

West Central Neighborhood Association

Meeting Minutes

June 19, 2023, 7:00pm

Attendance: 29 people

Joel Sauer, President, introduced himself and the board members and the mission of WCNA:

“The vision of the West Central Neighborhood Association is to create a friendly environment that is rich in history, culture, diversity, and community that is valued by its residents, business owners, and visitors.”

Joel discussed that historic preservation is every member’s responsibility. We have to be diligent with watching over our history. Please report all new construction or renovation to the Historic Preservation Committee (or to Joel or any board member, who will pass information along to the HPC) so that they are aware and can ensure that all changes have been approved.

Guest speaker: DeWayne Richardson, Clinical Director of PPG Practices. He is the director of all the walk-in clinics, including the new clinic at Electric Works (1660 Broadway). They are open daily 8am to 8pm and closed on major holidays. No appointments are needed and “on my way” appointments are available. They validate parking for patients using the Swinney EW parking lot.

Types of services provided: mild asthma, minor headache, sprain, strain, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, cuts, sore throat, ear or sinus pain, eye swelling, irritation, redness or pain, minor fever col, rash, minor bumps, sport physical exams. They can refills some medications while you’re waiting to get established with your PCP. There is a lab onsite. The pharmacy will open when they are able to hire a pharmacist. Testing includes: flu, covid, mono, urine pregnancy, RSV, blood sugar, urine screen (not drug screen).

Brochures available for providers at the Electric Works site that are taking new patients.

Q: Is it staffed by physicians?

A: There are physicians and APPs (Advanced Practice Providers)

Q: Is it an urgent care?

A: It is billed as a family practice and co-pays will be the same as going to your family practice. The lab is also a discounted rate as compared to a hospital lab.

Q: Are physician's orders needed for labwork?

A: Some labs are available upon patient request for self-pay. Other labs require physician orders.

Announcement: Friends of the Third World offers printing services at special rates of non-profits. Cards available!

Financial Update: Total income of \$3942.52, mostly from H&G tour sponsors and new memberships. Expenses: \$374.35 Net: \$3568.19

We will be looking to update the Neighborhood Plan soon. If you are interested in this, reach out to Joel to volunteer for this standing committee.

Membership Update: 25-30 new members from the Membership Drive in late May. Total membership is now: 154

See Terry Taylor or visit the website to join if you haven't already! Lots of programs are available to members, including cost sharing for security and home beautification. All details are available on the website.

Tour Update: Over \$14,000 in sponsorships has been secured, all of the music is secured for ArtFest, and the tour stops are going well. We are looking for one more home, but have feelers out already.

See Connie Mettler if you are going to Covington Art Fair and want to bring business cards to solicit applications for artists. Or give Connie any artist business cards and she will do outreach.

The sponsorship committee has a great list of potential sponsors, but if you have an inside connection for a potential sponsor, reach out to Joel.

Pre-presale tickets (yes, that's correct) are on sale now at last's year's price of \$15 during the month of June. Tour stops will be officially announced in July.

The next big ask for the tour will be for docents. This is a great way to be involved AND you get free tour tickets.

The H&G Tour Committee is meeting next Monday (June 26) here in the basement of Emmanuel. The meeting is open to all who are interested in getting involved!

The Neighborhood Block Party is coming up on July 22! Tyler Bowers is organizing and looking for volunteers. Contact him at: tyler.bowers@employeeplansllc.com or (812) 314-1050

Sneak preview of upcoming meetings: Geoff Paddock will be at our August meeting and we are working on getting an Electric Works rep to return

Neighbor reported concern that asphalt has been used to fill a hole in the brick streets of 800 Block of Wilt Street and 1100 Block of Wilt for replacing lead water mains. Brick streets are historically protected. The Board will report this to the Street Dept to ensure they are repaired with brick.

Concluded: 7:35PM