



**South Covington Community Action Association**  
**10-11-07 Meeting Notes**  
 (In lieu of Minutes during the absence of a Secretary for the Organization)

Meeting opened at 7:00 and introductions were made.

**In attendance were:**

Nancy Ray – Co Chair	Andrea Holland – Co-Chair	Paul Hensley
Ken Ray - Treasurer	Hugh McQueary	Octavia McQueary
Jonna Parsons	Bill Wells	Larry Tichenor
Ron Rose	Shiela Hess	Mardi Fitch
Dan Kauffung	Lil Eversole	Tom Withorn
Kerry Holtman	Jerry Treadway	Linda Withorn
Danny Miles	Dennis Wesseler	Sara Wesseler
Jenni Wiehe	Sally Oliver	Gene Farrell
Carol Nicholas	Kay Tackett	Peggy Spaulding
Greg Waller	Connie Snipes	Denny Madden
Ofcr Megan Tucker	Ofcr Pat Noll	Suzann Gettys – Ombudsman
Ofcr Justin		

**Secretary’s Report – Nancy Ray**

Minutes were accepted as written.

**Treasurers Report –Ken Ray**

Report accepted as read.

**Police Community Council Meeting – Nancy Ray, Sheila Hess and Jonna Parsons**

The “Citizens on Patrol” were discussed and S. Covington needs participants to have patrols. As pertains to the “No loud noise” signs, music (noise) must not be heard from 25 feet from the house nor vehicle. The next meeting is October 17 at 7 pm at the Police Station, 20<sup>th</sup> & Madison.

**Executive Committee** - Secretary is still needed for the Association

**Andrea Holland, Co-Chair – Mission Statement**

- The mission statement (“The mission of the SCCAA is to work as a group to improve our community, address neighborhood concerns, and promote the quality of life in South Covington.”) was read and approved by attendees.
- Vote was taken on 2008 dues and accepted. (\$5. 00 a year for family and \$20.00 a year for business).

**Guest Speakers: The Honorable Family Court Judges Chris Mehling and Lisa Bushelman:**

Concerned residents can make an anonymous report to the Cabinet to report abuse, truancy, etc. and the centralized intake team can be reached at 292-6340. The courts goal is to hold families together if at all possible and to give custody to relatives first if the children need to be removed from the home. As of Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007 there were 1506 pending cases, 606 domestic abuse cases, 582 divorce, child custody cases and 1086 juvenile cases. Kenton County has 650 children in foster care. Drugs are a major force in disrupting families and can be a “generational” problem. Marijuana is considered the “gateway” drug into use of additional drugs. One major concern for the family court is the family nurturing of out-of-wedlock children related to one night stands. Curfew violations need to be called in to the police by the public. Truants can be arrested for contempt of court when they have been ordered to attend school daily. After 7-8 unexcused absences the school can withdraw the student. The child can then fall through the cracks in getting an education. The lack of education is a source of neglect. The court system is in need of “CASA” volunteers (court appointed special advocate) and to volunteer or get further information call 292-6533.

**Officer Jason Gray – Covington Police Department:**

If someone sees kids trying to take down street signs or stop signs to call the police and identify them or their address.

**Comments from the Chair – Nancy Ray**

The sign up sheet was sent around again for the Christmas gathering for Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. We will not have a regular meeting that evening. Bud Thurman a Co-chair for “Greenspace” would like a South Covington representative for this committee. This committee meets once a quarter and they do have subcommittees that meet more frequently. Those interested please call Bud at 781-3961.

**Next SCCAA Meeting:** November 8, 2007 6:30 pm Social ½ hour – Meeting at 7:00 pm at the Hands Pike Firehouse.

**Guest Speaker:** Ken Shirley- a 42 year employee of the City of Covington. He is a Civilian Housing Inspector/Housing Officer and also works for the Police Department.

**Don’t forget to check out the SCCAA Website** <http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/covingtonky/scov/>