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**General Membership Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, April 8, 2013**  
**Allegheny Traditional Academy, 7:00 p.m.**

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**In Attendance (45)**

Steve Adams, Andrew Benedicktus, Charles Bettendorf, Jeff Brizak, Patricia Buck, John Canning, Cynthia Chalupa, Patrick Dexter, Bill Donovan, Jerome Ferrar, Pam Grove, Tom Hardy, Arthur James, Paul Johnson, Brian Kaminski, Deena Kelly, Cassandra Kokoski, David Kokoski, Susan Larkin, Gary Lilly, Marty Lilly, Joe Mansfield, Randi Marshak, Patrick Miner, Charles Moore, Gregory Mucha, Amy Nichols, Jason Owens, Todd Palcic, Erin Powers, Henry Reese, Craig Reinhard, Vincent Salvino, Bob Sechler, Sheila Sechler, David Shlapak, Brad Spencer, Barbara Talerico, Katie Tarara, Leslie Vincen, Karina Westfall, Thomas Westfall, Dan Wintermantel, Craig Worl, Al Zanon

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**Introduction**

The regular monthly meeting for the membership of the Allegheny City Central Association was held on Monday, April 8, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium of Allegheny Traditional Academy, the President being in the chair and the Secretary being present. The minutes of the last regular monthly meeting on 03/11/13, being posted on the web site beforehand, were approved.

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**Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's report was given by David Shlapak.

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**Garden Theater Block Development**

Wayne Zukin and Craig Totino (Allegheny City Development Group) and Henry Reese (City of Asylum/Pittsburgh) were present. Wayne reported on Garden Theater Block developments.

- City of Asylum/Pittsburgh has signed a lease to go into the Masonic building.
- Nakama will not be a tenant.
- Hopes to have City of Asylum and Il Giardino open this year.
- Continuing to look for restaurants for other properties within the Garden Theater Block.
- The upper floors of the Masonic, and the entire Bradberry are being developed as residential.
- The space above the Garden Theater will be for offices. Don't have a tenant yet.
- Met with the Mayor and the URA. The Mayor is very supportive and will help with the final push to break ground. He wants the project to happen before he leaves office.

Henry reported on plans for the City of Asylum Alphabet City to be located in the Masonic

- Thinks it will be better than the previously planned location on Monterey Street.
- Same footprint as Monterey, but can be more efficient with the space since it will be on one floor.
- Won't disturb surrounding neighbors, which was a concern on Monterey.
- In the process of looking for someone to run the restaurant.
- No plan for site on Monterey yet.

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## Elections

Andrew Wickesberg reported who the nominations are for the board elections to be held in May. The nominees are:

- Chris D'Addario (current board member)
- Pam Grove
- Arthur James (current board member)
- Deena Kelly
- Todd Kilgore
- Vincent Salvino
- Sheila Sechler
- Barbara Talerico (current board member)

There will be 7 board seats to fill.

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## Historic District Expansion

Randi Marshak reported on the Mexican War Streets Historic District expansion.

- Councilman Daniel Lavelle has scheduled an information meeting to be held on 4/18 at 6 p.m. at the North Side Institutional Church. It is not intended to be a forum to debate the merits of the expansion.
- Lavelle and Council President Darlene Harris will both be there. People are encouraged to attend and show their support.
- There will be one more meeting after this in front of City Council where public comments will be taken.

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## Safety Committee

Steve Adams, Safety Committee chair, reported on safety topics.

- Clarified that individually owned cameras, and ACCA cameras are not part of a network that are being monitored. They record and can be reviewed after an incident.
- Showed a map of where the known cameras are, and where proposing to place more ACCA cameras.
- Email Steve at [sadams@cnc-pgh.org](mailto:sadams@cnc-pgh.org) if you're aware of other cameras, or know of a good spot to put a new one.

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## Branding

Randi Marshak reported on the Branding initiative.

- Hired Moore Design Associates utilizing the \$15,000 grant we received from the Design Center.
- Moore Design will design banners and signs to market Allegheny City Central.
- Moore Design will also design entry way signs.
- Neighborhood Stakeholders will be included in steering meetings.



ALL TOGETHER. DIFFERENT.

- The designs will be presented at an ACCA general membership meeting in the summer to solicit feedback.

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## **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Arthur James, Secretary, Allegheny City Central Association.  
Minutes approved on 5/13/2013.

