

## WARD PARKWAY HOMES ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

FEB. 7, 2012

At Ward Parkway Presbyterian Church, 74<sup>th</sup> Street and Ward Parkway

Present were: president Frank Haar, vice president Alison Baker, treasurer Gaye Tillotson, secretary Jon Rand, Maureen Hardy, Mike Allmon, Dennis Young, Annette Young, Janell Lochke, Sean Wilson.

Mr. Haar called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

Carroll Iorg, former WPHA president, introduced Aaron Deacon from the Social Media Club of Kansas City, Kansas for a presentation -- "Give Us a Gig" -- on fiber-optic service for the metro area.

Mr. Deacon explained basics of a project to lay fiber-optic cable for high-speed Internet, 1,000 gigabits (a million bytes per second), which would be 100 times faster than typical current Internet speed.

However, he was unable to provide answers to questions about availability and pricing. He estimated that Google service would be competitive to other cable companies, perhaps up to \$100 per month.

He encouraged neighborhood discussions on what it would mean to have high-speed Internet, and how to encourage its use in such public buildings as schools, libraries and community centers.

The board then convened its regular monthly meeting.

It was decided to table any endorsement of Google's service until greater transparency was provided.

It was announced that Neighborhood Night Out will be at The Gaf either April 21 or 28.

Ms. Baker made a motion to approve the minutes. They were approved unanimously.

Mr. Haar has booked Royals mascot Sluggerr for the Fourth of July picnic. Mr. Haar also suggested catering with the picnic with barbecue for about 50 adults and 25 children. Mr. Rand said he would check prices at McGonigles Meat Market and report back at the March meeting.

Mr. Haar suggested upgrading welcome packets with Ward Parkway pens or other signature gifts.

Mr. Haar suggested a Royals Night Out for WPHA be held in September with concession credits.

Ms. Baker reported that Christine Meyer will coordinate the Easter Egg hunt

There was discussion on finding a successor to Denny Moser as Dumpster Day coordinator. Mr. Haar was hopeful a volunteer would respond to the WPHA newsletter ad.

Mr. Haar adjourned the meeting at 8:37 p.m.

