



**OTTA Minutes for the 2019 Annual Members' Meeting & Election**

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**Old Town Triangle Association's  
Agenda: 2019 Annual Members' Meeting & Election**

1. Steve Weiss welcomes everyone
2. Sachi Kubo: OTTA financial report
3. Lynn Smith: Art Fair report; show new poster
4. Shannon Waterfield: NIC report
5. Hans Pusch: Capital Improvements report
6. Recognition and thanks to the current board
7. Karen Pfendler: Presentation of Recognition Awards for retiring Board members:
  - Steve Weiss
  - Karl Hjerpe
  - Hans Pusch
8. Karen Pfendler: Election of 2019 Board of Directors
9. Karen Pfendler will make a few remarks.

Thanks to everyone who came this evening...and a special thanks to all the volunteers who organized tonight's meeting. The next Board meeting is scheduled for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday in February.

- B. The meeting was called to order at 6:40 P.M. by Steve Weiss, retiring president. A quorum was present. He made a few opening remarks...audience wanted further information regarding the La Salle soccer field...still no final plans to view...no start date for construction yet...he believes it won't happen until after our Art Fair.
- C. Sachi Kubo gave the treasurer's report. The organization is sound financially and the complete financial report will be published in the first issue of our newsletter in February.
- D. Lynn Smith reported on her Art Fair committee..... she introduced her co-chair Sasha Mayoras...she unveiled the poster selected for 2019....it was well received with enthusiastic applause from members.
- E. Shannon Waterfield reported on various NIC projects to be undertaken in the coming year...she informed members of the passing of Ray Svoboda, Corinne's husband, who have been faithful members of OTTA for more than 30 years. Corinne is an invaluable member of NIC. Bricks projects, tree planting, parks maintenance, joint project work with LCA (Lincoln Central Association) attention to graffiti removal, and continued garbage pickup for the 8 cans we maintain in our area are all infrastructure concerns NIC oversees. We benefited from menu monies from Alderman Smith for tree planting, crossing barriers, handicap sidewalk ramps for wheelchair access, to name just a few projects.
- F. Kare Pfendler reported from the Capital Improvements Committee that in December the Board approved up to \$30,000 to update the lighting and acoustics in the north room. The design and project plans were done by Laurie Miller under the leadership of Hans Pusch. The work is scheduled to begin soon. The Board requested several proposals for the cost of the electrical work to be done.
- G. Steve recognized and thanked the current board.

- H. Karen & Shannon presented plaques to the retiring board members. Some members asked what Steve was going to do with his plaque and suggested he hang it in the triangle. Karen remarked it was for him to display where ever he so chose. She then suggested that OTTA could do what other groups do (like the Chicago Yacht Club) by creating one large plaque which would display bars with previous presidents' names on them. Tom Leibig moved to create such a plaque, Alice Huff 2<sup>nd</sup>ed, membership voted unanimously to approve the creation of this plaque. David Pfendler, the OTTA Archivist, agreed to undertake this project.
- I. Karen Pfendler asked for a motion to accept the Nominating Committee's slate of officers and directors...Sharon O'Brien moved to accept the slate, and Steve Weiss 2<sup>nd</sup>ed. The new board was elected unanimously.
- J. Karen Pfendler, the new President, made a few remarks---thanked the retiring board members---thanked the events committee for another fine job of organizing the north room for the meeting & election. The food was great. We need to grow membership & increase membership in our various committees. She alerted membership that she was going to have the office send members a copy of an article that was printed for a *Holiday Magazine* in 1967. The article's title, *The Spirit of Old Town*. It is a terrific piece of journalism featuring, among other things, how important the incorporation of the Old Town Triangle Association was (and still is) to our neighborhood. She closed with thanking everyone for attending on a very cold night.
- K. The officers and directors for the 2019 Board are as follows:

**Board Members**

Karen Pfendler, President (1 yr)  
Robert Jones, 1st Vice President (1 yr)  
Shannon Waterfield, Secretary (1 yr)  
Ed Sokolofski Treasurer (1 yr)  
Lynn Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President (6 months) Art Fair Chair  
Alan Lougee, Director (1 yr)  
Jordan Matyas, Director (1 yr)  
Chris Nelson, Director (2 yrs)  
Shelly Murphy, Director (2 yrs)  
Sachi Kubo, Director (3 yrs)  
Darius Tandon, Director (3 yrs)

Respectfully submitted,  
OTTA's retiring Secretary,  
Karen Pfendler