

**ANC5E  
Monthly Meeting  
Tuesday, October 15, 2013  
Trinity College  
7 pm**

*Commissioner Barnes began the meeting at 7:05 pm*

**Roll Call** – Commissioner Quinn  
Present:

**Attendance**

<b>Commissioner Smith-Steiner</b>	<b>PRES</b>
<b>Commissioner Robinson-Paul</b>	<b>PRES</b>
<b>Commissioner Barnes</b>	<b>PRES</b>
<b>Commissioner Quinn</b>	<b>PRES</b>
<b>Commissioner Pinkney</b>	<b>PRES</b>
<b>Commissioner Blanks</b>	<b>PRES</b>
<b>Commissioner Foster</b>	<b>PRES</b>
<b>Commissioner Mueller</b>	<b>PRES (late)</b>
<b>Commissioner Underwood</b>	<b>ABS - Excused</b>
<b>Commissioner Love-Davis</b>	<b>ABS - Excused</b>

**Bate Area Civic Association Presentation**

**Commissioner Robinson-Paul motioned to take this item off the agenda.**

**Motion failed. Discussion:** Commissioner Robinson-Paul stated that this presentation was not presented at the Hanover Civic Association or any other community group. Commissioner Quinn said doesn't see why we cannot hear the presentation; No vote was requested prior to the presentation to be taken at this meeting. It was 2<sup>nd</sup>; Motion failed

Roll Call

Commissioner Smith-Steiner yes

Commissioner Pinkney no

Commissioner Robinson-Paul yes

Commissioner Quinn no

Commissioner Foster no

Commissioner Mueller no

Commissioner Barnes no

Commissioner Blanks no

**Motion by Commissioner-Smith Steiner to add web postings to the agenda; It was 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion passed**

Commissioner Smith-Steiner spoke about the outcome of the hearing. [She stated how the OCF had a hearing on the misguided posting by Michael Henderson to the ANC 5E website. Commissioner Smith Steiner asked that the complaint and OCF determination letter be posted to the ANC 5E website](#)

### **Boston Academy**

Commissioner Barnes motion to add Boston Academy to the agenda (*no official vote was taken*)

### **Agenda**

**Commissioner Quinn motioned to accept agenda as stated; It was 2<sup>nd</sup>; Motion passed.** Commissioner Robinson-Paul opposed because this presentation was not presented at the Hanover Civic Association [or any other community group](#).

### **Public Safety Report**

#### **Sgt. Queen (Supervisor for PSA 502)**

Discussion

Just coming out of summer initiative; crime reduction in PSA 502 (2<sup>nd</sup> in the District right behind PSA 501); 27% crime reduction overall; number to call is 202-425-2012 (Lt. Ronald Wright). [Ronald.wright@dc.gov](mailto:Ronald.wright@dc.gov); Commissioner Smith-Steiner asked about Unit Block of Girard Street; resident asked about attack on women on joggers and metro riders; Commissioner Pinkney said she saw increased presence; Michael Henderson from Edgewood thanked the Sgt. for the summer initiative and reduction in crime in Edgewood

### **Financial Report – See Attached (No Attachment)**

**Commissioner Smith-Steiner motion to accept the financial report; It was 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed**

**Commissioner Smith-Steiner motion that ANC5E have printing at the Arc (one of the suggested Ward 5 printers); it was 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion passed**

**Discussion:** There was a discussion about which local printers to use;

Commissioner Robinson-Paul [stated how no Commissioner had received the financial report before voting; she](#) wants each Commissioner [and the public](#) to get a copy of the financial report

### **Minutes**

**Minutes for April May June; Commissioner Pinkney motion to approve them with Commissioner Smith-Steiner's changes; 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion passed**

### **Website**

**Discussion:** Commissioner Smith-Steiner motion to add links to website about what we are doing in our own SMD's; Commissioner Quinn said better to have that conversation in a COW meeting. [Commissioner Smith Steiner stated how the April minutes are incorrect.](#)

## **By-Laws**

**Motion to table the by-laws; 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion failed; motion to approve the amendments to the by-laws; 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion passed.**

**Commissioner Smith Steiner stated how the Bylaw does not hold any officer accountable for the positions which they hold. Commissioner Smith Steiner stated how she did send over Bylaws for consideration to Commissioner Pinkney, Commissioner Smith-Steiner stated that the submission was not inserted.**

## **Web postings**

**Discussion:** This happened at our June meeting. Michael Clark brought to the commission that a political posting had been posted on the ANC5E website; he wanted it investigated. This did not happen, a formal complaint was sent into the Board of Ethics; the Office of Campaign Finance had a formal meeting last month; The OCF made a recommendation to fine ANC5E; fee was waived.

Commissioner Smith Steiner mentioned how no information was being posted to the ANC 5E Website. She asked the Commission how much we are paying the Webmaster, Michael Henderson, Commissioner Quinn responded: \$1,000.00 for the year. Commissioner Robinson Paul raised the question why the Webmaster has no contract and he should.

**Howard University** – Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>; parade route; parade starts 10 am- 12 noon; gave handouts; please come out and support Howard University. The parades route was handed to Michael Henderson for posting.

## **DC SEU**

**Discussion:** Hasim Dawkins - Helps businesses and community go green; all income levels; make upgrades to your property; green jobs for DC residents; reduce energy consumption across DC; supported through a surcharge on your utility bill; rebates on furnaces and hot water heaters; to apply must do energy audit; use certified contractors; solar panels; 202-479-2222

## **Howard University**

**Commissioner Quinn motion to accept the resolution to support their request; 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion passed**

**Discussion:** There was a request of amend the campus plan to include square footage for expanded dining facility; need further exception/processing as well; presenters provided slide show of the site; two-story dining addition; Commissioner Pinkney asked about the rent; it would be part of the total cost room and board; just for the students; Commissioner Smith-Steiner asked them to send a PDF to Michael Henderson to post on the ANC5E website

## **Shaed Elementary**

**Commissioner [Smith Steiner](#) motioned to support Shaed building to be converted into a [recreation](#) center. 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion passed**

**Discussion:** Commissioner Blanks – Many residents asked that it become a rec center; and not a charter school; Pat Fisher spoke about the history of Edgewood asking for it to be a recreation center.

### **Illegal Parking Lot**

**Motion by Commissioner Quinn to support the resolution presented by Geovani Bonilla; 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion passed**

Commissioner Smith-Steiner abstained

**Discussion:** Bated Area Civic Association – Geovani Bonilla; wants to bring the right District agencies to the table to be accountable; [in accordance to the ANC handbook](#), Commissioner Robinson-Paul [stated how](#) resolutions are [to be brought before the Commission by the ANC Commissioner not a Civic Association nor any other community groups within each SMD](#). [Commissioner Robinson Paul also mentioned how the property in question sits in the Hanover Civic Association's boundaries](#). [A community resident s spoke out about damage to homes and who is responsible](#). [Commissioner Robinson Paul asked the resident who spoke "Should we place the blame on CAPS or any agencies performing "constructions" within the area such as the building of the new Dunbar School; PEPCO's community repairs ; the condo building, and /or DC Water community repairs which included digging throughout the community maybe the blame of flooding within the neighborhood. Instead of CAPS, it could have been one of the agencies mention. How would you know who is responsible?"](#)

### **PEPCO rate increase**

**Motion to not support PEPCO rate increase 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion passed**

**Discussion:** Office of the Peoples Council asked ANC's to oppose rate increase; Commissioner Quinn stated that she cannot support a rate increase while neighbors sitting in the dark

### **Proposed Zoning Revisions**

**Motion to delay the zoning review process; 2<sup>nd</sup>; Motion failed**

**Discussion:** Commissioner Quinn stated that she does not know what else the zoning commission can do to get the word out; Scott Roberts stated there may be some "obstructionists" working to delay the revisions

Roll Call

Commissioner Smith-Steiner yes

Commissioner Pinkney yes

Commissioner Robinson-Paul yes

Commissioner Quinn no

Commissioner Foster no

Commissioner Mueller abstain

Commissioner Barnes abstain

Commissioner Blanks no

Motion failed

## **Edgewood Sidewalk Repairs**

### **No action taken**

**Discussion:** Walter Tersch – Request for sidewalk repairs – health and safety repairs to the sidewalks; already doing monthly cleanups and notice many places where sidewalks are buckling or there are no ramps; elderly can easily trip etc; prepared a petition for blocks in Edgewood; collected 60 signatures already; also presented to the Edgewood Civic Association and they voted unanimously to support sidewalk repairs; working with Councilmember McDuffie’s office as well; Commissioner Smith-Steiner asked about individuals coming before the Commission; Commissioner Blanks and Mr. Tersch discussed communicating with one another; Commission took no action

| **Motion [by Commissioner Smith Steiner](#) to support Wired Indoor Cycling Business; 2<sup>nd</sup> motion passed**

| *Commissioner Robinson Paul left at 9:10; returned at 9:21 [did not vote on above item](#)*

**BZA Case # 18667 Dental Office – 45 Franklin Street NE; St. Elmo Crawford Jr. [Commissioner Smith Steiner](#) motion to support; 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion passed**

## **Bloomingdale House Tours**

**Discussion:** Jacquelyn Bengfort HT Grants Committee Chair; will have history kiosks on the tour; celebrating art scene; ANC5E does not have a grant process in place; Michael Henderson asked them to be careful about handing out money and that the process is the same for each applicant.

## **Boston Academy**

**Commissioner Pinkney motion to support Boston Academy becoming Friends of Edgewood; motion passed**

| **Commissioner Mueller motioned to pay bills. Motion passed [Bills need to be listed](#)**

**Motion to Adjourn (9:18 pm)**