



Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting March 14, 2017

Steve Weiss called the meeting to order at 7:16 pm. A quorum was present.

Members Present: Steve Weiss, Chris Nelson, Shannon Waterfield, Christy Cardenas, Vi Daley, Jordan Matyas, Karen Pfendler, Robert Jones, Hans Pusch

Members Absent: Dee DeCarlo, Karl Hjerpe

◆ **Approval of Minutes:** December 2016 and February 2017 minutes approved

◆ **Treasurer's Report:** Christy Cardenas

OTTA P & I Budget Performance thru - Feb. 28, 2017

	<u>Jun 13</u>	<u>Aug '12 - Jun 13</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
001 · Association Revenue	529.36	5,189.68	12,200.00
019 · Program Revenue	1,130.00	38,295.88	57,250.00
250 · Fund Raising Events	0.00	0.00	37,125.00
330 · Art Fair Revenues (Art Fair Master Account)	12,790.25	60,253.92	430,650.00
Total Income	<u>14,449.61</u>	<u>103,739.48</u>	<u>527,100.00</u>
Gross Profit		103,739.48	527,100.00
Expense			
060 · Association Expenses	6,158.88	78,734.03	107,148.00
050 · Occupancy Expenses	2,527.65	26,923.58	37,096.00
040 · Program Expenses	8,245.31	50,213.88	85,706.00
230 · Neighborhood Improvements	585.57	25,237.47	53,900.00
270 · Fund Raising Event Expenses	5,000.00	5,000.00	14,000.00
300 · Art Fair Expenses	2,128.91	5,785.30	115,150.00
090 · Contributions Expenses (Grants given)	0.00	0.00	51,000.00
090 · Contributions Expenses (Menomonee Club)	0.00	191,894.26	63,100.00
Total Expense	<u>24,646.32</u>	<u>-88,154.78</u>	<u>527,100.00</u>
Net Ordinary Income	-10,196.71	-88,154.78	0.00
Other Income/Expense			
Other Expense			
128· Ogden Plaza Renovation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
125· LW years of service payment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$30,030.00
126· Legal Fees-Defend HD/PZ	\$2,360.00	\$5,494.00	\$10,000.00
126· Landmark Status Fees-Arch Write-up HD/PZ	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
127· Capital Improvements to OTTA	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$21,700.00

Total Other Expenses	\$2,360.00	\$5,494.00	\$81,730.00
Net Other Income	-\$2,360.00	-\$5,494.00	-\$81,730.00
Net Income	-\$12,556.71	-\$93,648.78	-\$81,730.00

planned overspend

- **President’s Report: Steve Weiss:** No report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Art Fair Committee: Vi Daley: Friends of the Art Fair letters going out; first Sight is May 21st; Art Fair web site is up and running; poster has been selected; everything else is going well.

Capital Improvements: Hans Pusch: Still waiting for the specifications regarding the back porches.

Education & Outreach: Hans Pusch (reporting for Karl Hjerpe): Had their first meeting was March 9th; set ground work for moving forward; they refined the committee mission: to promote the historical and cultural heritage of the OTT; 3 goals: a) highlight historic heritage on the new web site and the newsletter; b) share our heritage with the general public; c) celebrate our heritage; projects to accomplish: finish & maintain Historic Photo Gallery on the web: digitize all the Art Fair posters to the web site: build digital data base for all buildings in the landmarked district; work on walking tour app(s)for the Triangle: update the street signs designating the Landmarked District: submit interesting newsletter articles promoting our historic, architectural and cultural heritage: the committee decided to change their official name to *Community Preservation and Outreach*; Hans so moved to change the committee name; there was no second---the committee name remains unchanged.

Committee members are: Michelle Byerley, Anne Giffels, Diane Gonzalez, Claire Leaman, Laura Meyer, Mary Morony, Karen Rogulja, Cyndy Shores, and Karl Hjerpe, Chair.

Events Committee: Steve Weiss: Easter egg hunt the day before Easter in the North Ogden play lot for ½ an hour. If you find the egg with gold ticket you’ll get a big chocolate eater bunny.

Grants Committee: Robert Jones/Dee DeCarlo: Committee had their first meeting week of March 6th; will assign applicants to individual committee members and then will hear presentations for 4 days in April.

HD/PZ Committee: Jordan Matyas: 1st official meeting was tonight—meeting went well; committee passed a resolution regarding the use of *Hardie Board*:
 ‘WHEREAS the Old Town Triangle Association (“OTTA”) is a community-based, not-for-profit organization dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for residents who live in an area of the city bounded by North Ave., Clark St., and the ghost of Ogden Ave. (“The Triangle”): and
 WHEREAS the OTTA is committed to preserving the architectural and historical integrity of buildings in the Triangle,
 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE OLD TOWN TRIANGLE ASSOCIATION – HISTORIC DISTRICT PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE: that any exterior restoration or renovation of a framed home within the OTTA shall utilize wood clapboard. The use of *Hardie Board* or any alternative product is not consistent with the historic structures of the OTTA. The OTTA opposes the use of *Hardie Board* or any alternative product on the façade of a house.

Use of wood is strongly encouraged on the sides and rear of the house, however, in some cases, the use of *Hardie Board* or any alternative product may be required or recommended by the City of Chicago.'

Committee members are: Jordan Matyas, Chair and Patrick Donovan (building code and zoning experts); Diane Gonzalez (historian); Phil Graff, Karen Rogulja, and Sachi Kubo (permit monitors); Phyllis Hall, Nancy Joyce, and Karen Stephenson (real-estate monitors); Shannon Waterfield (neighborhood coordinator);

Committee considered a proposal for 215 & 217 Eugenie regarding a garage which HDPZ approved; 328 Willow returned regarding the use of hardie board---when the owner appeared at Landmarks she requested approval to use this material on all 4 sides; HDPZ will inform Landmarks that they are recommending only 1 side use of hardie board....on the side that has a fire shield...the other 3 sides s/b clapboard; the HDPZ retained Terry Tatum to do the Wells St. Mid Century research; Diane is going to do a large portion of necessary research thereby allowing the cost to be reduced by 25%; 1639 North Park has petitioned hardship to allow them to tear down the structure since they can't get enough money for the property---the city is the main plaintiff and we are a co-plaintiffs (some legal costs involved); we've been able to delay the demolition of the 1630 Sedgwick property but it will probably be torn down in 2 months; there were a number of complaints about the owners of unit 2 N 1763 North Park who decided to gut and replace their bathroom and install a new window using frosted glass without securing a permit (may be facing possible fines); 1720 Sedgwick---they removed too much of the building---almost the total façade...a cease and desist order has been put in place...the Alderman's office is very upset....there isn't much left of the building to save; the Alderman will not agree to a tear down.

Membership Committee: Chris Nelson: 669 members---have lost some-- haven't gained many new members; the membership database is moving along; it is in the design phase now---it's a web based format.

Neighborhood Improvement Committee: Shannon Waterfield: NIC is working on our first project---Spring Clean-up; our tree projects will be up and running soon; Robert & Shannon met with Alderman Smith to review a kind of state of the area meeting; safety forum to be held at Latin; Smith will continue to work closely with our association; Karen clarified that the Alderman didn't give us \$100,000 for trees--our trees program is a pilot program with the city which will allow us to put up to \$100,000 in an escrow account with the city---we will select trees, their genus and location to be planted---the city will purchase the trees at their cost with no permit fees assessed to NIC---the city will do the stumping, and planting. We plan to start out putting \$5000 into this account to see how it works for us. It is a one year pilot program.

Youth Committee: Weiss/Waterfield: No report

Arts & Operations Director's Report: Barb Guttmann: The new show is up; this spring we're offering a new very beginner based class---it will move the student from drawing to painting---from Mid-April to mid-May. Barb needs to find Steve's Conflict of Interest waiver.

Unfinished Business: Karen Pfendler reminded board members to get their Conflict of Interest waivers into the office.

New Business: None

Adjournment: Steve Weiss moved to adjourn...Hans Pusch 2nded.....meeting adjourned @ 7:55 pm

Respectively Submitted,

Karen Pfendler
Secretary