

***Hyde Park Transitional Housing Project  
Minutes of Annual Meeting Held on May 24, 2004  
(attachments included with printed copies only)***

The Annual Meeting was held at the Church of St. Paul and the Redeemer. Twenty six individuals attended, including 16 HPTHP members.

The period from 7 to 8:30 p.m. was devoted to a program, which was "The History of Homelessness in Chicago from the 1830s to the 21<sup>st</sup> Century" presented by A. Anne Holcomb, the author of a book on the subject. (*Copy of the Table of Contents of that book are attached*) As an introduction to this subject she also provided a brief overview of her study of the causes of homelessness, which found that four factors are virtually universal in those who experience homelessness. (*See diagram of those factors attached*)

The Annual Business Meeting began at 8:30 p.m., with open words from Board of Trustees President Rev. Don Coleman. Rev. Kara Wagner Sherer, one of the members of this year's Nominating Committee presented the report of the Nominating Committee. (*See attached*) The following incumbent Board of Trustees members were renominated for their current positions: Rev. Don Coleman – President, A. Anne Holcomb – Case Manager, Mark Granfors – Chair, Publicity and Resources Committee. Joe Marlin, of KAM Isaiah Israel, was nominated for Secretary of the Board. No nominee was found, and thus no one was nominated for the position of Fundraiser. These are all two year terms beginning July 1, 2004. Nominees for next year's Nominating Committee were: Mark Granfors (Board member, Augustana Lutheran), Tom Bursey (Board member, St. Thomas the Apostle), Janet Geovanis (friend of Church of St. Paul and the Redeemer), Jay Mulberry (Hyde Park Union Church), and Joan Staples (First Unitarian Church). **Those nominated by the Nominating Committee were unanimously approved.**

Treasurer Allan Lindrup came up next, after distributing copies of a financial report for the first ten months of the current fiscal year (July 1, 2003, through April 30, 2004), plus the proposed budget for the new fiscal year. (*See attached*) The financial report showed HPTHP has had a net increase of \$3,617.63 in its balance thus far this fiscal year, with net assets as of April 30, 2004, of \$14,173.51. The Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004, that the Board had previously approved, was also presented. It plans increased income from foundations and denominations, and from businesses in the community. If this hoped for growth of income materializes, it envisions HPTHP taking on a second, concurrently housed and mentored family, next spring. **The proposed budget, for the upcoming fiscal year, was unanimously approved.**

President Don Coleman then presented orally, and in writing, highlights of the organization's last 12 months. (*See attached*) The Annual Business meeting was then adjourned, just 15 minutes after it had begun.

As we had 15 minutes left in our two-hour time block, the audience was given time to ask questions of our featured speaker related to the subject of her presentation. The meeting was adjourned at 9 p.m.

*Minutes by Allan J Lindrup, Acting Secretary*