

West Central Neighborhood Association

Board Meeting Minutes

May 12, 2026 6:00pm

Call To Order –6:00 pm

- Attendees: Kelly Benton, Joel Sauer, Anita Kuker, Bethany Pruitt, Jon Paul Pepen
- Absent: Chris Todd, Al Hofer. Partial Quorum present

H&G Tour Update

- We have one house that is close to confirming.
- We had our first committee meeting, next one scheduled
- All food trucks are booked. We are looking at Abstract for the pre-tour party.

Art This Way Mural

- Our \$5k grant was approved for the mural on Broadway and matched by an additional \$5k from Arts United.

Dropbox

- Multiple board members are having trouble logging into Dropbox.
- Kelly will look into this.

Vacant Properties

- Anita brought up concerns about the number of vacant homes in the neighborhood. Suggested finding a way to encourage the owners to sell.
- Kelly shared board past idea to create a spreadsheet to track condition and numbers
- Anita requested that we add this problem to the board's ongoing agenda.
- Bethany will start a spreadsheet.
- Chris suggested education at a membership meeting on what is reportable
 - The code enforcement guy could be a potential guest speaker

No update on Connected Neighborhoods Grant

New Member Swag

- Anita shared ideas for new items for welcome bags.
- Other suggestions included a voucher for a merch item at the home tour, or a ticket to the home tour
- Agreed to start using coffee mugs that we need to clear out of the storage unit
- Will talk about what's next when those run out

Nebraska Neighborhood: Discussion of the city's request for help for Nebraska.

Block Party Update (Anita)

- Two food choices: Church volunteers cook hotdogs and hamburgers
- SRG catering quote for 60 hot dogs and 100 sliders for \$389

- Discussed increasing numbers and keeping burgers plain for kids
- Anita will get chips, cookies, and condiments
- Jon Paul suggested including allergen-friendly options. Anita will ask about this. Or we could have a neighbor bring veggie burgers/gluten free

Home Tour Committee is exploring the option of hiring house cleaners for homeowners, for example give homeowners option of before or after. We could contract with a company/companies. Discussed cost.

Set Agenda for Membership Meeting

- Upcoming events: Neighborhood Cleanup
- Q1 Financials (Chris)

Concluded 7:15 pm