\* \* DRAKE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION \*\*\*

## MINUTES OF MEETING

Board Meeting Wednesday - 14 May 1986

<u>ATTENDANCE:</u> (Numbers in parenthesis behind name indicate the number of meetings each Director has missed to date.)

Board Members Present:

Gladys Burkhead Roger Hewett (1) Virginia Peterson (1) Cindy Snell Harriet Danielson (1) Vicky Malin Becky Pregler Faye Vilimek Leo Green (2) John Neubauer (1) Roger Schoonover

Board Members Ansent:

Ron Anderson (2) Jim Ryan (2) Tony Cobb (2)

Dee Hanback (1)

Others Present:

Linda Bender (Salv. Com)

Diane Munns (Salv. Com.)

1. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes of 09 April 1986 meeting not availble - will be approved at next meeting.

- 2. Treasurer's Report:
  - A. Balance on Hand End of April

\$5,933.11

- B. A bill for \$100 for hauling from the clean-up on 27th Street was discussed. John Neubauer moved to take this money out of the operations budget; Faye Vilimek seconded the motion. Contributions will repay part of this expenditure. PASSED
- C. A bill was presented by Drake University for \$400 to cover our portion of the Historical District Application. (Already budgeted for 1986). John Neubauer made a motion to accept it, seconded by Cindy Snell. PASSED
- 3. Correspondence:

A letter was received from Mr. Grask concerning Seven-11's cooperation with the neighborhood. They welcome any calls from area residents concerning litter, loitering or anything else. In the letter is the district office's 800 number, which is available for our use. The letter will be on file at the office for future reference. DRAKE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING - 14 MAY 1986 PAGE 2

- 4. President's Report:
  - A. Neighborhood Housing Services will not be moving the house from 25th to 26th Streets because it has asbestos siding. Also, NHS has available loans for exterior painting in the area of 24th to 27th Streets and Kingman Boulevard to University Avenue. These loans are for a maximum of \$3,000 at 3% interest. NHS is also planning to purchase a house in the area to rehabilitate. They will sell it to an owner-occupant at 5% interest.
  - B. Drake Park Playground: Virginia visited with Bill Foley and Steve Drake of the Parks Department about the park. The City has \$6,600 available and would prefer not to spend it all on site preparation. Other comments regarding the Park:
    - 1. The City would be more comfortable buying equipment from an established company as opposed to the Association's building their own. This equipment would have been proven safe already.
    - 2. Becky, Gladys and Virginia will visit other parks with equipment in them on Saturday, 17 May. Parks to be visited include: Gray's Lake, Stone Park, Greenwood School and others (Tot Lot, 4th and Vine).
    - 3. The City could not do any grading until September.
    - 4. The City will first be making the Park accessable to the handicapped with walkway ramps (at corners).
    - 5. Site preparation will cost \$4,000 if contracted or \$2,000 if done by City crews.

The following motion was moved by John Neubauer, seconded by Leo Green: Adopt a policy authorizing the committee to assemble a plan to combine moneys to purchase new playground equipment. The committee will consist of members from the Drake Neighborhood Association's board, City Park's Department, Woodland-Willkie Neighborhood Priority Board and any other concerned group. PASSED

## 5. Committee and Task Force Reports:

- A. The May picnic/pot luck's date was discussed. Date will be published in the newsletter.
- B. Housing: (Reported by Diane Munns)

Mr. Mills' house is going to be painted, and will have new gutters and the porch will be fixed. May 31 and June 1 will be one of the weekends for the painting. The job will probably take two weekends. Publicity will be sent out when we start painting. The clean-up was a great success and thanks to all who helped. DRAKE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING - 14 MAY 1986 PAGE 3

- 5. Committee and Task Force Reports: (Cont.)
  - C. Salvage Committee: (Reported by Linda Bender and Diane Munns)
    - 1. BRICK SALVAGE: Two weekends were necessary to salvage the brick sidewalks on the block across from the post office. Helping the operation by collecting money and waivers o liability, plus supervising were -- Bruce Harland, Mark Snell, Ed Vilimek and the committee. Special thanks go to Ed who was told he'd be there for an hour, which somehow stretched into most of the weekend. We made \$420 total. After expenses, the final amount is \$410.
    - 2. Saturday, May 17, marks another salvage. This is of two houses on 27th Street, which Drake plans to demolish the following week. We will be asking salvagers to donate \$10 to the organization to participate in this salvage. One item, a fireplace mantel, will be sold for more than the \$10 donation. (Salvage to start at 7:30 a.m.)
    - 3. This is the third summer of salvage. This summer, the total number of houses available for salvage could be as high as 10. Salvage is a potential moneymaker for the Association that could get to be \$1,000 to \$2,000 per year. We would like to organize better to make this happen. We need a warehouse to store salvage. Wee need people to salvage. We need people to supervise, to load, to haul and to sell salvage. We need a firm commitment from the Board and we'd like to see some Board members who have not become involved in the Association get involved here. (Jon White is exploring the possibility of remodeling the NHS office to make the basement into a salvage warehouse. he would like the DNA to contribute to the cost of this remodeling Remodeling not possible because of chemicals.)
    - 4. The salvage committee would like to have the \$410 from the brick salvage allocated to the Housing Committee. An understanding was reached that the funds would be allocated when the Housing Committee lets the Board know what project's this money would be used for.
    - 5. With regard to the May 17 salvage operation, the Committee would like the Board to allocate any funds received from that operation to be used for landscaping the lots created from the destruction of those houses. MOTION: By John Neubauer, seconded by Cindy Snell: To allocate up to \$200 of the profits from this project to landscaping the lots created by the demolition of these houses.

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- 5. Committee and Task Force Reports: (Cont.)
  - C. Salvage Committee: (Cont.)
    - 6. The Committee needs someone to remove the ornate fireplace mantel and screen to be sold at a later date. Ditto for two windows which are valuable, if no salvagers claim them.
    - 7. Regarding future salvage: The Committee need's backing and a Board subcommittee to deal with this project. This is a major operation and really should be explored properly, pros and cons. A decision needs to be made if we our going to commit ourselves to the effort. The existing committee - Linda Bender, Diane Munns and Jon White -- feel that this is too big a project to approach in the helter-skelter manner of the past. The Committee cannot commit our time to the effort necessary to organize, supervise and salvage as many houses as are available. This project has grown big enough to almost qualify as a business. If the Drake Neighborhood Association does not feel the effort is worthy of the potential income, we would like to see other organizations or a salvage company be offered the salvage, so all is not lost.
  - D. Historic Committee: (Reported by Linda Bender)

The Committee is exploring the pros and cons of oral histories, a project they have been interested in for several years. A list of what they'd like to ask and discuss has been made. They are contacting a local authority who will be at the next committee meeting to help steer them to the next step. Minutes of the Committee's meeting of 7 April 1986 are attached.

## E. Beautification Committee:

Gladys Burkhead, John Neubauer and Cindy Snell, along with the Housing Committee, will be working on the Community Betterment Award application. The projects for this year will be the 27th Street Clean-Up and the Flower Planting projects.

6. New Business:

Tony Cobb has moved out of town, so a replacement needs to be appointed. During elections last October, Connie Hagerman received the "next-highest" number of votes. Virginia will contact here about joining the Board.

7. Adjourned:

### \*\*\* DRAKE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION \*\*\*

## AGENDA

Board Meeting Wednesday - 11 June 1986 at 7:00 p.m. First Christian Church 25th and University

Roll Call

1. Approval of Minutes:

Board Meeting - 09 April 1986 Board Meeting - 14 May 1986

- 2. Correspondence
- 3. Treasurer's Report
- 4. President's Report

Intersection of 31st & University- Juff Smith Community Betterment Committee - Tour of area Play ground

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St. Drake Park-Jane - June 28 Deadlue - niero . 5:00

5. Committee and Task Force Reports

Beautification - Playground equip.? Communication - Nextpotluck - reporters? Historic - \$224 - 112 lure Housing -Membership -Special Events - FellFest on 27 th Executive Committee FellFest Executive Committee-Task Forces

- 6. Old Business
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8. Adjourn

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#### DRAKE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Board Meeting of July 9, 1986

### BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Gladys BurkheadFaye VilimekRoger HewittCindy SnellBecky PreglerLeo GreenVicky MalinRoger SchoonoverHarriet DanielsonConnie HagermanVirginia Peterson

Treasurers Report: Balance on Hand 6/30/86 \$5,679.31

Presidents Report:

- A. Thank you letter received from Sue Schroeder of Community Betterment-reference tour of 27th Street project.
- B. 24th Street demolitions-letter was written to Cy Carney requesting action. To date, we have received no response from either Mr. Carney nor Ric Jorgensen who was copied with same letter.
- C. Letter received from James Thompson, Director of Traffice & Transportation regarding traffic problems at 30th & 31st & University. Letter stated they had done a survey and at this time, the intersections did not warrant any change. Virginia sent a second letter requesting to know when the study had been done to see if it was done during the time Drake was in session.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

Beautification - Tony is staying in contact with Drake regarding seeding. Drake Park flower beds have been redone and are really nice. Leo Green reported that the bid letting for the 24th street curbs project was to be held July 27.

Communication: Newsletter due out soon. Any info to be included needs to be turned in right away. Items mentioned for inclusion were ice cream social plans, fall fest plans, etc. Historic: nothing at this time

- Housing: City Council Recognition award presented for project on 27th Street. Certificate to be placed at office. The foreclosure date on the 27th Street UFS house has not been pinned down yet. Looks like Sheriff's sale will occur in August.
- Membership- no meeting recently. Are the new members getting a copy of the directory?

#### OLD BUSINESS

- Slide Presentation: contact C. J. Niles and or Barbara Ashton for assistance.
- Park Equipment, Drake Park-Steve Drake hasn't got info together yet. Plans to be smaller than originally designed. Add some for little kids, upgrade the older kids area.
- Bethel Mission update-Looks like they've found a location. Some discussion of the pros and cons of a location. Need for another mission? From neighborhood comments, it seems our neighbors would be more likely to support a center for dislocated families rather than one like Bethel for men only.

Bethel Mission, Con't- Moved by Jim Ryan, Seconded Roger Schoonover that Leo Green pen a letter to be sent from the board to the City Council expressing our concern that they address the problem of the Bethel Mission location. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Fall Fest: Virginia suggested a new format for this event wherein we break down the responsibilities rather than one person handling all. Date decided to be September 20 from 3-8 p.m. We plan to have the fall fest on 27th Street to celebrate conclusion of the year long project there. Some of the assignments decided upon were as follows:

Permits & Street Closings - Leo Green Publicity-Media, posters, etc. -Entertainment ideas: Iserettes (3:00-3:30) Cindy Snell Roosevelt Jazz Band Cindy Snell Refreshments Homes of Oakridge - Faye Vilimek Bake Sale - Kay Heil¢man & Myrtle Navia Childrens games (3:30-4:30)

All times suggested above were tentative and will be discussed at the next meeting.

Adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Vicky S. Malin Acting Secretary

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#### DRAKE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Board Meeting of August 13, 1986

Board Members present:

Gladys BurkheadFaye VilimekCindy SnellVicky MalinConnie HagenmanVirginia Peterson Harriet Danielson

Treasurers Report: Balance on Hand 6/30/86 \$5,679.31 Ice Cream Social: \$246.00 (take-in) 42.00 (expenses) \$204.00 (PROFIT)

Approval of Minutes from July 9, 1986 meeting

## Correspondence

- 1) Response from Cy Carney about four vacant structures near the freeway. Those needing to be secured will be but demolation will not occur because of lack of city funding. A 6 month waiting period is needed before further action can be taken also. It was brought up during discussion that we should follow up again in Feburary.
- 2) Virginia Peterson contacted the traffic department to see when the survey was taken on 30th & 31st & University. The survey was taken while Drake was in session and during both peak times. If the traffic department receives confirmation of additional accidents the matter will be looked into again.
- 3) A permit was received to close 27th street for Fall Fest from 3 to 8 pm.
- 4) A letter was received from the Woodland/Wilkie Neighborhood Festival asking if the Drake Neighborhood Association would like to carry a banner in the parade, supply a game or skit, and set up a table publicizing our group.

Maybe Roger Schoonover can have the banner for Fall Fest ready and that could be used in the parade?

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Beautification- Tony Hayes is working on a green space dedication for the Fun Fest including a Drake representative. She is looking into having the children plant bulbs at the same time. Beverly Ellis and Gladys will be working with the project in the park ... planting, getting the posters out etc. \$150 of bulbs have been ordered for the park. Also Gladys is checking if there is a fine for picking flowers in the park.

- Communication: Harriet needs the news for the newsletter by Friday. The newsletter will contain information about Fall Fest, the August 27th Picnic at Witmor Park, and memberships are due September 1, 1986. Membership brochures will be sent out with the newsletter!
- Historic: If anyone wants to order the Old House magazine, DO IT NOW!! The order goes in next week. If you know of others interested in the Historic committee to help with the tour contact Vicky.
- Housing: Jon White did a write-up about the house at 1113 27th Street, if you know of people interested in the adopt a house program, they can get this information from Jon.
- Membership: New memberships will be received starting now !!
- Publicity/University Relations: Peggy was happy to receive the suggestions for the slide show and is continuing to work on it. Since only two people sent in logo ideas, we will ask again and decide at a later meeting.

### NEW BUSINESS

- Nomination Committee appointment: the board made suggestions and approved the suggestion. Virginia will contact them before the next meeting. Board members should contact Virginia to indicate if they would like to run another year so the committee will not need to contact each current board member.
- Betterment Project: Cindy Snell asked for approval to spend \$75 to prepare the State Betterment Project Application. (motion by Gladys, second by Faye, passed). Roger Munns, John Neubauer, and Cindy Snell are getting the application together for the September 1 deadline
- Governor's Betterment Award nominees will be John Neubauer and Roger Munns for all the work they have done for the community!! (received unanimous approval)
- Library closing: Gladys will be contacting the library board sharing the neighborhood's concern that the library should not be closed.
- Fall Fest!!!!!! SEPTEMBER 20 from 2 until 6
  schedule: (tentitive)
  2:00 Iserettes
  Children's Parade
  - 2:30 Green space dedication and neighborhood recognition
  - 3:00 Games!! both adult and children
  - 3:00 to 5:00 House and Garden tours

(\* Homes of Oakridge will also provide food all afternoon \*) (\*music will also be taking place during the afternoon\*)

Respectfully submitted Cindy Snell, acting secretary

# Minutes of the Drake Neighborhood Association Meeting

# September 10, 1986

The regular meeting of the Drake Neighborhood Association board of directors was called to order at the First Christian Church. The following board members were present for all or part of the meeting: G. Burkhead, L. Green, C. Hagerman, R. Hewett, V. Malin, J. Neubauer, V. Peterson, B. Pregler, J. Ryan, R. Schoonover, C. Snell, F. Vilimek. M. Snell and E. Vilimek were also in attendance.

## **Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting of August 13, 1986 were approved without correction and without formal reading.

# **Treasurer's Report**

The treasurer's report had been mailed previously to board members. Two certificates of deposit mature during September. V. Peterson noted that the Blount Foundation contribution and playground contribution should probably not be re-invested in a certificate of deposit since those funds may be needed shortly. The treasurer's report was approved without correction.

# Nominating Committee Report

M. Snell and E. Vilimek from the nominating committee recommended that Article 9, Sections 4 and 5 the Association's by-laws be amended as follows:

Section 4: The nominating committee shall submit a slate of nominations for all board positions to be filled for two-year terms with the exception of 1986-87 when there will be eight 1-year terms and seven 2-year terms. The slate will be published in the newsletter or a special mailing to the general membership. Additional nominations may be submitted by at least 3 members of the Association and must be received in the Drake Neighborhood Association office within 10 days of publication of the slate of candidates.

section 5: Election of officers and board members shall take place during October. If no additional nominations to the slate of candidates are received, the slate of officers and directors shall be elected as published. If additional nominations are received, the revised slate of officers will be published with a ballot to be sent to the general membership. Ballots must be returned within 10 days to the Drake Neighborhood Association office.

M.Snell said that the amendment would eliminate the "public humiliation" of unsuccessful candidates which occurs in the current election process when winners and losers are announced during of the October meeting. The amendment would also allow more Association members to participate in the election since members would not have to attend the annual meeting in order to cast their ballots. J.Ryan moved that the by-law changes be submitted to a general meeting of the Association. The motion was seconded.

J.Neubauer moved that section 5 of the proposal be amended as follows:

## Section 5:Election of officers and board members shall take place at the annual meeting to be held during October. Ballots may be obtained in advance and returned to the Drake Neighborhood Association office prior to the annual meeting.

The motion was seconded. The motion to amend the Ryan motion was approved unanimously. The amended Ryan motion also carried unanimously.

S.Snell moved that Ryan motion be reworded, changing "submitted" to "recommended". The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

The special meeting to consider the amendment to the by-laws was scheduled for Monday, September 29 at 7PM at a location to be announced in the newsletter. The annual meeting was scheduled for Thursday, October 23 at 6:30 with the location to be announced later.

## Fallfest

V. Peterson circulated a planning sheet for Fallfest. Volunteers were recruited for unfilled assignments. The suggestion was made that special awards be given to Tim Tabor, Linda Ross and Kieth Jayne for their contributions to the 27th Street project.

# Drake Park Playground Equipment

V.Peterson distributed a proposal for the purchase and installation of playground equipment in Drake Park. J.Neubauer moved that the Board authorize V.Peterson to negotiate with the City of Des Moines and the equipment manufacturers in the Board's behalf, using V.Peterson's proposal as the basis for negotiation. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

# The meeting was adjourned

Respectfully submitted: R.Hewett, Acting Secretary

September 29, 1986

Desert Pot Luck Grace United Metodist Church

Those present were as follows:

Roger Hewett Mike Hanback Don J. Morris Imogene Morris Billie Clark Audrey Widestrom Bernadine Widestrom

Myrtle Davis Viola Spratlen Gladys Burkhead Elma Schuchert Fred Malin Vicky Malin Ann Wright

Ric Jorgensen Helen Goodner Homer Goodner Mabel Torreson Mark Snell Virginia Peterson

Purpose of this meeting was to vote on a change in the DNA Bylaws as proposed by the Nominating Committee. (Copy of the proposed change is attached.) After some discussion and explanation by Mark Snell of the Nominating Committee, Myrtle Davis moved to accept the change. The motion was seconded by Gladys Burkhead and passed unanimously by those in attendance.

Mark then presented the Slate of Officers which will be sent to the General Membership thirty days prior to the election time as specified in the Revised Bylaws. Those names were

Two year terms

Bill Greaves, President Peggy Jester, Vice President Ron Carr Melanie Lewis Dick Peebler Todd Elverson Mary Brubaker

Ex-Officio Virginia Peterson

One Year terms

Cindy Snell, Secretary Vicky Malin, Tresurer Gladys Burkhead John Neubauer Leo Green Connie Hagermann Harriett Danielson Faye Vilimek

Ballots will be available prior to election night for those who will need to have absentee votes.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicky S. Malin Acting Secretary September 29, 1986

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Mike Hanback	Viola Spratlen	Helen Goodner
Don J. Morris	Gladys Burkhead	Homer Goodner
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Billie Clark	Fred Malin	Mark Snell
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Respectfully submitted,

Vicky S. Malin Acting Secretary

# MINUTES OF THE DRAKE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETING OCTOBER 8, 1986

The regular meeting of the Drake Neighborhood Association board of directors was called to order at the First Christian Church. The following board members were present for all or part of the meeting: Gladys Burkhead, Harriett Danielson, Roger Hewett, John Neubauer, Virginia Peterson, Jim Ryan, Cindy Snell, and Faye Vilimek. Leo Hejda was also in attendence.

The minutes of the 9/10 and 9/29 minutes were approved without correction and without formal reading.

The treasurer's report was given with cash on hand of 6,144.45. Complete report is included with minutes. The treasurer's report was approved without correction. John Neubauer pointed out that the treasurer's report should contain \$80 deposited for book sales and the Blount Foundation money should no longer be listed on the report because Drake has been paid for the study to be taken.

## PUBLIC/UNITERSITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The committee report was given by chairperson Peggy Jester. Peggy Jester, Roger Munns and Virginia Peterson are working with Village Advertising on a advertising/promotional proposal to promote the neighborhood. The project will forcus on the following points: unique quality of life, young home buyers, diverse population, good schools, location to work center, and caring people. The radio and TV spots will air during the first part of November. Neighborhood Housing Service has agreed to pay one-half of the cost. John Neubauer moved to approve \$300.00 noting that a statement on contract should give the association the opportunity to review all materials before airing. Roger Hewitt seconded the motion. Notion Carried

## DRAKE AREA AWARD APPLICATION

John Neubauer reported that he is working on a sub-committee to apply for the All-American City Award.

# SPECIAL GUEST FROM THE HOUSING CODE OFFICE Leo Hejda from the Housing Code Office, reported on what we can

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do to help the inspectors. All citizens are needed to help build our neighborhood.

## BEUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Gladys reported that 200 flyers were distributed at the park and 16 Drake students helped put them in on the South side of the lake. The bulbs should be arriving at anytime to be planted this fall.

#### COMMUNICATION

Helen Goodyear will be the new communications chairperson.

#### HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

The Christmas tour will be on December 7th from 1 to 4pm. The focal point will be south of Kingman on 29th Street. The committee is not planning to have a bakesale with the tour this year.

## COMMUNITY BETTERMENT PROJECT

John Neubauer reported that the community betterment application has been sent in and is complete. Cindy Snell will be going to the award day celebration in Ames and invited any board members to come also. The board discussed the idea of a booth at the Community Betterment Awards day. Jim Ryan made a motion to have a booth and supply \$25 to cover the expenses of supplies. Faye Vilimek seconded the motion. Passed.

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Virginia Peterson reported that the Drake Playground equipment project is moving, work has begun and the playground equipment will be up in the spring. She also suggested that the DNA look into a part time director like Sherman Hills. Discussion will continue on this issue at budget request time.

The Annual meeting will be held on Thursday, October 23, 6:30 PM at St. Lukes Church.

Jim Ryan made a motion that Becky Pregler's son receive a good boy award for being so good during the meeting. PASSED.

The meeting was adjourned.

respectfully submitted, Cindy Snell, Acting Secretary MINUTES OF THE DRAKE NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD MEETING - NOVEMBER 12, 1986

The meeting was called to order by the president. Members present were: Vilimek, Danielson, Burkhead, Pregler, Hagerman, Malin and Peterson.

Minutes of the October meeting were approved as printed with the addition, "Motion carried" regarding the approval for the Village Advertisers program for radio and T-V commercials.

Vicky Malin, treasurer presented the report for October which showed an income of \$679.30 and expenses of \$266.42. Balance in checking at the end of October is \$2,285.78. The report was approved as printed.

Budget process for 1987 is as follows:

Chairpersons of the committees will be asked to have budget askings to the treasurer by January 5, 1987. The Executive Committee will then meet prior to the January 14 meeting, look over the budgets and make recommendations to the Board for approval and adoption.

President's report: Virginia gave an overview of activities at the Community Betterment Program which was held at the Scheman Center and C.Y. Stephens Auditorium on November 1. It was her recommendation that the association set up a booth again next year. The association received a \$300 award for the Witmer Park daffodil planting project and the twenty-seventh street housing project. Virginia suggested we use the award as seed money for whatever project is chosen for next year. Governor's leadership awards were given to John Neubauer and Roger Munns for their work with the association.

The concept for improving and adding to the Drake Park Playground has been approved by the Parks and Recreation Board. Steve Drake has assured us that the work will begin this fall (if weather permits) or in the spring of 1987.

Committee reports:

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- Beautification The bulb planting has been done at the Greenspace on twenty-seventh street.
- Communication Articles are due for the Newsletter by November 14, so that Harriet can type it and the committee can address and mail by November 18.
- Historic Becky discussed plans for the Christmas tour of homes on Dec. 7 from 1:00 to 4:00 PM. The central meeting place will be the Odd Fellows Hall on Kingman. People will pick up brochures with a map of the open houses, and coffee and cookies will be served. A \$2 donation will be asked. The committee is also beginning the work of oral history interviews.
- Housing The committee met and discussed the focus of projects for the coming year. The group agreed to maintain a "presence" on twentyseventh street and to begin work on twenty-sixth street between University and Cottage Grove. Roger Munns noted that he hopes to work primarily on the abandoned house problem. NHS is continuing efforts to find an owner occupant for the vacant home on twentysixth.

- Membership The committee mailed out renewal letters to those persons who had not signed up for this year. Some additional memberships had been received and some letters had been returned with "address unknown". The largest percentage of memberships were in the supportive bracket.
- Public/University Relations Members on the committee at present are Peggy Jester, Connie Hagerman, Melanie Lewis, Diane Yanney and Ed Vilimek. The current project is to put together a slide presentation about the association. The first presentation will be for a PEO Group in February, and it is hoped other organizations will be interested in using this as a program thereby improving the image of the area.
- Special Events The Halloween Party was a great success with over 100 children in attendance at the Thoreau Center. There were games, prizes and treats for all.

Discussion followed about providing baby sitting at the potlucks during the meeting time. There is a nursery available at St. Johns Catholic Church. Faye Vilimek agreed to take care of the sitter for that meeting, and we would consider at a later time whether or not to pay for this service at future meetings.

Meeting adjourned.

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Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Peterson, Acting for the secretary