

Notes from the President

Hello FQ Story. The shortest month of the year has quickly come and gone. Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow and brought us some much-needed rain during Valentine's Day. I'm ok with that kind of extended Winter.

Meeting of the Association – Two amendments to the By-Laws dealing with election procedures were adopted by the Steering Committee and were voted on at the last meeting. Both amendments passed unanimously. With the passage, write-in candidates will be required to have a minimum of five votes to be eligible for a Steering Committee position. Also, in situation that require a tiebreaker, the tie will be broken by a game of chance (coin flip, draw cards, etc.) to be administered by the Nominating/Election Subcommittee.

Block Watch – Our CAO Ben Harris briefed us at our last meeting, the number of burglaries and car break ins are continuing to trend lower. On a sad note, he let us know he will be stepping down as our CAO and will be personally interviewing potential replacements ensuring we get a good replacement. We will miss having Ben watching over our neighborhood as he's done tirelessly over the last 7 years. More info to come when we receive news of the change.

FAA Update – The FAA Workshops were held and hopefully you made your voice heard as the comment period ended February 16th. The timeline for the aircraft to revert pre-September 2014 flight paths is April 1st. That would be a great Easter present, to enjoy the outdoors without that noise anymore.

Pest Control – Chad Little of Urban Pest Management was MIA for our meeting. We will see if we can reschedule him for a future meeting.

Phoenix mural festival – Danielle Foushè spoke to the SC about the upcoming mural festival. They are looking for business or residential space for artists to paint prior to and display during the festival. If you are interested, get more information or sign-up at phxmuralproject.org where you can donate a wall or sponsor an artist.

Upcoming Elections – We're one month away from our next SPA Steering Committee Election being held April 8th. If you or someone you know would like to serve on the committee, contact CJ Carezza to get your nomination application sheet. We will be sending reminders on NextDoor and Yahoo Groups so keep an eye out for the dates and deadlines. Oh, and don't forget the food and fun. We'll have live music and bounce houses for the kids. If you'd be so kind, feel free to bring a side or dessert. We'll spring for the burgers (some veggie while they last), dogs and drinks.

As always, please contact me if there's anything I can help with.

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