**MACA Meeting Minutes June 7, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by President Jim McCarty at Immaculata Community Center. Directors and officers in attendance included Kurt Meier, Tom Abare, Frank Obermeyer, Janet Steiner, Jenny Ferneding, and Sue Zimmerman.

**Police Report:**  Officer Jennifer Chilton was introduced as our new neighborhood liaison. She has been on the force for eight years involved in OTR, vice, District 2. Also present was Brian Trotta with the violent crime squad …part of which tracks sporadic growth of crime patterns and then the unit can be called into play. Remember the number to report non-emergency crime is 765-1212. In May an auto theft on Oregon, two hours later the car was recovered. Two thefts …Playhouse in the Park and Longworth’s…both done by employees. Pavilion and Chapter two purses taken from bars; the purses recovered 2300 Vine St. There was a fight on St. Gregory. Officer Chilton can be reached by phone..513-482-9384 and email [jennifrer.chilton@cincinnati-oh.gov](mailto:jennifrer.chilton@cincinnati-oh.gov) Problems brought up by the group: people parking on the corner of Ida and Paradrome – Three no parking signs and yet people park there, Guido no parking sign needs to be moved – not enough space for emergency vehicle to turn, Loud music and cruising motorcycle late on weekends.

**Minutes:** Moved to approve Chuck Curran; seconded by Janet Steiner to approve the May minutes.

**President’s Report:**  Art Lykins has sold Longworth’s which may become a restaurant. Business Guild is working on Good Neighborhood Agreement. Immaculata has a new priest Father Len Fecko.

***Vice-President Report:*** *Kurt Meier reported on his 47th an*niversary and Planning and Development which is quiet. Neighborhood problems must be documented by calling 765-1212 expect to leave your name and police contact. United Neighborhoods is quiet for the summer.

**Bi-Laws: -** Janet Steiner presented the proposed changes to MACA Regulations. They were emailed to members and copies were at the meeting. The changes included: 1. Trustees to Directors per state law “trustees” is no longer used for non-profits. 2. Omit the preamble …wordy/ unnecessary. 3. Officers become ex officio directors; have the same rights, e.g. voting as other directors (Article II 3.2). 4. Removal of directors Article III 3.13… A director who is absent from 25% or more of the combined total of monthly meeting of the Board of Directors and monthly meetings of Members may be removed by the Board of Directors. 5. Article VI Miscellaneous Provisions…6.2 Notice- language cleaned up- says notice may be given by any means authorized by Ohio law…6.3 Non-discrimination- moved from front page of prior regulations. Article VII –Seal…The Association will not have a corporate seal. Standing Committees: Community Improvement Projects Committee –The CIP shall evaluate and recommend to the board of directors funding for projects that will enhance the community. Development and Preservation: Change name to Planning and Development. Mt. Adams Beautification Association Committee shall be responsible for planting and maintaining the flower pots in the business district, the flower boxes on the Ida Street Bridge and the public gardens in the neighborhoods, and such other activities, including fundraising, relating to the gardens, gardening and the appearance of the neighborhood, as the members of MABA may choose to undertake from time to time. All funds raised by MABA shall be used solely for MABA projects. These proposed changes will be voted on at the next meeting in July.

**Treasurer’s Report:**  Tom Abare Significant activity for May 2016;  
Received $295. for Spring Grapevine Ads  
Received $4,000 from Cinema Sponsors (Another $2,250 received in June (Sponsor money in hand - $7,300)  
Paid $989 Mutt Mitt Purchase  
Paid $3,650. for Pool Furniture (per approval of Directors, Save the Pool fund was closed and applied toward furniture purchase)  
Paid $1,547 Annual Insurance policy for MACA & Directors.  
Paid $465 to Business Guild for May Art Walk  
Balance in accounts at end of May $36,000

**MABA:** Sue Zimmerman - Mini Blitz Clean up June 11th before the Garden Stroll. Garden Stroll tickets go off line June 10th but will be on sale at the Art Walk on Saturday 1-4 pm. For sale at my house (1228 Ida) too. Night of the stroll $30. Next meeting is July 12 off the Hill. The people at the meeting praised the new Ida Street Bridge flower boxes.

**Clean, Safe, and Attractive:**  Jenny Ferneding- Fredrick’s Landscaping is currently cleaning the steps in Mt. Adams paid by MABA and MACA. Zan Walters needs a volunteer to take over Mutt Mitts project. Cara LaRosa volunteered to head up the project.

**Membership:** Jim Horrigan- Annual membership is $10 and lifetime $100… membership has increased by two annuals and two lifetimes.

**NSP:** No report

**Grapevine:** M’ellen Horrigan – The fall issue will cover the 15th anniversary of 911. One to three sentences of your personal thoughts, memory, or feelings of 911…email to [mellenvine65@gmail.com](mailto:mellenvine65@gmail.com) or [suejzimmerman@gmail.com](mailto:suejzimmerman@gmail.com) … or snail mail to 1228 Ida before August 1.

**Community Life:** Frank Obermeyer - **Cincinnati Neighborhood Games** Margaret Mock has done a great job organizing Mt. Adams.  22 individuals have signed up to compete in 17 events.  This is far better than many other neighborhoods.  Opening ceremonies are Saturday, July 9th from 5:00 to 10:00 in Washington Park.  Mt. Adams has its own banner and anthem.  Please come to show your support.  More info at [www.cincygames.com](http://www.cincygames.com/).  
**Mt. Adams Pool...**The pool is now open.  New chairs and picnic tables donated by the civic association have not arrived but should soon. Open 7 days a week. Swim lessons Tues/Weds/Thurs… 12 to 1 and 1-1:30  
**Art Walk**…The next Mt. Adams Art Walk is this Saturday, June 11th from 1:00 to 6:00.  The weather should be much warmer this time.  The prizes for completing the event passport are very good this year.  The civic association will again staff a hospitality tent.  
**Cinema in the City…**The first Cinema in the City event of this summer is Thursday, June 23rd with festivities beginning at 7:00 and the movie starting at dusk.  Sponsorship has been great.  There will be music, food, kid's activities, and a raffle.  Volunteers are still needed for the night of the event.  Please contact Amy Obermeyer at [amygamo@gmail.com](mailto:amygamo@gmail.com) or Pat Feghali at [p.feghali@gmail.com](mailto:p.feghali@gmail.com) to volunteer.  
**MtAdamsToday.com**…Eric Turner is always looking for new, up-to-date content for the MtAdamsToday website.

**CIP:** Jenny Ferneding- Russ needs proposals; he will help you work out a proposal.

**Upcoming Events:** Art Walk June 11 1-6pm…Garden Stroll June 14th 5-9pm… Yacht Club Cruise June 11...Cinema in the City June 23rd 7-11pm

**Meeting Adjourned**… Moved by Chuck Curran and seconded by Mary Moran.

After meeting candidates Catherine Ingram and Matthew Wahlert were available for questions.