

HANSVILLE FUTURES/GREATER HANSVILLE AREA ADVISORY COUNCIL  
GHAAC Organizational Meeting  
January 23, 2007, Greater Hansville Community Center, 7 pm

Twenty three representatives and three guests attended the organizational meeting of the GHAAC on January 23, 2007 at the Greater Hansville Community Center. Of the four absentees, two had given proxies to representatives already attending. (See attached list)

Steve Bauer, Chair, opened the meeting with a summary of organizational efforts. Representatives introduced themselves and told of their community activities. Steve reported on the meeting he and Judy Foritano held with Commissioner Chris Endresen and Scott Diener, Kitsap County Planning Director. Please see attached notes for comments on that meeting. Following comments from each representative on a possible affiliation with Kitsap County, Emma Jean Hemingway moved that we pursue becoming officially affiliated with the County. Fred Nelson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously by voice vote.

Judy Foritano facilitated a discussion on the second draft of the by-laws. She stated that they were based on bylaws for four other community advisory councils and two other organizations. The bylaws were reviewed line by line. Corrections and additions were made. Discussions on eligibility for membership, frequency of meetings, need to file financial statements, makeup of an Executive Committee, whether it should be an Executive Committee or Executive Board ensued. In most cases decisions were reached by consensus and are reflected in the amended draft of the bylaws (see attached). To clarify some issues raised, an emissary will approach the Hansville Cooperative Preschool regarding their representation, Steve Bauer will try to come up with an estimate of time needed to fulfill GHAAC goals, and thus schedule frequency of meetings. There was a broad discussion on the potential need for the GHAAC to file a 501-3c application. It was agreed to suspend any action until the GHAAC had income to require such action, thus no mention would be made in the current bylaws.

Jerry Ulsund moved the Second draft of the GHAAC bylaws be accepted as amended. Fred Nelson seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Prior to a short recess, ballots were distributed to all representatives to nominate a chair, vice chair, and three trustees to represent the GHAAC while seeking affiliation with Kitsap County. Once affiliation is achieved, new elections would be held, in accordance with GHAAC bylaws.

All nominees were announced to the group, and individuals were given the opportunity to withdraw their names. Another written ballot was presented to vote on those willing to serve. Judy Foritano was elected Chair; Trevor Evans, Vice Chair; and Sue Claeys, Fred Nelson, and Allen Otto Trustees. Steve Bauer agreed to continue working with the group until affiliation with Kitsap County was achieved and GHAAC officers had been elected.

Linda Redling was thanked for providing refreshments.

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for February 20, 2007, 7 pm, if a meeting location can be obtained.