BOARD MEMBERS: - Robert Bearden — Beverly Bowen-Bennett - Bill Bonnell –, Andy Mordhorst - Pennie Smith —Heidi White

ABSENT: Excused Kimberly Bernhoft, Venus Dergan,

ATTENDANCE: 0 – All non Board Members non presenters and non- City staff

MINUTES: Motion made by Bob to adopt the March 23, 2016 board meeting minutes. Seconded and approved.

TREASURE’S REPORT: Bob –Same as last report except that the City deposited the yearly $4,000.00 and Bates Tech College gave back the $500.00 scholarship money because it was not used.

CHAIR’S REPORT: Pennie - No Report

MEETING AGENDAS:

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION: Heidi would like everyone to send all newsletter items to Pennie, so she can look it over before sending it to Heidi for publication. Heidi asked not to send the newsletter out so far out and send it about 1.5 weeks ahead of the meeting approx.10th to the 10th. “Did you know”.

COMMITTEE’ REPORTS:

1. Executive Committee – Pennie (Lead) – Bruce, Heidi, and Bob: 257 newsletter mailing. Bob motioned to give Pennie $1,000.00 for the NUSA conference, seconded and approved.
2. Land Use/Clean Ups/Graffiti Committee – Andy (Lead) – Andy said it is taking a long time to get graffiti cleaned up. Arlington/Manitou clean up is July 30 at Bates Tech College on 74th and Tac Mall Blvd. Beverly did some investigation into all the abandoned vacant buildings and homes and wants to do something about it. She has contacted code enforcement and some area representatives and will give update as she gets info back. Possibly have banks come talk about this issue.
3. Scholarship/Awards Committee – Beverly (Lead) – Beverly is having interviews on May 7th at 1 for possible scholarships recipients. Andy will talk to Lincoln about the scholarships. Motion made by Andy to do three $500.00 scholarships this year 2016, seconded, two nays by Heidi and Beverly, motion is approved. Discussion on motion.
4. Membership/Hospitality Committee – Heidi (Lead) – Heidi will bring coffee and Beverly will bring cookies.
5. Bylaws Review Committee - Bill (Lead), Pennie, Andy, and Beverly: Bill has not done them yet, but will go through the soon. Special meeting on bylaws in the future.
6. Communications Committee – Pennie (Lead) – Heidi –Kim: Newsletter; Deadline for newsletter by May 6th. 7 new emails and 4 regular mails added. Pennie said she will ask how long other NC’s keep their paperwork.
7. Community Events – Kim (lead): Kim wanted to set up a booth at the farmers market. Pennie will give Kim info for farmer’s market people. Summer Bash booth.
**NEW BUSINESS:** Bill is finding bags are very expensive for purchase. Pennie suggested nylon bags. Bill is also taking on doing a website for the STNC. Possible name for website could be SoTac.org. Bags and website need logo and Bill has some ideas. P.O. Box was discussed. Possibly have Mount Tahoma’s graphic design dept. do the logo. Pennie will send Bill Tara Shites info for graphic design business. Beverly wants to know what our mission is. Discussion about abandoned homes came up on possible mission.

**Future Agenda Items:** Farmer’s Market and Arlington School update in May. Planning and Construction for Arlington school in June or July.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Heidi White, Secretary
Manitou Representative