don to develop agenda. Also changes to schedule and Charitable Donations, this is also inclusive of our adapting a revenue neutral budget. Important to make sure we are following procedure and timing for the next Annual Meeting which has been proposed to move from April to January. Clarification of Charitable Donation Policy statement should include giving the board the option to designate funds with the goal to stay revenue neutral.

Request for a vote in principle of new guidelines. Marc Phillips made a motion to vote in principle. Janene Tompkins seconded. Passed

Marc Phillips made that motion in principle to support revenue neutral contributions goal with these changes to Charitable Contributions deadlines; applications are due by November, invite applicants to present at December meeting. At same meeting decisions to be made in a closed session to help facilitate discussion. Checks will be presented at our January Annual Meeting. Ted Snyderman seconded. Passed

**Next meeting is June 3rd.** No meeting in July. August 5th will be the meeting following the July date. **Motion to close**~ Jody White. Ted Snyderman second. Meeting adjourned at 9:10.