

BOLTON NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION June 18, 2007

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 in the Bolton Primary School Cafetorium.

Margaret Allen, Bolton Primary School Principal came to let us know that she will be retiring at the end of this school year. She brought an early Bolton School student body picture given to her by a student at Bolton in 1942 (at that time Bolton School was on the upper side of Hwy 43 at Barlow St.). Margaret has been able to gather most of the class pictures from this present building and some from the former building and has beautifully displayed them in the "Stairway to the Stars" upstairs. We are invited to take a look on our way out this evening. Also the Autograph Mascots from the gym have been saved and you are welcome to have a part in restoring and displaying these.

Margaret thanked Bolton N.A. for being a strong advocate to the School Board for re-opening Bolton as a Primary School. She was proud to tell the School Board at her last meeting what a great decision it was to re-open Bolton. It was done with hardly any money and now is a thriving place for children and families--thanks to Bolton N.A.'s advocacy. She also complimented us on our "Town Hall" meetings which she says are a great example for our kids. She then introduced Holly Omlin-Ruback who will be Boltons new Principal in the Fall and carry on the child friendly atmosphere that is Bolton.

Sam Foxworthy, Street Superintendant for Public Works came to discuss with us traffic solutions at Burns & Hood St. A four way stop is proposed. Enforcing present speed limits and stop signs needs to be more consistent. A 20 miles per hour speed limit is also proposed.

Patti Galle came to tell us of "Project Pooch" which takes "11th Hour" shelter dogs to McLaren Correctional facility where the boys train the dogs for adoption. A study of 100 of the trainers found many years later that not one had re-offended. A fundraiser for this program will be July 14 from 10-3 at the Dog Park at Mary S. Young.

Our concert in the Park Ice Cream Sundaes will be July 25. The volunteers for this will touch base after tonights meeting.

We cannot meet in the school in Summer as the custodians work days. We voted to skip our July meeting and attend some of the city sponsored activities we are already involved in. (Fair, Ice Cream in the Park Concert, Movies in the Park, etc.)

TVF&R was not invited to the Hwy 43 study public meetings but I asked that they attend the second session. They are interested in the possibility of Failing St. access and stated this at the Adult community center. They will keep that option open and push for it. They are now looking at the requirements of the building itself to provide sufficient space, etc. for their needs.

Christina Hammond sent a required letter to BNA about a conditional use application for the Windemere Building to be used as a Montessori School. She is holding her own meeting at the Library July 5, at 6 PM. All interested persons are welcome.

Seth English-Young from Planning Resources came for the required Neighborhood meeting about a 5 lot subdivision at 20425 Willamette Drive which is just South of an earlier 7 lot subdivision which has been approved. Both properties have the same owner. This property contains "The Ray House" which occupied the entire 12 lots when built. It is a 1920 or 30 era Tudor home. The issue now is only the subdividing of the land. It would be about 16-18 months before any building could occur. It was asked that Seth relay the importance of the Tudor house to W.L. history and also that the houses in front of it do not block the view of the house and that all homes mirror the style or that they are designed to blend with and complement the original home.

The Hwy 43 Study Citizens Advisory Group had very little time to look over the one copy of the 60-something page report from the consultants. They were disappointed that the report did not contain items from the 2nd Public Meeting. It is a very preliminary document and they are uncertain as to how to respond.

Suggestions were requested for the type of service we would prefer from the largest restaurant owners at W.L. Central Village. It is to be owned and operated by the Spaghetti Factory company--but not be a Spoggetti Factory. The Marketing Manager requested our input.

A retirement card was circulated for Margaret Allen and was left for her with a bouquet of flowers. It was suggested we also have a quality framed certificate of recognition made for her as she has been so supportive of our Neighborhood Association. Motion Approved.

The minutes of the May meeting were approved as printed.

Bob and Dawn Adams attended the Metro meeting tonight and brought a petition for us to sign regarding the preservation of the Oak Savannah above the I-205 in Willamette.

Sandy Carter has reserved the O.C. Trolley for the Shuttle for Lock Fest (Sept. 22). She requested a donation from BNA for us and Willamette to split the cost of this item. It was moved and seconded that we donate up to \$450. to this cause.

Sally noted that with some consultation with other Bolton members she requested that O.C. Downtown Business Coalition's Flower Basket company come across the bridge and place and maintain two baskets on the new light posts at Mill St. The cost:\$467.60. We hope to spruce up that area (one of our Front Doors!)

As per our by-laws we do not do August Meetings.

Submitted by Sally McLarty, Acting Pres.

30 people signed in

NEXT MEETING September 17