

Minutes of KCA Executive Committee Meeting 7/15/2010

Present: Bob Ellsworth, VP; Leslie Delagran, Treas; Ted Guthrie, Sec; Denis James, Pres.
Members not in attendance: Bill O'Field, Delegate to Federation of Citizens Associations; Joyce Douglas, Delegate to Federation of Civic Associations.

The KCA Executive Committee met to consider two resolutions.

1. After extensive discussion and several friendly amendments to President Denis James' proposed omnibus resolution, on motion by Ted Guthrie, seconded by Leslie Delagran, a quorum being present, the following resolution passed unanimously:

KCA Executive Committee Omnibus Resolution, July 15, 2010

Whereas, the Executive Committee of the Kalorama Citizens Association, in the best interests of the association, and as the elected leadership thereof, hereby resolves the following matters:

To simplify the accounting and book-keeping practices for the association, its CDs shall be cashed in as they mature and be deposited into the PNC Non-Profit checking account, and the PNC Money Market checking account shall be closed and the proceeds placed in the PNC Non-Profit checking account, and

That as long as the KCA uses PayPal for its online bill-paying service through its web-site, whenever the account balance exceeds \$500.00 the treasurer shall make efforts to transfer the excess to the PNC Non-Profit checking account, and

That KCA shall explore the possibility of using PNC's in-house electronic bill-paying service through credit cards, in conjunction with the KCA web-site, instead of PayPal, and

That the EC shall take steps to either update the current KCA web-site, or create a new one, for which the EC shall solicit written bids, and

Recognizing the annual operating deficit of the KCA, the EC and others will explore cost cutting and fund raising measures, with a view to formulating a proposal by October 15, and

All monies in the KCA PNC Non-Profit checking account shall be considered to be in the General Fund, with the exception of donations made to the Biltmore Triangle Garden and the Walter Pierce Park Archaeology Project, both of which are self-financed projects, with the further exception of \$1,352.34 owed to EHT Tracerics, Inc., for the provision of a public presentation on the findings of the Lanier Heights Historic District Survey, as per our contract with them, and

Monies given long ago for purposes that no longer have relevancy should be made available for current uses and/or reprogrammed for other projects as they occur. Any worthy project which suits KCA's various purposes shall be considered by the EC for funding. Use of any KCA funds shall be considered on a case-by-case basis, recognizing the need to carefully use KCA's resources, and

The EC shall decide upon KCA's participation in Historic Preservation and Zoning matters within or adjacent to our membership boundaries on a case-by-case basis. The EC, upon deciding that KCA's involvement in any such matter would be beneficial to its members and the community at-large, shall decide on a case-by-case basis on any representation of the association before any city bodies, boards or courts.

2. The EC then discussed Ann Hargrove's request regarding 1767 Lanier Place NW. After discussion of President Denis James' proposed resolution and one friendly amendment, the following resolution, on motion by Ted Guthrie, seconded by Leslie Delagran, a quorum being present, was passed unanimously:

Resolution on 1767 Lanier Place, NW

Whereas, KCA member Ann Hargrove has requested the following actions with regard to 1767 Lanier Place, NW:

That KCA use its status as a 501(c)(3) with historic preservation as its purpose to nominate the building at 1767 Lanier Place as a Landmark under the DC Historic Preservation Law, and

That KCA pay \$1,500.00 towards the preparation of such a nomination.

Whereas, there was significant opposition from numerous local residents to the KCA conducting the Lanier Heights Historic Resources Survey, and putting forth such a nomination would likely bring such opposition to historic preservation matters to the surface again, and

Whereas, a strictly immediate-neighbors-driven approach would much more likely be effective, with KCA playing no role, and

Whereas, the DC Historic Preservation Office with the Lanier Heights Historic Resources Survey in hand, and staff at its disposal, has the ability to put forth this nomination,

Now therefore, the Executive Committee of the Kalorama Citizens Association hereby declines to take action at this time to pursue a nomination as an Historic Landmark with regard to 1767 Lanier Place, NW.

-Ted Guthrie, Secretary