

West Winter Park Neighbors Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Apr 21, 2024

Meeting Time: 3:00 PM

Location: Roda's Home

Attendees: Roda Carter, Denise Chatman, Linda Walker Chappell, Barbara Chandler

Action Items/ Decisions

Roda opened the meeting up at 3:14pm stating that today's agenda would cover:

1. Planning the Celebration of our new commissioner Coach Craig Russel and mayor Sheila Diciccio. WWPN will kick-off the Spring season by celebrating the historic milestones of the first Black commissioner in 130 years and first female mayor of the City of Winter Park.
2. Reset and reboot! Reestablish meeting dates for the remainder of the year and figure out how we are to move forward.

Discussion:

- Denise articulated the importance of recognizing the two political leaders and how this event is our opportunity to get the word out about WWPN.
- Linda added it could be a time that we can let them set our expectations but we decided that this will be the time to have a celebration, and set the tone and there will be a time for that soon and hopefully they will hopefully be accountable. She expressed concern that we need to get things accomplished including establishing the committees, expressly the Beautification Committee (that she will head up) and how we can reach out to the churches that need to improve their facade and curb appeal. She suggested we have an attendee questionnaire to be completed upon entry, in turn they'd receive a wristband that will allow access to the food truck and refreshments.
- Barbara suggested that we include the Unity Heritage Festival group to partner in the event and she will reach out to Robert, Keisha or Antoine and ask for a meeting to discuss a collaboration.

- **The date we agreed on for the event is May 18, 2024 at Shady Park's amphitheater from 6- 8pm. Roda emailed Karen to confirm availability of the venue.**
- Denise confirmed Craig's availability.
- Roda reached out to Sheila but had not heard back from her by the end of the meeting.
- Linda will confirm Donte Carter to D.J. the event
- We will use the food truck that we have a \$500 deposit with and Roda will secure it with the truck owner.
- We will try to get water donated but in the worst case scenario we can get it from Costco or Walmart.
- Barbara will brainstorm to come up with a good title for the celebration that will provide recognition for these leaders and will make a fun-filled event that also serves to introduce WWPN to the community, recruit neighbors to join and move the organization forward.
- The need to recruit a secretary was brought up, as well as the need for regular attendance by all board members. We need responsiveness, active participation and enthusiasm to move the needle forward! Therefore during the celebration event, the sign-in / questionnaire sheet will serve the purpose of expanding our membership including board members and committee members as well.
- **New WWPN monthly meetings will be every 2nd Monday of the month at 6:30pm. The upcoming meeting will therefore be May 8th.**

Meeting adjourned at 5:30PM.

Submitted by [Roda Ward Carter](#), Chair WWPN