**Noble Neighbors**

Meeting: *April 7, 2015, 7pm*

At *Noble Road Presbyterian Church*

**Minutes**

1. Welcome new participants! Welcome city officials!
2. Opening Announcements

a. Thanks! section of web site – Facebook, Twitter

1. Thanks to Cynthia Griggins and crew for the reception to honor MSASS
2. Our news is getting out! We’re gaining a reputation as a group of people who is turning around this neighborhood and people want to join with us!
   * 1. Hope Lutheran Church is joining us for Ap. 26
     2. Heights Community Congress called
     3. Woman who leads parent groups through the school told me that the Oxford and Noble school parents in the group were abuzz with talk about “our new wonderful neighborhood group” and the April 26 event.
     4. Partnering with University Circle Inc. and imagining possibilities
     5. Tree planting initiative – starts here
     6. Permaculture, edible landscape initiative Oxford Com. Garden
     7. US Together’s Welcome Center is purposefully at Noble Library
     8. Artists group is looking at our neighborhood
     9. FutureHeights’ Community Capacity Building program
        1. Need participants
        2. 4 sessions on every other Sunday afternoons
        3. Will help us increase our leadership skills and numbers
        4. Starts in May – see me
3. The CWRU Noble neighborhood study – Nina Holzer and Dr. Mark Chupp of the Mandel School of Applied Social Science.
   1. Students reported from each of the 4 study groups: Safety, Youth, Businesses and Housing. The full report will be available to us in the summer. It will be posted to the Noble Neighbors web site for review.
4. The April 26th Noble Community-Wide Home & Yard Sale
   1. Special events – Brenda
      1. Hope Lutheran Church – Pancake Breakfast
      2. Home Repair Resource Center – Open house, tool sale, workshops
      3. Church of the Master – Literacy Fair
      4. Police Academy – demonstrations –Chief Robertson
      5. Noble Road Presbyterian Church – children are raising funds at a bake sale, day care is having an outreach
      6. Churches will be marked on map as offering bathrooms
      7. WPA art talks – Wendy Partridge
   2. Flyer distribution to residents – Brenda
      1. 7 new sign-ups in 24 hours just because of the flyer distribution
   3. Business contacts – Brenda for Constance
      1. Need you to return the information sheets so we can start a data base
      2. Please let me or Constance know about who you have already contacted
      3. Pop-up stores – Drew Schwanitz
   4. Beautification efforts – Gail Larson
   5. Real Estate involvement – Helen Hertz
   6. Street groups – Rushleigh (Judi Miles), Beverly (Carol Roe), Gail Larson – CHBlvd area
   7. Social media and publicity - Jeff
5. Sign-ups/ Networking

Next meeting: April 7 at Bethel Church

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