

**COMMUNITY APPEARANCE BOARD  
CITY COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM – 8<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR CITY HALL  
100 NORTH ANDREWS AVENUE  
FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11, 2012 – 5:30 P.M.**

<u>BOARD MEMBERS</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>CUMULATIVE</u>	
		<u>01/12-12/12</u>	
		<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Barbra Stern, Chair	P	4	0
Marilyn Mammano, Vice Chair	A	3	1
Jonathan Arbogast	P	1	0
Franci Bindler	P	4	0
Jason Blank	P	4	0
Marni Canavan (arr. 5:51)	P	3	1
Carol Cappadona	P	3	0
Tom Catalino	P	3	1
Karen Doyle (arr.	P	3	1
Ayisha Gordon (arr. 5:51)	P	4	0
Kenneth Green (arr.5:51)	P	2	2
Christine Jones	P	4	0
Ryan Paton	P	3	1
Cara Pavalock	A	3	1
Tamara Tennant	P	1	0
Greg Stuart	A	1	4
Barbara A. Van Voast	P	3	1

As of this date, there were 17 appointed members to the Board, which means 10 would constitute a quorum.

**Staff**

Reina Gonzalez, Staff Liaison  
Rafeela Persaud, Recording Secretary, City of Fort Lauderdale

**Communications to City Commission**

None.

**Call to Order**

- **Roll Call**

Chair Stern called the meeting to order at 5:39 p.m. Roll was called and it was noted a quorum was present.

**Chairperson's Report**

- **New Member Tamara Tennant**

Ms. Tennant is an interior designer for mostly high-end residential and some commercial work, and the President of the Riviera Isles Homeowners Association.

The Board welcomed Ms. Tennant to the meeting.

- **New Member Jonathan Arbogast.** Mr. Arbogast has been residing in Fort Lauderdale for the past 4-1/2 years and is an undergrad in Political Science. Mr. Arbogast stated he really cares about the aesthetics of Fort Lauderdale and is looking forward to working with the Community Appearance Board.

The Board welcomed Mr. Arbogast.

- **Approval of Minutes from March 14, 2012 Meeting**

**Motion** made by Ms. Bindler, seconded by Mr. Catalino to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2012 meeting. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

- **Approval of Minutes from Special Meeting March 31, 2012 Meeting**

**Motion** made by Ms. Van Voast, seconded by Ms. Jones to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting March 31, 2012 meeting. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

Mr. Catalino exited the room at 5:42.

Chair Stern thanked everyone for participating in the tour and stated she is looking forward to the annual event.

### **Treasurer's Report**

The Board's subsidiary account has a balance of \$1,398.28, after the approval to move \$3,600 from the subsidiary to the operating account to cover the charges for the Annual Event venue.

### **Liaison's Report**

Ms. Gonzalez advised that there will be a training regarding Sunshine Laws, Public meetings, etc., for Committees and Boards on May 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:45 p.m., and everyone is encouraged to attend.

Chair Stern advised volunteers are needed to work on the WOW award for District I which was due to the Liaison on April 11, 2012 and the two members responsible have resigned. Mr. Blank and Ms. Bindler have volunteered to work on the WOW award for District I, which is due on May 9<sup>th</sup>. It was decided Ms. Stern and Mr. Arbogast will work on the May WOW award for District 2. Ms. Jones will work on the June WOW award for

District 3. Ms. Gonzalez will assist on identifying Ms. Jones a partner to work on the WOW.

Mr. Catalino and Ms. Doyle entered at 5:48 p.m. with two orchid arrangements as an example of what the Home Depot will be donating for the annual event. Mr. Green entered at 5:51 p.m.

Discussion followed regarding the categories from the tour on March 31, 2012. New Construction and Renovation in the Special Project Category which in previous years were separated, are now consolidated due to prior years not having enough applications.

Marni Canavan and Ayisha Gordon arrived at 5:51 p.m.

**Motion** made by Ms. Bindler, seconded by Ms. Van Voast, to break the Special Projects into two sub-categories – New Construction and Renovation.

Mr. Blank questioned the properties being moved into separate categories after the scoring has been done. Discussion followed on how the scoring was done which should have been the overall appearance of each project and score each project based its own merits.

In a voice vote, the **motion** passed 13-1.

Chair Stern complimented Ms. Doyle on the orchid arrangements to be donated by the Home Depot who is a large sponsor of the Community Appearance Board and look forward to furthering relationship in the future. Ms. Doyle stated the small floral arrangement, valued at \$50, is now donated to the monthly WOW award winner and for the annual event, the Home Depot will donate ten floral arrangements for each cocktail table and one large arrangement for the buffet table. Ms. Doyle suggested members in charge of decorations, should visit the Home Depot a couple of days earlier to the event in order to pick the colors. Chair Stern said in addition to the two comp tickets previously approved for Home Depot, she would like to entertain a request to have two additional tickets, a total of four tickets to attend the event. Ms. Gonzalez suggested getting an additional large arrangement for the buffet table.

**Motion** made by Ms. Jones, seconded by Tom Catalino to comp two additional tickets, for a total of four tickets, to Home Depot for the event. In a voice note, the **motion** passed unanimously.

### **Annual CAB Event 2012**

Chair Stern said volunteers are needed for the May 10<sup>th</sup> event, starting at 5:30, but should plan to be there by 5:00 p.m. All volunteers, Ms. Bindler, Ms. Van Voast, Ms. Jones, Ms. Pavalock, Ms. Tenant, Ms. Canavan and Ms. Stern should be there by 5:00 p.m. (Ms. Doyle stated she will be relief volunteer) and all other members should be there no later than 5:30 p.m. Everyone, including Board Members must purchase

tickets, \$30 in advance and \$35 at the door; invitations will be printed and mailed out the following week.

Chair Stern advised the cost for the Business Awards has been increased from \$350 to \$380.

**Motion** made by Mr. Blank, seconded by Ms. Jones, to approve the additional expenditure for the cost of the Business Awards, from \$350 to \$380.00. In a voice note, the **motion** passed unanimously.

Chair Stern explained \$500 needed to be allocated for printing and mailing of the invitations.

**Motion** made by Mr. Catalino, seconded by Ms. Canavan, to approve the \$500 expenditure for printing. In a voice note, the **motion** passed unanimously.

Chair Stern asked the following members to participate as speakers for the different categories at the event: Mr. Payton - Neighborhood Recognition; Ms. Canavan - Neighborhood Association, Ms. Mammano – Business Awards (Mr. Blank as a backup since Ms. Mammano was not at the meeting); Mr. Blank - WOW of the Year award. Ms. Doyle suggested a seasoned board member shadow Mr. Docen, the photographer during the cocktail party.

### **New Business**

Mr. Blank asked about the FAT Village Art District in Fort Lauderdale. Mr. Blank has met with the owner of all properties and some of the artists. Mr. Blank read Ordinance C-96-65, Section 3, Subsection A and asked the Board to consider in sponsoring the FAT Village Art District which he believed the art work furthers the improvement of the overall community appearance of the City of Fort Lauderdale and proposed the Board consider sponsoring the monthly art work by trying to promote the event. Discussion followed as to whether the Board was allowed to promote businesses, the purpose of the board and whether the art district was a Community Appearance type function. Ms. Gonzalez suggested Mr. Blank write a proposal to be reviewed by the City's Legal Department.

### **Adjourned**

**Motion** made by Mr. Catalino, seconded by Ms. Gordon, to adjourn meeting. In a voice note, the **motion** passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

[Minutes prepared by Rafeela Persaud]