

**Pierce Downer's Heritage Alliance  
8 December 2010  
Lincoln Center Room 503**

**2010 Annual Meeting Minutes**

**1. Call to Order and Role Call**

*Call to Order:* 6:37 PM by Chair Ken Lerner

*Members Present:* Jane Amorosi, Wallace Brown, James Cavallo, Gordon Goodman, Veatrice Jehangir, Ken Lerner, Chris Saricks, John Schofield, Mark Thoman and Sonja Tiegs Ebel

*Members Absent:* Ihor Hlohowskyj, Dave Schultz and Charley Smart

*Guests:* Sean Durkin, Greg Hosé, John Kikta and Jerry Yoksoulian

In the absence of PDHA Secretary, I. Hlohowskyj, G. Goodman was appointed to prepare minutes for this annual meeting.

**2. Election of PDHA Directors and Officers for 2011**

G. Goodman reported that I. Hlohowskyj, C. Saricks and he had spoken with all of the current PDHA Directors and Officers about their interest in continuing in office. All directors were willing to continue and all of the officers except for the Secretary, I. Hlohowskyj, were also willing to continue. C. Saricks is willing to be PDHA Secretary with the understanding that he may have to miss some meetings because of travel so that a temporary, replacement secretary would have to be chosen to prepare minutes for those meetings.

G. Goodman moved, seconded by V. Jehangir, to nominate Jane Amorosi, Wallace Brown, James Cavallo, Gordon Goodman, Ihor Hlohowskyj, Veatrice Jehangir, Ken Lerner, Chris Saricks, John Schofield, Dave Schultz, Charley Smart, Mark Thoman and Sonja Tiegs Ebel as PDHA Directors for 2011 and to nominate Ken Lerner as Chair, Mark Thoman as Chair Pro-tem, Chris Saricks as Secretary and G. Goodman as Treasurer. These nominations were approved by a unanimous voice vote.

A motion by G. Goodman, seconded by W. Brown, to elect the nominated directors and officers by a unanimous vote was also approved by a unanimous voice vote.

**3. Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer G. Goodman provided two reports, one for the last fiscal year, November 1, 2009 through October 31, 2010, and the second for the current fiscal year, November 1 through December 6, 2010. PDHA ended its last fiscal year with total assets of \$3,328.71, which were \$89.01 greater than at the start of that fiscal year, mainly due to a very generous donation of \$1,000. In the current fiscal year PDHA has received donations of \$45, of which \$40 has already been deposited in our checking account. PDHA has had expenses of \$184.76, mainly for the printing and mailing of the PDHA Fall Newsletter. In addition to PDHA's checking account with a current balance of \$1,977.02 at Community Bank of Downers Grove, PDHA holds a Certificate of Deposit with a current value of \$1,208.10 that will mature on March 30, 2012. M. Thoman moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. C. Saricks seconded the motion, which was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

#### **4. Proposed Expenditures**

Chair K. Lerner proposed the following expenditures:

1. A donation of \$1,000 to the Downers Grove Park District for expenses associated with the Little Sprouts grade school environmental educational program
2. A donation of \$100 to the Downers Grove Park District for programs of the Historical Museum in recognition of Museum Supervisor Christa Christensen's accomplishments
3. A donation of \$100 to the People's Resource Center, 201 S. Naperville Road, Wheaton, IL in appreciation for the presentation by Lois Vitt Sale at the PDHA 2010 Annual Meeting

Chair K. Lerner shared with the directors a letter dated November 18, 2010 from Shannon Forsythe, Manager of Natural Resources and Interpretive Services at the Downers Grove Park District, describing the 2010 District 58 first grade Little Sprouts Program that was presented to 522 first-grade students and approximately 100 teachers and parents during their field trips to Lyman Woods.

After Chair K. Lerner moved approval of these foregoing expenditures totaling \$1,200.00, seconded by J. Schofield, the expenditures were unanimously approved.

#### **5. Determination of Date for Budget and Planning Meeting in January 2011**

After a brief discussion the directors decided to hold a special meeting on Thursday, January 27, 2011 to discuss PDHA's budget and activities for 2011.

#### **6. Adjournment of Annual Business Meeting to Annual Program Meeting**

J. Cavallo moved, seconded by J. Schofield, to adjourn the 2010 Annual Business Meeting of PDHA and begin the Annual Program Meeting at 7:10 PM. The motion to adjourn was approved by unanimous voice vote.

#### **7. Recognition of Christa Christensen**

Chair K. Lerner presented a plaque to Christa Christensen honoring her accomplishments as Supervisor of the Downers Grove Park District Museum, after which C. Christensen spoke briefly about her goals for programs at the Museum.

#### **8. Lois Vitt Sale's Presentation: "Design DNA for Low to No Energy Home"**

L. Vitt Sale described energy conservation and other features of the home she designed for Michael Moats on Lane Place in Downers Grove. This home uses geothermal and solar power to bring fossil fuel use to a minimum.

#### **9. Jim Cavallo's Presentation: "Energy Efficiency Can Save Money in Older Homes"**

J. Cavallo spoke about how to achieve a 30% reduction of energy use in older homes. On average, 52% of the energy used to operate an older home goes into space heating. Sealing air leaks, increasing insulation and using more efficient equipment are the primary steps, in order of importance, that one can take to reduce energy consumption in older homes.

#### **10. Meeting Adjourned**

Chair K. Lerner declared the PDHA 2010 Annual Meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM.

*Minutes prepared by Gordon Goodman, Acting Secretary, as approved January 27, 2011*