

**Minutes**  
**OCA Board Meeting**  
**February 2, 2009**  
**Home of Lee and Linda Albritton**

**Present:** Robert Reynolds (President), LaDonnah Roberts (Vice President), Linda Albritton (Secretary), John Sheffield (Treasurer), Jimmy Cochrane (Audubon), Mike Dodson (SGA), Linda Ford (7<sup>th</sup> ST.), Edward Guy (Pinehurst), Dennis Stanard (College Park), Councilman Lee Garrison

The January minutes were approved.

**Old Business**

**City Council Report**

There is a proposed amendment before the City Council to amend the rule for absences for the Historic Preservation Commission. It is currently stated that a member of this commission will be removed if three consecutive absences occur in one year. The recommendation is that a member will be removed when a total three absences occur in a one year.

There was a discussion of the proposal for the City Council to place the property on the southeast corner of Queen City Ave. and University Blvd. in an Historic District. Part of this property is in the Historic District while the remainder is in a buffer zone. Councilman Garrison will ask other members of the City Council to support this proposal.

OCA will present arguments to support this proposal. Susan Haynes from the Preservation Society will be contacted.

**School Board Report**

Bryan Chandler reported via email that the system is on track with the magnet school application process. The school system budget is being carefully examined as we are under proration.

**Historic Preservation Commission Report**

There was discussion of the proposal about absences on this commission. Constant absences by members can affect the outcome of proposal before the commission. It takes 5 yes votes for a proposal to pass, whether there are 5 or 9 members present.

**Standing Committees**

**Social**

At the March meeting, a date for the May picnic will be set.

**Long Range Planning**

March is targeted for a membership solicitation mailing.

**SGA**

Mike Dodson reported that SGA elections will be held in March.

OCA will again give financial support to the Give and Go program which encourages students to donate useful items at the end of the semester. Crimson Watch is continuing to identify student block captains. There was student participation in the Citizens Police Academy.

#### **Planning Commission**

Robert reported that there are many fewer proposals before the commission which is a reflection of the economy.

#### **New Business**

There was discussion of the detour on Bryant Drive by the stadium and the problems traffic flow. LaDonnah Roberts made suggestions and Lee Garrison will made notes to take to the city's traffic engineer.

#### **Financial Report**

There was discussion of putting OCA's financial report in spreadsheet format. Edward Guy agreed to do this for our organization.

The next meeting will be on March 2<sup>nd</sup> at the home of Emily Baker.