

Sunnyside Neighborhood Association

Board meeting minutes - September 9 2021

Attendees – Ben Wyatt, Ash Hester, Vincent Dawans, Hannah Wallace, Jessie Maran, Doug Klotz, Andrea Robbins, Matt Lambo, Chris Waldman, Tina K. KC Hoffert, Julie Peatie, “KOIN desk”

- Welcome and recap of the night’s agenda by Ash.
- Attendance and approval of the July Minutes – Minutes approved
- Review of officer positions and appointment of newly vacated officer positions (Chair and President)
 - Vincent nominates Ash for President, Hannah for Vice President and to make the Treasurer (Vincent Dawans) and Secretary (Ben Wyatt) official. Hannah seconds and votes confirm the appointments.
 - Hannah nominates Christopher Waldman for a board position; Vincent seconds, Ash nominates Emily McCadden for a board position and Hannah seconds
 - Discussion – Compliments from other board members for the nominees and an offer from Matt to take their time to accept the nominations.
 - Emily McCaddon accepted the nomination and shares about her involvement in the neighborhood shower project. Shares about desire to be more involved
 - Christopher Waldman accepts the nomination and shares about his connection to the neighborhood. He also shares about his previous board experience.
 - Ash moves to vote for Emily and Hannah seconds – Board votes and position confirmed – One year to fill the vacated position
 - Hannah moves to vote for Andrea seconds – Board votes and position confirmed – One year to fill the vacated position
 - KC Hoffert officially steps down from the treasurer role and confirms Vincent Dawans as her replacement
- System of processes discussion
 - Google account – Matt Lambo hosts this account, hosts the website and the domain. Donating these services for now. Board members are all users. Maintains the SNA google overview document
 - Vincent asks about public group document – Matt reports it is no longer a thing and it is deleted.
 - Ben to send minutes to SNA board email
 - Discussion about inclusion of pervious board members on the board email. Vincent and Matt feel this has historical value and may be called “the counsel of the wise”.

- Website
 - Vincent asks who uses it
 - Hannah does, Ash has no interest, Matt uses it
 - Hannah also maintains the facebook page and offer to add things for others on the board.
- Protocol for being a speaker asking for endorsement – Ash shares history of this topic
 - Ash will write policy for speakers and forward it to the board.
 - Ben suggests a preamble at the beginning so people do not seek exceptions to the protocol.
- Committee and Officer reports
 - DEIA – Ash reports
 - Growing as a committee – Shares about effort to reach out to property managers to get news letters to those without doorways. Managers asked for PDF; Vincent will send. Also, working to get news letters to the elderly. Also, reaching out to BIPOC business to get them involved.
 - SNACC – Jes says this group needs a lead.
 - SESPTSA – Ash asks if someone would like to lead this committee – Andrea offers and the offer is accepted.
 - Treasurer – Vincent does not have access yet so Matt Reports out
 - \$5,802.14
 - Some donations via the website and check donations
 - Matt remind listeners that we are not a 501C3 so no tax write off
 - May give through SE Uplift if they want a tax write off
 - Donor (anonymous) pledged \$100 monthly and wanted it earmarked for the shower program
 - Discussion about how to allocate the money to a particular program.
 - Hannah reminds the group about the upcoming de-escalation training
 - Business association – Dave stepped down and Andrea reports it has been passed on to her. Still waiting on notes from meetings. Attended BABA meeting this morning and they are excited about the Belmont street fair. They donated a table and they would like some volunteers.
 - Discussion about what working the table looks like; mostly question answering.
 - SE Uplift
 - Hired an Executive Director who will be starting in October
- Meeting concludes

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General meeting minutes - September 9 2021

Attendees – Ben Wyatt, Ash Hester, Vincent Dawans, Hannah Wallace, Jessie Maran, Doug Klotz, Andria Robbins, Matt Lembo, Chris Waldman, Julia Peattie, “KOIN desk”

- Belmont Street fair
 - Ash shares about what our Booth will look like
 - Trying to get some pamphlets
 - There will be tables and chairs so swing on by
- Inner SE Action – Doug Klots - Here to talk about Hawthorne pedestrian entrance – “Save the Fred Meyer Hawthorne pedestrian entrance” is the name of the effort.
 - The issue – Fred Meyer has closed the Hawthorne-facing pedestrian entrance. It is now an exit only.
 - Doug shares the rules around such an entrance and a brief history of why the entrance was determined and issue and slated to be closed (loss prevention concerns); highlights the equity concerns for elderly and disabled if they were to be made to walk around the whole building. Petition has been sent to the Mayor and Commissioner Dan Ryan.
 - Julie Peattie shares appreciation for Doug’s effort.
 - Matt suggests we publically “shame” through media and other outlets and visit the store manager via a back channel of some sort.
 - Andrea says approaching corporate may be more effective than the store manager.
 - Vincent suggests writing an article and include petition. Reminds the group that endorsement from the association can be in the form of helping.
 - Vincent asks if essentially, the petition is asking the City to do their job
 - Doug says they are doing their job but we are showing support.
 - Discussion around loss prevention vs. fines.
 - Attendees share ideas about how to influence Fred Meyer to let the access remain.
 - Doug reports trying to get in touch with disability rights Oregon
 - Ash adds Paralyzed Veterans of Oregon to the list of organizations that may help. She will reach out to Doug about next steps with the endorsement and encourages continued outreach.
- Vincent shares bylaws around voting in a general meeting – Must be 15 voting to have a quorum.

- Ash opens the meeting up to attendees, asking what they would like to see for their community and this organization
 - Vincent says he will write a little about what the neighborhood association is. He is currently doing research into the Sunnyside NA history. Recently read the Sunnyside 20-year plan. Suggests we identify a long-term plan.
 - Matt reaches back to the historical plan and shares a desire to have a Sunnyside Plaza and park.
 - Hannah would like to see more getting to know people in the neighborhood once the virus dies down. Asks for suggestions for the Q&A in the newsletter
 - Andrea shares about the value of a block party. Would love to see something similar to “good in the hood” gathering she used to attend.
 - Other attendees add to the gathering idea
 - Vincent highlights the divide between Glencoe school attendees and Sunnyside attendees
 - Vincent shares about the 1972 creation of the association and that the piazza was part of a model block to spearhead urban renewal.
- Ash shares about the time and date for the next SNACC meeting. Also, reminds people that SNACC needs a chair. 9-16-21
- Ash reminds about next DEIA meeting 10-5-21 @ 6:30
- Piazza update – Ash
 - Sunny Sunflower was the winner with approx. 180 people voting; Just waiting on residents to sign approval and ordering paint. Fundraised over \$1000 on GoFundMe. City Repair made a donation as well and the city reached out about a light installation show.
- Ash asks for topic for the next meeting;
 - Matt suggests we dig back through the minutes and pick up some old ideas. Vincent agrees, saying we should set long term goals of our own “what do we want our neighborhood to look like in 20 years?”
- Meeting concludes