

Center City Residents' Association

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors May 15, 2007, 7:30 PM Stevens Center, 2111 Sansom Street

ATTENDANCE CHART

Name/Title	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Jan 22 Special	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
PRESIDENT											
Thomas J. Reilly, Jr.	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	
EXECUTIVE V.P.											
Vivian Seltzer	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	
VICE PRESIDENTS											
Heather Ascher	Present	Excused	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Present	Excused	Present	Present	
JuHwon Lee	Excused	Present	Absent	Excused	Present	Excused	Excused	Present	Absent	Excused	
Frederic Murphy	Present	Excused	Excused	Present	Present	Present	Present	Excused	Present	Present	
SECRETARY											
Paul S. Stavrakos	Present	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Present	Excused	Excused	Present	Excused	Excused
ASST SECRETARY											
Charles Robin	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	
TREASURER											
Joseph J. Dimaio, Jr.	Present	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Excused	
ASST TREASURER											
Neil Gutman	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	
DIRECTOR											
07 Joshua Abbell	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Excused	Present	
09 H. P. (Andy) Anderson	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Excused	Excused	Excused
07 Marjorie Tether Arendt	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Present	
08 Lenora Berson	Present	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Excused	
09 Jeffery L. Braff	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Absent	Excused	
08 William Faust	Present	Present	Absent	Present	Absent	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Present	
08 Jeffrey Hurok	Excused	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Excused	Excused	Present	Excused	Excused	
09 Tim Kerner	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Excused	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Excused	
09 Alexander Klein	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Excused	
07 Michele Langer	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Excused	
08 Kenneth Luongo	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Present	Present	
08 Patricia Mattern	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Excused	Excused	
07 Elizabeth Kay Miller	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Absent	Present	Excused	
07 Laurie Phillips	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Excused	Absent	Excused	Absent	
07 Todd Pride	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Absent	Excused	Present	Present	Excused	

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08 Maureen Sanders	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Excused	Excused	Absent	Excused	Absent	
09 Adam Schneider	Present	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Present	
07 Susan Segal	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Present	Excused	Excused	Present	Present	Excused	
09 Karen L. Senser	Present	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Excused	Excused	Present	Present	Present	
09 Matthew Skolnik	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Present	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Present	
09 Mark Wade	Absent	Present	Present	Excused	Excused	Present	Excused	Excused	Excused	Absent	
COUNSEL											
Stanley R. Krakower	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Absent	Present	Present	Present	
PAST PRESIDENTS											
Louis Coffey	Excused	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Excused	Excused	
Lolly LaGreca	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	
George R. Brodie, Jr.	Present	Absent	Present	Absent	Present	Present	Present	Absent	Present	Present	
Eugene Dichter	Absent	Excused	Absent	Absent	Excused	Present	Absent	Present	Excused	Present	
Samuel Weinberg	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Present	
Wm. J. D. Jordan	Excused	Excused	Excused	Excused	Excused	Present	Excused	Excused	Excused	Excused	
Stephen Huntington	Excused	Excused	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	
Lenore Millhollen	Present	Excused	Present	Present	Present	Present	Absent	Present	Present	Present	
Tama Williams	Absent	Excused	Absent	Absent	Excused	Present	Excused	Excused	Excused	Excused	
Kristin Davidson	Absent	Excused	Excused	Present	Present	Excused	Absent	Absent	Absent	Excused	
CCRA OFFICE											
Alan Levin	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	

I. Rittenhouse Square Music – Jonathan Franks

Mr. Franks spoke about loud music within Rittenhouse Square. The discussion emphasized the difference between excessive loud music and pleasant background music. Present City ordinances are not being enforced. A July 3, 2007, 9:30AM hearing will be held regarding the above. It is recommended that anyone who shares in these concerns attend.

II. Motion to approve April Board minutes. Motion Approved.

III. President’s Report - TJ Reilly

Firsttrust Bank – Reilly reported that Firsttrust pledged a \$2,500.00 contribution vs. \$7,500.00 last year.

Reilly announced that Alex Klein has volunteered to represent CCRA as our Community Court, Ninth Police District Advisory Council and Homeless Representative.

CCRA office moved to 1616 Walnut Street, Suite 705.

IV. Treasurer report – Joe Dimaio

Financials were handed out. The Spring Appeal has generated \$8,500.00. Dues structure may be increased pending further discussion.

V. Zoning Committee – Adam Schneider

Zoning report was handed out and particulars were discussed.

Stanley Krakower discussed the Philadelphia Tribune Newspaper zoning appeal. The ZBA voted in favor of the Tribune. CCRA has appealed the ZBA decision. Arguments should be heard late September.

Motion to accept CCRA Zoning Committee recommendations. Motion Approved.

VI. House Tour – Kate Federico

Federico gave an up-date. Homes and volunteers are needed.

VII. Membership Committee – Todd Pride & Marilyn Conway

No report given.

VIII. Disaster Preparedness – Ken Luongo & Joshua Abbell

Luongo and Abbell attended a meeting headed by Pedro Ramos in which the City reach-out to different non-profit organizations. It was suggested that an article be included within CCRA newsletter and an e-mail to our members with web-site information.

IX. Parking – Michele Langer

No report given.

X. South Street Bridge – Bill Faust

Faust attended a meeting in which PEN DOT outlined what they envisioned as the new South Street Bridge. The bridge is designed wider, allow faster vehicular traffic. Most people attending the meeting felt that PEN DOT presented a poor design. A follow-up meeting is set for May 23, 2007 – 7:00PM at The Philadelphia School.

XI. Crime Mapping – Charles Robin

Robin reported that the Crime Mapping Task Force met and reevaluated Crime Mapping as requested. The Task Force recommends that CCRA provide a carefully worded *letter of support*, but importantly make it known to Professor Plotkin that CCRA does not intend to take the lead in reaching-out to other civic and governmental agencies. The Task Force felt it is important that Professor Plotkin take the initiative in reaching-out to civic, local institutions and governmental agencies. If Professor Plotkin is successful in bringing onboard these institutions, CCRA will again reevaluate our best course of action. CCRA Board suggested telephoning Professor Plotkin to find out if he is still interested in pursuing Crime Mapping. Thereafter, The Task Force will report back to the Board to determine if the letter of support is warranted.

XII. Garden Tour

Pennsylvania Horticultural Society is sponsoring a self guided tour June 2, 2007, 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM.

XIII. Mansion – Stanley Krakower

Krakower reported on the troubles steaming from the Mansion - 128 South 19th Street. The Mansion is allegedly using their private club liquor licenses for non-club members and allowing illegal sexual activity within the establishment. All members are encouraged to help form a body of reports by calling 911 when disruptive activity comes from this night club. 911 calls can be used in a court of law. Also, if Licenses & Inspection issues code violations, these can be used in court. If the above can be corroborated, there is likelihood that the Liquor Control Board will lift their liquor license.

XIV. Boyd Move Theater – Gene Dichter

A portion of the Boyd Movie Theater is being converted into a GAP clothing store.

With no further business, meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charles Robin
Assistant Secretary

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1. Rittenhouse Square Music – Jonathan Frank (5 min.)
2. House Tour – Kate Federico (5 min.)
3. Approval of Minutes of April 12, 2007 Board Meeting
4. President's Report – TJ Reilly (10 min.)
 - Firsttrust Bank
 - PDAC Representative
 - Office Move – Suite 705, 1616 Walnut St.
5. Treasurer's Report – Joe Dimaio (10 min.)
 - Dues Structure
 - Spring Appeal
6. Zoning Committee – Tim Kerner (5 min.)
7. Membership Committee – Todd Pride, Marilyn Conway (10 min.)
8. Disaster Preparedness – Ken Luongo (5 min.)
9. Parking – Michele Langer (5 min.)
10. South Street Bridge – Bill Faust (5 min.)
11. Crime Mapping – Charles Robin (5 min.)