

SOUTH BRENTWOOD RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

BOARD MEETING

Home of Marylin Krell April 19, 2012 7:00 pm

Call to Order: Marylin Krell, president, called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Present: Marylin Krell, Elyse Arbour, Jackie Raymond, Pam Taylor, Ray Keller, Margery Zweizig, and Roz Gamble.

Absent: Lauren Cole, Laurel Davidson, Debbie Simmons, Len Blum, Nita Cosat, Sue Hirsch, and Jason Zivich.

A. Approval of Minutes

Marylin asked for ratification of the approval of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on March 22nd (previously distributed, corrected, and approved by e-mail). A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as corrected. The vote was unanimously in favor. Therefore, the motion passed.

B. Reports

- **Treasurer – Roz Gamble reported as follows:**

Balances as of April 19, 2012 were:

Checking Account: \$2,232.91

Savings Account: \$1,178.71

Total Available as of April 19, 2012: \$3,411.62

She also reported that we have 8 new members.

- **Veterans Administration – No report this month**

- **Mike Friedman- alertcommunity.com**

Mike Friedman joined us to talk about the web site “alertcommunity.com” which he started about ten years ago. It is a site to post any observations by the community of unusual or suspicious activity. Posts can be made easily and anonymously. The LAPD monitors the web site frequently, and has gathered useful information relating to investigations. This is very different from calling 9-1-1 or the police directly. Mike has now produced yard signs, similar to the signs used by ADT and other alarm companies, which serve as notices to would-be criminals that neighbors are watching out for each other and that we have a link to the LAPD. The signs will be available for sale at Vicente Foods for \$10 each starting next week. We agreed to let our membership know about the website and the signs.

C. Old Business

- We discussed the Annual General Meeting held on March 22nd. We agreed that it was a very successful meeting, with respect to turn-out and content. We had at least 136 attendees, garnered 68 new e-mail addresses for our general mailing list, and received great feedback regarding the presentation tables.

Suggestions for 2013: order the same amount of food (there was one platter left over, but we expect a greater turn-out next year), order more cookies; order less bottled water (3 of the 4 cases were left over); continue the practice of “escorting” attendees from the sign-in tables to the presentation room; consider changing the start time for the formal meeting to 7:30, allowing for more time for presentations from the community; spread the board members and tables to avoid congestion in the foyer.

D. New Business

- **Confirmation of Lauren Cole as co-alternate to BCC**

A discussion was held regarding the need for two alternates to represent SBRA. At present, Marylin is our rep and Jackie Raymond is the alternate. A proposal was made to ask Lauren Cole to serve as co-alternate with Jackie. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted to name Lauren Cole as co-alternate to the BCC

- **Community Booth at Farmers Market**

Marylin announced that there will be a continuing booth set up on the first Sunday of each month at the Brentwood Farmers Market for the community’s homeowner associations, neighborhood groups, and so on. Various organizations will “host” the table, and our turn will be February 3rd and March 3rd of 2013.

- **Summer Get-Together**

We talked about a friendly gathering of Board members over the summer. We will revisit the idea over the next several weeks, via e-mail, as to whether we should have a potluck, a catered supper at Marylin’s house, or dinner at a local restaurant.

Adjournment

There being no further business to bring before the Board, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting, and with a unanimous vote of those present, the Chair declared the motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m. The next meeting will be June 21, 2012.

Respectfully submitted, Pam Taylor, Acting Secretary