Minutes of CRA Special Meeting June 15, 2015

CRA Board present: Dot Mullestein, Dick Scheldt, Dale Kendall, Jerry Daghir, Dave Heckman, Bonnie Marcus, Betty Nathan, Julia Kennedy, Maralyn Gillespie, Maggie McCaskey, Mary Lou Schack, Del Tweedie, and Char Gosselink.

Not able to be present: Bob Donecker, Dee Nelson

Administration Present: Phil DeBaun, Meg Lemley

Also Present: Jean Barker, Dick Kline, Molly Kline, David Rhoads, Elizabeth Rhoads, Phyllis Wenner, Jean Worley, Fanny Cracknell, Randy Schofield, Sharon Sundial, Charmaine Kissinger, Ernie Peck, Linda Duffy, Mike Duffy, Jane Krick, Julie Noolan, Peter Lane, Juliet Lane, Connie Hill, B. Alexander, Isabel Olmstead, Jean Perkins, Harriet Selfridge, Dick Voldstad, Denny Schreyer, Ruth Anderson, Karen Satterthwaite, Lou Hayes, Marge Moretzsohn, Elsa Rhoads, Elva Pepper, Bill Pepper, Betsy Walker, Roberta O'Sullivan, Jean Talbott.

President Del Tweedie

Del opened this special meeting with a moment of silence. He then explained that the meeting had been called for the purpose of reconsidering the resolution about a proposed dog park first presented to the CRA Board at its last meeting on June 1, 2015. He then read the 'Summary of the Themes' which came out of the five listening sessions called to explore community attitudes toward the dog park proposal. These themes had been introduced along with the resolution in the letter sent to the Board on May 27 and signed by Del and CEO Phil DeBaun. Del then read the proposal under consideration:

"The Crosslands Residents Association Board declines to support the creation of a dog park on Crosslands' campus at this time. Further, that no proposal for a dog park will be considered again by the Board unless there is significant evidence of changes in preference in the community, and not sooner than a year from this decision."

He then called upon the Board for comments.

The first suggestion was to eliminate the last phrase, "and not sooner than a year from this decision." That was followed swiftly by four comments, each calling for the resolution to remain as written, and saying that a cooling off period would be helpful.

Another Board member thought the subject could be reintroduced when a suitable location

had been determined, but yet another raised the question of who should make that determination. Another consideration is that there still isn't a strong groundswell from the community to support the dog park. We were reminded that Crosslands could use the Kendal park when it was completed. Three more people said they were ready to accept the proposal as it was.

Del suggested that the Board appeared ready to either approve the resolution by general agreement, or to vote it up or down. When he asked if there was general agreement all but two Board members assented and neither dissenter wanted to block the resolution. Therefore, Del declared the resolution 'passed as it was written.'

The business of the day having been completed Del declared the meeting over at 10:22a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Char Gosselink, secretary