

CONA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
March 7, 2000

This memo is being written at 8:15 p.m. on March 7th. Its purpose is to recall the events of this noon's meeting.

Present at the meeting were Bill Boese, Jan Bulla-Baker, David Walter, Vicki Provine, Jennifer Staab from the Monroe County Community School Corp. and CONA's program manager, Nancy Hert.

We agreed to a regular monthly meeting on the second Tuesday of each month. The exceptions were in May, July, and November. May and November are election days. The second Tuesday in July is a holiday. We will meet in the Kelly Room at noon. The Kelly room is reserved for April 4th. Vicki Provine will attend to reserving the meeting dates for the rest of the year.

Jennifer Staab asked for CONA's help. Specifically she wanted CONA to use its resources to help establish neighborhood watch programs. These programs would guard against burglary, teen age binge drinking, and drug use. The greatest need is in rural neighborhoods. The Sheriff has received requests concerning the establishment of neighborhood watch programs. CONA would publicize and facilitate their organization. Although there will be no remuneration to CONA from the grant, the board believed that the exposure and the contacts made during implementation would be beneficial to CONA.

The board discussed the need for an established list of neighborhoods that are CONA members. Our funding agreement calls for the collection of dues from fifty percent of our members. It will be difficult to ascertain fifty percent unless we have a definite number of members to begin with. We decided to use the neighborhood contact list printed on CONA stationery that Bill Boese distributed to the board.

The board recommended an amendment to the bylaws to be submitted to the membership at the March 22nd. Meeting. The amendment added a yearly assessment to the qualifications for CONA membership as detailed in Article V, page three of the bylaws. The Board of Directors will determine the amount of the assessment. Nancy Hert is to mail the proposed amendment to the Board members ten days before our March 22nd meeting.

Among the agenda items for the March meeting will be adoption of the bylaws amendment. Discussion of the amount of assessment should the amendment be adopted, the filling out of a form by each neighborhood giving the information requested in Article V of the bylaws, announcement and approval of CONA's participation in the neighborhood watch organizing program, alerting the nominating committee to prepare for the July election of officers, and recruiting participants for CONA'S mediation program on March 25th.

Bill Sturbaum gave Jan Bulla-Baker a copy of last year's report to the IRS. The report is due by the end of March. Jan will call Doris Sims for Ilknur Ralson's number. Ilknur can help Jan file the report.

Bill Sturbaum adjourned the meeting at 1:30 p.m.