

Mesquite Ranch Neighborhood Association
Monthly Meeting
May 3, 2006

The Monthly Meeting of the Mesquite Ranch Neighborhood Association was held on Wednesday, May 3, 2006 at Desert Sky Middle School, 9850 E. Rankin Loop, Tucson, AZ.

Members present: 40

I. Call to Order

- President Randall Pierce called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.
- Secretary David Jones conducted a roll call. Bill Hughes was the only board member absent. A quorum was noted for the record.

II. Approval of Previous Month's Minutes

- Minutes of previous month's meeting were approved by the board.

III. Call to Audience

- Thank you was expressed to Sam Hagadorn for his work on the community yard sale.
- A resident asked about announcements of meetings in the Arizona Daily Star. The paper gets its information from the City of Tucson's Department of Neighborhood Resources.
- Residents expressed thanks for the replacement of the street sign at Bilby and Metropolitan.
- There is a request for a stop sign to be erected at the intersection of Metropolitan and Poorman.

IV. Special Guest Presentation

- John Carruth, Assistant Superintendent from Vail School District, and Connie Erickson, current Principal at Mesquite Elementary and future principal at Senita Valley Elementary, were the special guest speakers.
- John Carruth informed residents that the name of the elementary school to the east of Mesquite Ranch will be Senita Valley Elementary School. The school mascot is the Mustang.
- John Carruth then provided a history of the school district's interaction with Diamond Development regarding secondary access to the school
- Three options were given for secondary access to the school from Marquette Street.
 - Vehicle Access 24 hours a day
 - Vehicle Access during school hours only
 - No vehicle access except for emergency vehicles
- John Carruth and Connie Erickson answered questions from the audience.

V. Discussion and Vote on Senita Valley Elementary School Secondary Access from Marquette Street

- Residents discussed the various options listed above.
- A vote was taken on the three options. Below are the results.
 - Vehicle Access 24 hours a day – 3 votes

- Vehicle Access during school hours only – 2 votes
- No vehicle access except for emergency vehicles – 34 votes
- President Randall Pierce advised residents that the voting will continue during the June 7 meeting to include residents who were unable to attend the May meeting.

VI. Officer or Committee Report

- Community Service
 - Community Yard Sale: 41 homes participated
 - Trash Dumpsters will be available until May 8.
- Traffic and Safety
 - It was noted that signs are disappearing in the neighborhood.
 - It was also noted that speed signs were needed within the community to inform drivers of the speed limit.
- Newsletter
 - It was noted that the next newsletter would feature Mesquite Ranch youth achievers. Randall Pierce requested that anyone knowing an achiever could submit an article to recognize them in the newsletter.

VII. Old Business

- Ward IV Citizen Design is in progress

VIII. New Business

- Change Day of Mesquite Ranch Neighborhood Association meetings to the first Tuesday of the Month. There were no objections to this move.
- Paint for Graffiti Abatement will be picked-up and stored for future use in the neighborhood.
- Ward IV Back to School Bash is scheduled for Saturday, August 12. MRNA will assist in this event.
- Mesquite Ranch Homeowners Association Annual Meeting
 - Residents were encouraged to attend the meeting on May 11 at Desert Willow Elementary School.

IX. Election of Board Members

- The Board of Directors voted to elect new board members. The following residents were nominated:
 - Charles (Chip) Ellis
 - Sylvia Katvala
 - Keith Miller
- All three nominees received votes from the majority of the residents attending and were elected as Board of Directors for the Mesquite Ranch Neighborhood Association

X. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.
- The next meeting of the Mesquite Ranch Neighborhood Association will be held on June 7, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. at Desert Sky Middle School, 9850 E. Rankin Loop, Tucson, Arizona

Respectfully submitted by:

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