

Heart of the City  
Board Meeting  
Wednesday, October 29, 2008  
7 p.m.  
Craig St., Fort Atkinson

MINUTES

Present: Amy Lutzke, Joan Callan, John Ottow, Kitty Welch, Leslie LaMuro, Ann Engelman, Karen Drydyk, Kathy Kauffman, Beth Gehred, Mary Linton, Bill Camplin

1. The meeting was called to order by President LaMuro at 7:12 p.m.
2. The minutes of the September 4, 2008 meeting were approved unanimously. (LaMuro, Linton)
3. Board of Directors Report: The board set the meeting schedule through May of 2009. The meetings will be: Nov. 19, Jan. 28, March 25 and May 27. These meetings will generally take place on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wed. of the month at 7 pm. The Nov. meeting is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed. and the May meeting will be 6 – 8 pm. Amy will secure the meeting rooms at the library for these meetings. If the library is not available we may meet at the Carpe. The next general meeting is on Monday, Nov. 10 at the Carpe.

The board then outlined the content responsibility for the general meetings as follows:

- November: Public Policy & Gov. Relations program by school district staff
- December: Buy local day
- January: Community potluck – Beth will check with the brunch people, we would like to invite members of Sustain Jefferson, the Fort Garden Club, Friends of Rose Lake and the Rock River Coalition.
- February: Community Projects – program TBD
- March: VP's Choice – Alternative fuel vehicle people
- April: Secretary Choice – Earth Day event
- May: Treasurer's Choice – spring potluck with City Council, Chamber and Industrial Development group
- June: Ed & Out – program TBD
- July: No meeting
- August: No meeting
- September: TBA

4. President's Report – winter farmer's market: Leslie received a letter from a woman who caters brunches with local produce. We may be interested in having her cater a "potluck." Leslie passed the info to Beth.

5. Ed. & Out Report: Karen Drydyk will do a press release for the Nov. 10 meeting inviting the public to this meeting to attend the program by staff of Fort School District.

6. Government Relations report: Members were urged to get out and vote. Jim Fitzpatrick, Dennis Kuckenmeyer and possibly Ardell Wiederhoeft will be at the Nov. 10 meeting to talk about the sustainability initiatives of the school district.

7. Projects: Josie has been very busy with garden stuff: accessibility, new compost bins, plot signs, etc. The recycled trash can project with the schools has stalled. The cans that were decorated have been distributed. This project needs follow-up.

Visioning Report: The members of this committee will meet to plan visioning activities for board meetings.

Fundraising Report: There were no specific details but Beth said she believed we made approx. \$40/week from the farmer's market. That could be as much as \$800.

Programming Report: Nothing noted.

8. Food Pantry aid: When we find out the amount in our account at the Nov. 19 meeting we will determine a cash amount to donate.

9. UW-Extension budget cuts action: Leslie sent a letter on behalf of HOC and other members have sent them too.

10. Membership drive: We will kick off our membership drive at our Earth Day event.

11. Community pot lucks: These were scheduled according to the schedule in Agenda Item #3.

12. New items: Nov. 19 agenda will include a review of the Web site and assigning responsibility for updates. HOC has been invited to be on WFAW on Nov. 13 with Suzanne Wade.

13. The meeting was adjourned by unanimous motion at 9:10 p.m. (LaMuro, Linton)

Respectfully submitted,  
Amy Lutzke, Secretary