

MBCA Executive Board Meeting Minutes, for June 5, 2018

Meeting convened by VP Deb Massie in President Joe Rush's absence. Also present: PJ Thran, Kate Ellison, Fran Rossano, Linda Kemp, Tim Parker, and Marshall Bloom. Marshall took minutes in Secretary Stasia Rudolph's absence.

Discussion opened regarding ideas about increasing membership. Suggestions considered:

- Switch meeting times to evening (instead of noon on weekdays).
- Merge with HMI and Historic Melrose groups. Historic Melrose may be dormant after all properties get listed onto the historic register (before next year). HMI also has trouble keeping membership up. This has not been discussed with either group yet.
- Resolve issues with paid and unpaid membership status.
- Marshall to get with Rebeca to resolve any issues she might have accessing the MBCA Gmail account. (Meeting ran past bank hours, so Marshall did not meet with Rebeca on Tuesday.)
- General discussion ensued regarding who might be good new members worth recruiting.

Discussion turned to next Tuesday's evening meeting and Pot Luck Dinner at the Melrose Senior Community Center. Volunteers will provide drinks, food, etc., doors will open at 5:30p, and dinner will be served as soon as is convenient with the meeting to follow at approximately 6:30p. Meeting agenda to include:

- Speaker: Nancy Clark from UF to speak about TIF (Tax Incremental Fund) and its potentially beneficial impact to our community.
- Election Committee to be appointed to vet candidates for the MBCA Officers election for October 2018 (All Directors, Vice President, and Treasurer are up for re-election as their terms expire this year.) Candidates to be announced at September meeting (9/21).
- Items to be included in the Putnam Parks Calendar for 2019 can be submitted to Angie Whisnant (at angie.whisnant@putnam-fl.com) before August 1st.
- Upcoming events include:
 - Multi-Market Sale at Heritage Park, June 9 (also September 8th and December 1st)
 - Melrose African Festival, St Johns Church, SR 219
 - July 4th Boat Parade
 - Friday Art Walk (July 6th, August 3rd, September 7th)
 - Farmers' Market – every Friday 4-7p

No further business, meeting adjourned at 4:35 PM