BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Carl Mastberg – Andy Mordhorst - Gorden Rolen - Pennie Smith - Skip Vaughn – Bruce West - Heidi White

ABSENT: Excused Chris Beale and Venus Dergan

ATTENDANCE: 10 General members

MINUTES: Motion made by Andy to adopt the January 21, 2015 general meeting minutes. The motion is seconded and approved.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Pennie – The checking account balance is $4,535.43. Expenses this month were $106.28 for newsletter printing and mailing.

CHAIR’S REPORT: School holiday activity support. Supported local schools in food drives and Dominos Pizza through STNC supplied 170 Pizzas and drinks for their good deeds.

MEETING AGENDA:

COP’S MEETING: Officer John Warczak – Officer Warczak said that there was a home invasion in the Arlington area. He said not to open the door if you do not know the person. Ask them what they want through the door and if you are suspicious call 911. A request was made by an audience member to have specific incidences about each neighborhood. Officer Warczak said that if anyone had any questions about an incidence in their neighborhood just give him the day and approximant time and he can give that information.

REPORTS:

City Manager’s Office – Anita Gallagher: Absent

Tacoma Fire – Chief Roger Edington: Spotlight for this month is “Having an out of state contact.” Chief Edington said that having an out of state contact to call and let them know that you are okay will help not to overload 911. Reduce the chance of scold burns by reducing the temperature on the hot water heater to 120 degrees or less, and create kid free zones in the kitchen.

Metro Parks – Kristy Gledhill: Still in the process of the Pt. Defiance master plan. Next meeting will be at the Zoo Education building on Feb 26 at 6:00 p.m. Website Destinationpointdefiance.org for comments. SERA master plan will start soon for a new multi use field. Heidi asked for any updates for the Manitou Community Center. Kristy said that the center is out on the market for sale.

Safe Streets – Gerod Byrd : Absent

South Tacoma Business District – Karen Rich: New business called Papa Eddie’s Deli & Cajun Cafe’ grand opening 2/17/15 and is located at 5640 S Tacoma Way. There is a new barber shop across from Guardian Security call the Tacoma Shave Co. Let Karen know if you would like to be on the STBD email list.
Tacoma School District – Jennifer Traufler: Kindergarten and preschool registration starts March 4th. Questions can be answered at 253-571-1049. School board is getting ready to vote on where the next innovative school will be. Currently there are not innovative schools in South Tacoma or the Eastside of Tacoma. School Board meeting on this issue will be Feb 26th at 6:00 p.m. at Central School. Pennie asked if there could be a presentation about the new Arlington School at the STNC meeting. She will contact Skip via email. Spring break is the March 31 through April 3rd.

Depave Project – Melissa Buckingham: Melissa reported that the depave project at 66th and S Tacoma Way will not be done due to concrete being under the asphalt and the cost would be over their budget. They have moved the location to the Habitat for Humanity building on S Tacoma Way and will depave about 300 feet. The start date for this depave is March 14th from 9-3 and the tree planting will be March 28th from 9-3. Contact Melissa at Melissab@piercecountycd.org.

South Sound Sustainability Commission- Felicity: South Sound Sustainability Expo will be Saturday March 10, 10-3, Convention Center downtown and is free.

Read 2 Me – Issac Olsen with the Tacoma Community House: The Read 2 Me program in our area is at Manitou Elementary and Arlington Elementary. This a one on one tutoring program. Volunteers are needed for one day a week for 45 minutes. The commitment is for the entire school year.

General Membership – No Reports

Neighborhood Council Board – Board Members: Pennie brought 10 copies of the Scholarship for graduating seniors. Pennie wanted to put the word out that the scholarship is available.

Bruce announced that the Edison Clean up will be in April and will have more info later.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Executive Committee – Skip, John, Heidi, and Pennie (Skip Chair): No report
2. Land Use Committee – Chris, John and Gordon: (Chris Chair): At Work.
4. Scholarship Committee – Pennie and Andy (Pennie Chair). No Report
5. Membership Committee – Andy, Carl, Chris, and Pennie (Andy Chair): No report
6. Manitou Community Center Committee – Venus, Andy, Pennie (Andy Chair): No Report

STAR Center – Metro Parks, Kristy Gledhill & Vito Iacobazzi: Kristy spoke on a PowerPoint that was presented about the happenings at the STAR Center. Vito talked about the SERA Master plan and construction will start in June and done by October on the multipurpose field and parking. Andy asked where the Farmers Market will be located at the STAR Center. Kristy said they are still working it out. Heidi asked if the water fall at the front door when it rain has been fix or is going to be fixed. Vito said it has not been fixed yet, but they are working with the Architect to fix the problem. He also indicated it was not a flaw in the design, but an oversight when they were looking at the plans. Heidi wanted to make sure that the tax payers would not have to pay for the fault.

Annual Report: The South Tacoma Neighborhood Council Annual Report documents our accomplishments and goals for 2015 and is required by our contract with the City of Tacoma. Copies were provided for each member to review. The chair requested a motion to adopt the South Tacoma Neighborhood Council Annual Report. Pennie made the motion to adopt the Supplemental Report and it was seconded. The Chair asked for any comments on the report, no comments made. The Chair called for the vote and the motion was approved.
**Supplemental Annual Report:** The Supplemental Annual Report documents the South Tacoma Neighborhood Council accomplishments in greater detail. Copies were provided for each member to review. The chair requested a motion to adopt the South Tacoma Neighborhood Council Supplemental Report. Andy made the motion to adopt the Supplemental Report and it was seconded. The Chair requested comments on the motion and Cathy asked about the bylaws review that did not have any changes. Then she talked about other neighborhood meetings. She wanted after the bylaws were reviewed to have the committee bring the changes in front of the General Membership for any comment and voted on. Skip commented that the review of the bylaws was presented in the minutes for everyone to review. She suggested everything be presented to the General Members before they are adopted. Skip said that the bylaws can be reviewed again this year. Heidi asked Cathy if she would like to be on the committee for the bylaws review. Cathy said that the next time the bylaws are to be reviewed that she would like to be on the committee. Skip asked for any additional comments on the Supplemental Annual Report. No additional comments were made. The Chair called for the vote and the motion was approved.

**OLD BUSINESS:** No Reports

**NEW BUSINESS:** Heidi wanted to let the General Membership know that 20 trees were planted along Tacoma Mall Blvd. from 74th to 78th on the Bates Tech side. The Conservation Crew was a big help along with Bruce and Chris. There is also another volunteer opportunity for anyone that would like to help plant trees on March 7th at the 66th Street Trestle from 9-12.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

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Manitou Representative