

Edgebrook Community Association

Board of Directors Meeting

Minutes

Date: April 14, 2025

Edgebrook Lutheran Church

Meeting called to order 6:32pm

Minutes approved for March 2025

In Attendance

Mary Biesty, Jennifer Herren, Kathy Kaminski, Jan Kupiec, Ellie Lange, Kirstin Mansfield, Caryn Meyers, Tom Misiewicz, Bev Padratzik, Jeff Singer, and Nancy Williams.

Officer's Reports

President Jenny informed the board that Everyday Edgebrook is disbanding and will be donating their remaining funds to the ECA. These funds are earmarked for business district improvements. She thanked all the board members that are helping out for the upcoming Easter Egg hunt. Special shout out to Nancy Williams for her organizational skills!!

Vice President Nancy let the board know that she has received a commitment from the three sponsors for the 2025 holiday lighting. She also thanked everyone that was helping to prepare for the Easter Egg hunt.

Treasurer Jeff Singer presented the \$250. checks for SMOW and Edgebrook School. He also reviewed the YTD budget and pointed out some recent expenses including a \$950 payment for snow plowing. Jeff has opened a Zelle account for ECA payments and processing for the Garden Walk.

Secretary Mary informed the board that Nicole Flores has once again recommitted to sponsoring the band for the Fourth of July.

Committee Reports

Membership Caryn reported the membership ideas that were developed at a recent meeting. Nancy has created a door hanger with a letter directed to long term members that had not renewed in recent years. She asked board members to assist in hand delivering the door hangers. Results will be presented at the May board meeting. In addition, this summer we will target one area of Edgebrook to blitz with a door hanger to test if that generates additional membership.

Membership Activities Jean is planning the next Mix and Mingle on Friday, May 2nd at Tesserae Studio. A Sign Up Genius was sent out for board members to sign up to he

Special Events The permit for the Easter Egg Hunt has been secured. Marti Corcoran will be the Grand Marshall for the Fourth of July and the theme will be "There's No Place Like Edgebrook" suggested by Jenny and voted as the favorite at the meeting. Since Edgebrook Ace Hardware has been sold, it was suggested that Lou Manfredini and the managers Sue and Ed could be honored at the parade. Kathy and Kirstin will create the poster contest entry form and deliver to schools early to mid May.

Beautification Caryn is planning two workdays for Spring cleanup April 5th and April 26th. The focus for Clean and Green on April 26th will be mulching the tree surrounds and planter boxes in the business district. She asks for directors to volunteer and help supervise the Notre Dame HS volunteers. The Mural project in the underpass will start in late May or early June. Caryn is also planting a donated Japanese maple tree at the Kinzua turnaround.

Forest Preserves and Parks Nothing to report.

Police/Fire Nothing specific to report. Things are relatively quiet in Edgebrook.

Programs: Jan will schedule our next community meeting in November. Mix and Mingle events will be considered community meetings.

Community Development Everyday Edgebrook is being dismantled after 11 years.

Social Media and Publicity Andi will work with Dan on the next newsletter.

Schools Kirstin has disbursed all budgeted money for the local schools.

Newsletter Dan will promote the Easter Egg Hunt and the Garden Walk in the next newsletter.

Snowplowing Nothing to report

New Business

Garden Walk update: Tickets to the event will be pre sold at various downtown businesses. Several sponsors have already been acquired for the event. 11-12 gardens have been confirmed.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm

Next Meeting: Monday May 12th at 6:30 pm at Edgebrook Lutheran Church

Future board meetings: See below

Scheduled events: see below

Dates for Board of Directors Meetings 2025

All meetings on Monday at 6:30 pm at the Edgebrook Lutheran Church

May 12

June 9

September 8

October 13

November 10

December 8

Special Events

Mix and Mingle at Tessera Friday, May 2nd

Garden Walk Date Sunday, June 22

4th of July Parade and Picnic Friday, July 4th

Mix and Mingle at the Children's Garden Friday, August 8th

Halloween House judging Tuesday, October 21

Holiday Tree Lighting Sunday, November 30 (Sunday after Thanksgiving)

Garden Walk Date Sunday, June 22

Triangle Clean Up

(Citywide Clean and Green) Date April 26th

