DRUID HILLS CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC
Board Meeting
Wednesday, December 15, 2015; 7:30 P.M.
The Frazer Center

IN ATTENDANCE
Officers: C Vandenberg, J Critz, F Finegan, T McGuigan, K Gibson
B MacGregor, D Shuey, J Heerin, J Richardson, D Frymire
A Wallace, M St. Louis, E Riley, S Thornton, V Biesel, S Misner
2015: B Clark, B Evans, C Waterbury
2016: J Boone, A Howell, J Markham, P Moise, T Winn
2017: K Eisterhold, H Handley, P Mitchell, J Morawetz, S Silverman
Guests: Robin Clark and other spouses of Board Members

President Cathy Vandenberg opened the December Board meeting, and appreciation was expressed for the ample and alluring refreshments arranged by Frances Finegan.

The November Board Minutes were then approved.

New Business

A) The Revised Bylaws: Dick Shuey stated the goal of updating our Bylaws to make them as flexible as possible and then introduced Phil Moise whose experience with corporate bylaws was an important resource. Phil reviewed the changes from last February, which are fully documented and have been shared with the full board. Bill Clark expressed appreciation for the effort to be inclusive with the community at large. The new Bylaws will be posted on the website and advertised as required to avoid any surprises at the Annual Meeting in January. Phil Moise clarified that a quorum for the Annual “Membership Meeting” is 10% as dictated by the Georgia Non-profit Organization Code. The quorum for Board meetings will continue to be 40%.

A Motion to approve the proposed By-Laws passed without opposition.

Paideia Auction Donation Request
A Motion to approve a submitted request from Paideia for a $500 donation was approved without opposition.

Jennie Richardson distributed extra copies of the DH News and then reported on a news article from 1961, which listed many concerns of the DHCA. It is interesting that in more than 50 years many concerns have not changed.

Justin Critz reported that the added Security Blitz that the DHCA funded in addition to the DH Patrol will end on the December 19th. It is difficult to assess the impact on public safety and security that the blitz had, but the allocated funds of $5K for six weeks have been exhausted. Two cars on Fairview and another car on Oakdale were broken into last night so there are concerns that crime may continue through the holidays. Some feel the use of official DeKalb County Police cars has a bigger impact.

Bill Clark voiced his appreciation for officials that participated in DHHS meeting last month.

Jim Boone contrasted the police coverage here with the coverage in Sandy Springs where 167 officers are hired. Jim Boone’s leadership in the Safety Committee was applauded.

Honora Handley & John Markham will be the new co-chairs of the Public Safety Committee.

A Motion was then made for the DHCA to fund another six weeks of extra security for another $5K for one police vehicle in Druid Hills. There was little discussion.
The motion to fund a continuation of the extra surveillance for six more weeks carried with approximately 20 for and 4 against.

The December Business portion of the DHCA Board meeting ended at 8:06.

The January DHCA Board Meeting will be on Wednesday, January 20, 2016 at 7:30 P.M. at St. John’s Lutheran Church