

University South Neighborhood Association

Meeting Memorandum

February 5, 2019

President Sara Anne Corrigan convened the meeting at 6:30 p.m., and reminded everyone that the building is unlocked, and she is there one-half hour prior to each meeting for socializing and conversation.

The January 8 meeting memorandum was approved.

Treasurer Shannon Stigleman reported a balance of \$315.69 in our bank account.

Officer Chad Diedrich reported no significant criminal activity in our neighborhood. He reminded us to always keep our cars locked. The man going door-to-door asking for money for various reasons has not been reported lately. There have been no further reported "flasher" incidents, and Officer Diedrich said an unmarked police car had been on patrol in the area of Sunburst Apartments, which is not in USNA, as part of the investigation into the "flasher."

Will Carter, In Home Advisor with Best Buy, gave a presentation about the new generation of home security systems. He brought equipment and printed materials for some systems, and explained how each can be installed and maintained. He gave cost comparisons and technical features of the systems. He answered all of our questions, and he is available to be of further help at will.carter@bestbuy.com.

Sara led a discussion about our need for better communication among the neighbors. Keith Rice has done research to determine the owners of the 700-plus homes in USNA.

This valuable information/database will allow us to do a mailing in the future. She also mentioned the possibility of identifying block captains who might agree to be responsible for sharing information in each block. She noted the Feb. 28 general meeting of UNOE will be held at C.K Newsome Center, and the topic is utilizing social media for neighborhood communication.

Our next meeting will be March 5; the original program on landscaping with low maintenance/low water plants has been moved to next month in part to accommodate a more timely neighborhood issue:

Our neighbors in the 600 block of S. Runnymede, have recently learned, entirely "by accident" that a company called Safe Haven plans to turn one of their homes into a halfway house for drug abusers. The neighbors, some of them families with young children, are NOT happy about this. We have encouraged them to come to this meeting so we can educate ourselves about the issue which, in a very real sense, impacts us all.