BNA Board Meeting Tuesday March 21, 2023 @ 7:00 pm Ark of Jesus Church

Present: Frank Fields, Cassy Petsos, Holly Petsos, Sara Castro, Jim Nicholson, Sharon Bloemendaal, Dede Ranger, Kathy Boyle, Jane Way, Kathy Grady, David Kaiser, Ann Kanthor, Joan Hopkins

Excused: John McQueen, Sam Walters Sayre, Cara Paul

Invited Guest: Dr. Shaun Nelms

Special Guest Speakers:

1) **Dr. Shaun Nelms**, Director of the Center for Urban Education Success at the U of R School of Education and Superintendent of Rochester-East Educational Partnership

An excellent and informative address. This is year 8 of a 10 year agreement with NYS. Graduation rates have increased from 29% to 86% over those 8 years. Tracking these students post graduation has been challenging. He took multiple questions from those in attendance.

2) Bishop Singletary from AJC - National Day of Prayer will be on May 4th

Treasurer's Report: written report submitted by John McQueen - financial condition for fiscal year 6/1/2022 - 3/17/2023

- revenue \$2453.93
 - garage sale fees collected \$25
- expenses \$2542.06 (\$88.13)
 - printing costs -Crier, envelopes & membership cards \$908
- total cash assets \$21116.75
- BNA members paid this fiscal year 182 (27% of total BNA households)

Topics discussed:

- Garage Sale May 6/7 th
- requested volunteers for garage sale and for BNA committees looking for input, new ideas and individuals to serve on BNA committees (hospitality vacant), street reps (Croydon vacant), delivering Crier
- April 29th Rose Garden Spring Cleanup
- this year marks BNA 50th year started discussions for a neighborhood celebration
- several donations were made for the Sock Drive to bring to House of Mercy
- future event planning ideas: summer picnic, ice cream social, movies in the park, food drive, Crier articles, Board nominations.

Adjourned: 8:40 pm