



Board Attendance

P = present, A = absent, NEA = notified/excused absence					
Leigh Bivings	P	Tony Gordon	P	David Mundel	P
Betsy Boveroux	P	Bill Gregor	P	Mike Nairne	P
Matt Carroll	A	Betsy Hall	P	Joe Park	P
Paul Duffy	P	Kyle Hancock	P	Susan Passoni	P
Kathy Emrich	P	John Herbert	P	Bruce Petri	P
William Fastow	P	Roz Hill	EA	Peter Pogorski	P
Jay Fogarty	P	Gordon Holmes	P	Kimball Robeson	P
Beth Freeland	P	Bill Keravuori	A	Sandra Silver	A
Jennifer Girvin	P	Chuck Levin	P	Sandy Slarsky	A
		Mary Lionette	P		

Approximately 100 Ellis Members and Guests were also in attendance

Welcome and Report by the Association's President

Kathy Emrich, President welcomed the Board Members, members and guests to the Associations Annual Meeting

Kathy thanked David Lapin, Executive Director of the Community Center for allowing the Ellis to hold its annual meeting at the Center. In addition, Kathy welcomed Meghan Haggerty of the Mayor's Office to the meeting and thanked Meghan for her continued efforts on behalf of the South End.

Kathy briefly reviewed the Ellis' efforts and activities that led to the Association's continued success during the 2006-2007 year. Kathy reviewed the Ellis' continued activities aimed at improving the monitoring and maintenance of neighborhood's groundwater levels and insuring that the MBTA Silver Line services and capital projects (including the proposed extension of the underground right-of-way in the Back Bay and Bay Village) respond to the needs of the Ellis neighborhood. Kathy also reviewed the Ellis' involvement in the South End Neighborhood Forum, an initiative aimed at improving the collaboration and cooperation among the many South End neighborhood associations in order to further the achievement of neighborhood-wide goals. In addition, Kathy reported on the recent renewal and redevelopment of the Ellis' website that have been instrumental in improving the Association's communication with its members and other neighborhood residents.

Election of the 2007-2008 Officers and Board Members

Leigh Bivings, Chair introduced Mike Nairne, Chair of the Nominating Committee. Mike reported on the Committee's activities and thanking the members of the Committee and others who helped to develop the slate of proposed Officers and Board Members. Mike reviewed the Committee's proposed slate (see attachment A). Following a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation and elect the proposed slate and a seconding of the motion, the membership present voted unanimously to elect the proposed slate of Officers and Board Members.

**Presentation of The Arthur F. Howe Community Service Award
to:**

Joe Park

**President, The Friends of Hayes Park
Board Member, Ellis South End Neighborhood Association**

Kathy Emrich presented the Ellis's Arthur F. Howe Award to Joe Park, who has been a force to be reckoned with on a broad variety of South End neighborhood issues for nearly 40 years.

Joe was recognized for his ongoing efforts to developing the South End into a strong, safe residential community where people want to and can put down roots and raise families.

One of Joe's numerous, major contributions to our neighborhood was to organize a group of like-minded and active neighbors to work with the City to clean up the seedy bar scene and drug dealing that had begun to relocate from the infamous Scollay Square to our neighborhood in the early 1970's. Without Joe's continuous diligence and stubbornness, our neighborhood would not have become the neighborhood that we have come to call our home.

Keynote Speaker

**James W. Hunt
Chief of Environmental and Energy Service, City of Boston**

Leigh Bivings introduced James W. Hunt, the keynote speaker for the meeting. Mr. Hunt described the City's ongoing efforts to protect the groundwater levels in the South End and other areas of filled land in the City and the City's efforts to improve and expand participation in the waste recycling program. In addition, he noted the City's efforts to improve its energy efficiency and promote sustainable, energy efficient development.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Refreshments and Socializing

Following the Annual Meeting of the Association, the newly elected Officers and Board Members, Association members, and guests continued the evening with a brief social hour.

Respectfully submitted,

David S. Mundel

David Mundel, Clerk

Attachment A

Ellis South End Neighborhood Association Nominating Committee Report

I. Retiring Officer and Directors:

- **Kathy Emrich** will be stepping down as President after serving for two years, but will remain on the Board.
- **Bill Keravuori, Mike Nairne** and **Sandra Slarsky** will be retiring from the Board.

II. Nominations for 2007-2008 Board of Directors

- A. New President: **Kyle Hancock**, Dartmouth Street
- B. Chair: **Leigh Bivings**, Chandler Street
- C. New Vice Presidents: **Beth Freeland**, Union Park and **David Mundel**, Gray Street
- D. New Treasurer: **Sandra Silver**, Tremont Street
- E. New Clerk: **Barbara Hoffman**, St. Charles Street
- F. New Directors:
1. **Michael Hall**, Clarendon Street
Michael has been a former Ellis board member and Treasurer.
 2. **Barbara Hoffman**, St. Charles Street
Barbara has been active with the Wine Group and is graciously willing to be Clerk.
 3. **Abby Johnson**, Chandler Street
Abby has been an active contributor on the Membership Committee.
 4. **Carol Trust**, Chandler Street
Carol has assisted with the fundraiser and acted as a mistress of ceremonies
- G. *All Nominees for 2007-08 (see next page)*

**Ellis South End Neighborhood Association
Proposed Board Officers and Directors for 2007-2008**

(as elected at ESENA Annual Meeting May 22, 2007)

	Title	Name	Address
	<u>Officers:</u>		
1	President	Kyle Hancock	Dartmouth Street
2	Chair	Leigh Bivings	Chandler Street
3	Vice President	Beth Freeland	Union Park
4	Vice President	David Mundel	Gray Street
6	Clerk	Barbara Hoffman	St. Charles Street
5	Treasurer	Sandra Silver	Tremont Street
7	<u>Incumbent Directors:</u>	Betsy Boveroux	Appleton Street
8		Matt Carroll	Chandler Street
9		Paul Duffy	Gray Street
10		Kathy Emrich	Montgomery Street
11		Will Fastow	Gray Street
12		Jay Fogarty	Appleton Street
13		Jennifer Girvin	Chandler Street
14		Tony Gordon	Stanhope Street
15		Bill Gregor	Appleton Street
16		Betsy Hall	Clarendon Street
17		John Herbert	Gray Street
18		Roz Hill	Tremont Street
19		Gordon Holmes	Clarendon Street
20		Chuck Levin	Appleton Street
21		Mary Lionette	Clarendon Street
22		Joe Park	West Canton Street
23		Susan Passoni	Chandler Street
24		Bruce Petri	Appleton Street
25		Peter Pogorski	St. Charles Street
26		Kimball Robeson	Columbus Avenue
27	<u>New Directors:</u>	Michael Hall	Clarendon Street
28		Abby Johnson	Chandler Street
29		Carol Trust	Chandler Street
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