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# AMBERWOOD

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF AMBERWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

## 2010 AMBERWOOD ANNUAL MEETING CONCERNS

I want to share a concern with all Amberwood residents about a continuing loss in member participation at our annual meetings. Annual meetings are held each October and give homeowners an opportunity to elect Board members, hear reports from our property management company, and voice neighborhood concerns.

Our HOA has 618 properties with voting rights and at least 62 properties must be represented to conduct the annual meeting. A quorum can be met by homeowners eligible to vote attending the meeting, by homeowners assigning proxy votes, or a combination of both. This is data from the last 3 annual meetings and the basis for my concern about the 2010 meeting.

October 24, 2007 - 57 Homeowners + 6 Proxies (No builder vote proxies were cast since we met quorum with homeowners and homeowner proxies.)

October 15, 2008 - 34 Homeowners + 6 Proxies (50 builder vote proxies were cast since we were unable to meet quorum with homeowners and homeowner proxies.)

October 21, 2009 - 27 Homeowners + 5 Proxies (70 builder vote proxies were cast since we were unable to meet quorum with homeowners and homeowner proxies.)

At this time there is only one builder lot remaining in Amberwood and builder vote proxies will not be available to allow us to meet quorum for the 2010 Annual Meeting. This is our neighborhood and I am requesting all homeowners try to participate this October. I also receive e-mails, comments, and calls from Amberwood homeowners with ideas to improve Amberwood. If you would like to participate as a Board member, please make sure you are nominated using the form provided by RealManage or attend the meeting and you can nominate candidates from the floor. The Board needs diversity and homeowner participation.

Tom Witt – Board President

## TEEN DRIVING GUIDE

The website link below will educate and guide parents and teenagers about teen driving.

[http://www.nsc.org/safety\\_road/TeenDriving/Documents/TeenDriverGuide2ndEdBook.pdf](http://www.nsc.org/safety_road/TeenDriving/Documents/TeenDriverGuide2ndEdBook.pdf)

## Amberwood Community Website

<http://amberwoodhomeowners.org>

[http://amberwoodhomeowners.org/classifieds/1\\_Kyle/](http://amberwoodhomeowners.org/classifieds/1_Kyle/)

## Stay Informed

Amberwood residents can use our HOA website to stay informed of neighborhood news and issues at <http://www.amberwoodhomeowners.org/>. We also have neighborhood meetings at Chapa Middle School to discuss current developments and concerns. These meetings are informal and allow residents to hear neighborhood and local issues, voice opinions, and get to know each other.

Some of the major benefits to attending our neighborhood meetings are an increased understanding of HOA operations, interacting with our neighbors, and participating in Amberwood planning. If you have not been attending meetings due to scheduling, we are discussing alternate meeting days and will advise residents of any changes. If you are not attending because you don't know about the meetings, please send an e-mail to Tom Witt at [thomaslwitt@austin.rr.com](mailto:thomaslwitt@austin.rr.com) and he will add you to our Amberwood e-mail directory. In addition to being notified of upcoming meetings, you will receive e-mails on current issues and meeting summaries in case you are unable to attend.



