

North Salina Community Development, Inc.

Ad Astra Books and Coffee House

November 20, 2014

Meeting Minutes

The meeting location was changed shortly before it began and because of this the minutes are abbreviated.

Attendance about 25 persons.

Minutes. The minutes of the October 16th meeting were approved with the following correction: Old Business, 501 c(3) application, “ - - - approved and any future donations - - - “ was changed to “ - - - approved and any previous and future donations - - - .“

Treasurer's report. None.

Presentation. Brad Burr discussed a proposed skate and BMX park, which would be located on north Eighth Street. He may be contacted at firemanburr268@gmail.com

Old Business

Prairie Land Food distribution will be November 22nd at the Grand Avenue Methodist church.

Salina Downtown, Inc. report by Melissa Hodges. The annual Parade of Lights is scheduled for November 22nd. Ramona Newsom discussed the NSCD float entry with the theme "Christmas with the Stars." Volunteers are needed to help distribute treats.

Greg Stephens has been the NSCD representative at the SDI meeting and he stated that it might be good to rotate other persons for that duty. The SDI board meets the third Thursday at 7:30 a.m.

Goal Setting report by Greg Stephens. There are 30 - 33 subtopics of goals and 11 now being pursued. Salina Area Technical College students are coordinating with K – State – Salina students and NSCD members in the creation of a brand for the NSCD. A list of suggested brands was distributed and attendees were asked to rank them from 1 to 5.

Fall Fix Up report by Gary Hobbie. About 125 volunteers participated and activities included assembling rain barrels, river clean – up, painting and other projects.

North Santa Fe Landscape Proposal report by Barb Young. Darin White will draw a plan. Attendees voted to approve an expenditure of \$1,000.00 for this project, which would be matched by an anonymous donor.

Hawthorne Park Artwork report by Barb Young. The Mr. Imagination art is not sturdy enough to be placed outdoors so it will be moved to a school.

Deck the House contest report by Mike Wilson. Information concerning this will be published in the Salina Journal next week. Mike will forward this to persons on the NSCD email list.

New Business

Salina Community Theater report by Mike Wilson. Discount tickets for "A Christmas Story" are available for the November 29th and 30th performances. An advertisement was posted on the NSCD Facebook page.

December NSCD meeting report by Mike Wilson. This will be held in the **Prescott Room of the Salina Public Library** since the Salvation Army Community Center has numerous activities in December.

K - State – Salina Civic Engagement Grant report by Greg Stephens. Students will canvass north Salina businesses. David Norlin discussed other projects involving students.

Open Forum

Brenda Gutierrez discussed food insecurity in Salina. She also suggested that the NSCD might want to start a coffee and discussion time during the day similar to the "Coffee with a Cop" program.

The **next meeting** is scheduled for December 18th in the **Prescott Room of the public library.**