Minutes of the OTTA Members' Annual Meeting January 26, 2023

President Dorothy (Dee) DeCarlo called the meeting to order at 7PM. The meeting was a hybrid in-person and Zoom modality. A quorum was present.

Agenda Items:

1. Treasurer's Report by Brad Neuman:

Treasurer Brad Neuman reported on the OTTA finances. He noted the 2022 finances so far exceeded projections. December was \$10,000 better than budget, and fiscal year to date is \$57,000 better than projected, leaving the OTTA in an enviable position given the Art Fair and our ownership in the building. In short, we have no debt and are in a great position to utilize money for the community's benefit.

Other notable items included. 1.) We now have a monthly budget. 2.) Our cash balance in December was an impressive \$610,000. 2.) We have \$20,000 budgeted for an additional fundraising event but no specific plans yet. 3.) The building will need significant capital improvements, estimated at upwards of \$30,000. 4.) While the yearly insurance premium increased significantly following the lawsuits (going from \$13K to \$38K), we are at present \$4,100 better than budget. The insurance cost this year is \$35,000. It will be \$29,000 next year and continue to decrease due to governance changes in the 2021 bylaws. Brad noted this to emphasize that the board decisions carry years-long consequences.

2. Committee Reports:

a. Accessibility Report by Marya Lucas:

The committee has been working to make the neighborhood and OTTA building accessible. We are happy to report that the south bathroom has been rehabbed allowing for greater accessibility. Next will be the sidewalk and curb-ramp fixes.

b. Art Fair Report by Anne Giffels:

Anne Giffels provided a high-level recap of the 2022 Old Town Art Fair, unveiled the poster for the 2023 OTAF, and shared updates on planning for the 2023 OTAF. Notably, the OTAF was featured in an online travel magazine. www.travelmag.com/articles/festivals-fairs-illinois/

c. Community Safety Report by Dave Montgomery:

There will be a conversation with the commanders of the 18th and 19th districts on February 6, 6pm, at the DePaul Student Center. We are arranging to elect three people to the 18th district police council.

d. HD/PZ Report by Zac Bleicher:

Zac Bleicher proudly reported that the Walter & Dawn Netsch home (1700 N. Hudson Avenue) has gained historic landmark status. The HD/PZ committee supports such projects and is interested in promoting other landmark-worthy properties in Old Town. Right now the focus is on Mid-Century Modern homes. The new CPS Pre-K is open at Clark and Lincoln. Other noteworthy news. The Menomonee Club will have day-time bowling. The Fern Hill Development will have a meeting & presentation February 2 as to the Wells-LaSalle-North Ave development impacting our neighborhood. Several OTTA members will attend.

e. Strategic Planning Report by Brad Neuman:

The committee meets every Friday and has hired an independent consultant to aid in strategic planning for the OTTA's mission and future. The committee has sought input from government, businesses, as well as households in the Triangle and neighboring residents. Brad discussed the various stages of planning and strategy for the OTTA to aid our effectiveness as an organization. He also discussed some of the findings and ideas for growth. He presented the proposed mission statement (connect, collaborate, and care) and a draft of the vision and values.

f. Other committees:

Grants, neighborhood improvements, and events were recognized and given props for a job well-done!

3. Election of 2023 Board Members: Marya Lucas, Secretary, shared the 2023 Board Slate and introduced the said individuals. A voice vote was taken to confirm the election of the following 2023 Board Members: Raymond Clark (President), Aneta Tomaszkiewicz (Vice-President), Marya Lucas (Secretary), Brad Neuman (Treasurer), Beth Burk (Director), Elaine Frei (Director).

4. Recognition of Retiring Directors: Director Carly Jenkins gave closing remarks. Outgoing Board members President Dee DeCarlo, Vice President Chris Nelson, and Director Steve Nichols were recognized for their hard work on the Board. Dee was presented with a special gavel.

5. Remarks by Ray: Ray provided welcoming remarks as incoming president.

6. Year in Review by Dee & Chris:

Highlights of 2023 included: a strategic plan; the Art Fair; Lincoln Park art night; bricks! and new bricks! by Alan; the accessible bathroom rehab; the community safety meeting; neighborhood tours; the volunteer thank you party; the Wrightwood 659 tour; the 80s dance party; the Halloween parade; Oktoberfest; and the strategic planning survey.

7. *In memoriam* by Karen Stephenson: Karen recognized the passing of several special Old Town neighbors, Allen Carley and Shirley Baugher.

8. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 PM

Respectfully submitted, Marya Lucas, 2022 OTTA Secretary

Old Town Triangle Association Balance Sheet As of December 31, 2022

	Total			
As of			Dec 31, 2021	
	14,872.71		121,981.09	
	216,970.55		215,607.98	
	150,543.08		150,467.83	
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	25,687.77		102,437.41	
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	300.54		229.10	
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Old Town Triangle Association Income Summary

August - December, 2022

	December 2022			Total					
	Favorable					Favorable			
		Actual		Budget	(Unfavorable)		Actual	Budget	(Unfavorable)
Income									
4001 ME Member Dues		345.00		555.62	-211		6,020.00	5,610.51	409
4100H Direct Public Support		-300.00		45.00	-345		-100.00	225.00	-325
4500H Art School Program		5,612.00		3,861.15	1,751		32,677.00	22,163.06	10,514
4600H Investment Income		951.87		233.00	719		2,884.50	1,235.00	1,650
4701 FI Rent Earned		56.00		60.00	-4		889.00	300.00	589
4800H Merchandise & Other Income				5.00	-5		0.00	64.31	-64
Total Income	\$	6,664.87	\$	4,759.77	-	\$	42,370.50 \$	29,597.88	
Gross Profit	\$	6,664.87	\$	4,759.77	-	\$	42,370.50 \$	29,597.88	
Expenses									
5100H Art School Costs		10,126.85		5,754.46	-4,372		26,896.73	18,782.34	-8,114
5300H Neighborhood & Park Maintenance		955.95		1,328.79	373		7,446.33	9,833.06	2,387
5500H Community & Historic District				30.00	30		299.88	700.00	400
5700H Events		124.31		500.00	376		3,517.30	6,100.00	2,583
5900H Membership		950.00		1,010.00	60		1,900.00	2,160.00	260
6100H Occupancy		1,914.52		2,372.41	458		11,237.31	14,445.94	3,209
6300H Salaries		6,583.38		6,530.68	-53		33,656.40	33,890.32	234
6400H Payroll Taxes		503.64		499.60	-4		2,574.78	2,592.60	18
6500H Insurance		21,468.90		25,000.00	3,531		35,388.90	39,550.00	4,161
6600H Printing		577.56		865.00	287		968.45	1,205.00	237
6700H Technology		372.19		219.55	-153		1,299.68	1,506.08	206
7100H Accounting		64.00		5,555.00	5,491		328.00	5,775.00	5,447
7205 FI Bankcard Fees Excl Art Fair		155.79		142.94	-13		1,110.18	898.01	-212
7600H Miscellaneous Expenses				15.00	15		0.00	65.00	65
7810 FI Office Supplies		150.82		0.00	-151		219.27	111.02	-108
7910 FI Telephone & Internet		193.71		185.00	-9		746.34	925.00	179
Total Expenses	\$	44,141.62	\$	50,008.43	-	\$	127,589.55 \$	138,539.37	
Net Operating Income	-\$	37,476.75	-\$	45,248.66		-\$	85,219.05 -\$	108,941.49	
Other Income									
8100H Art Fair Receipts		9,360.00		13,808.15	-4,448		19,281.00	35,164.63	-15,884
Total Other Income	\$	9,360.00	\$	13,808.15		\$	19,281.00 \$	35,164.63	
Other Expenses									
9100H Art Fair Costs		1,336.52		828.96	-508		5,935.94	8,468.61	2,533
9405 PR Major Projects		5,028.60		10,000.00	4,971		5,244.13	40,000.00	34,756
9500H Neighborhood Improvements				2,085.76	2,086		16,141.29	25,503.80	9,363
9630 NI Ogden Plaza Renovation				0.00	0		0.00	2,600.00	2,600
Total Other Expenses	\$	6,365.12	\$	12,914.72	-	\$	27,321.36 \$	76,572.41	
Net Other Income	\$	2,994.88		893.43	-	-\$	8,040.36 -\$		
Net Income	-\$	34,481.87		44,355.23	9,873	-	93,259.41 -\$		57,090

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Old Town Triangle Association Statement of Cash Flows August - December, 2022

		Total
	2	
Net Income		-93,259.41
Adjustments to reconcile Net Income to Net Cash provided by operations:		
1410 Prepaid Expenses-year accruals		12,957.90
2100 Accounts Payable		7,562.00
Total Adjustments to reconcile Net Income to Net Cash provided by operations:	\$	20,519.90
Net cash provided by operating activities	-\$	72,739.51
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
3150 Temporarily Restricted Funds		-875.00
Net cash provided by financing activities	-\$	875.00
Net cash increase for period	-\$	73,614.51
Cash at beginning of period		683,827.80
Cash at end of period	\$	610,213.29 *

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