



# WEST SEVENTH STREET / FORT ROAD FEDERATION

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## **D9 Fort Road Federation** **Community Engagement & Fundraising Committee** **2.15.24**

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This meeting will be held online via Zoom.

Present:

- I. Call to Order 6:40pm**
- II. Introductions** (name and neighborhood) - [Digital Sign-In](#) for guests
- III. Agenda**

**6:30 - 6:40: Updates - Julia/Maggie**

- Winter Walk
- Neighborhood Profiles

**6:40 - 7:00: Upcoming Events: Planning & Volunteering - Maggie/All**

- Community Safety Meeting with Office of Neighborhood Safety 2/22/24 from 6:00-7:00 at Palace Community Center
- Prospective Board Member Info Session - 3/9/24 from 9:00-10:00 at Wildflyer Coffee
- Prospective Board Member Info Session - 3/19/24 from 7:00-8:00 (Virtual)
- St. Paul Art Crawl - April 19th – 21st at Schmidt Artist Lofts
- Spring Clean-up Site Hosting - 4/20/24 from 9:00-11:30 at Rathskeller
- Annual Meeting - 4/23/24 from 6:00-8:00 at Summit Brewing Company
- Garden Tour - 6/15/24 from 10:00-3:00

**7:00 - 7:10: Fundraising - Maggie/All**

- Grants and Awards
  - St. Paul Foundation Application (submitted 2/5/24)
- Other: AARP Community Challenge, Polaris Foundation, Otto Bremer Trust Foundation

**7:10-7:20: 2024 Goals - Maggie/All**

- Q1 - Prepare for Annual Meeting
- Q2 - Garden Tour and Summer Social
- Q3 - Fundraiser
- Q4 - Winter Walk
- Submit and receive a grant in FY 2024

**7:20-7:55: Fundraiser Ideation - Maggie/Julia**

- Fundraising goal?
- What? When? Where?
- Budget request?

**IV. Community**

**V. Committee Business**



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## **6:30 - 6:40: Updates - Julia/Maggie**

- Winter Walk - we had five community members attend, it was a nice location, and it went well. Folks seemed to enjoy the event.
- Neighborhood Profiles - the two folks I reached out to haven't gotten back to us. Other options could be Hail Mary, Potions & Pebbles, and Lodge of Lazarus Crowe. Let's solidify the questions.

## **6:40 - 7:00: Upcoming Events: Planning & Volunteering - Maggie/All**

- Prospective Board Member Info Session - 3/9/24 from 10:00-11:00am at Wildflyer Coffee
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  - Brooke will be pushing out information on the board sessions and annual meeting. It will be published by Community Reporter and Villager. On Facebook and in neighborhood groups. Flyers will be put up.
  - Media contact? Maybe a radio station as well? Both could be useful to get the word out. Julia will connect with Korinne on WCCO.
- St. Paul Art Crawl - April 19th – 21st at Schmidt Artist Lofts
  - Confirm date and time for Art Crawl table
  - We will check in on what we need to bring
- Spring Clean-up Site Hosting - 4/20/24 from 9:00-11:30 at Rathskeller
  - LBNA is interested, we will combine. Julia will follow up with Korinne on combining events.
- Annual Meeting - 4/23/24 from 6:00-8:00 at Summit Brewing Company
  - Sean Kershaw is the speaker
  - Timeless Connections: Strengthening Community Ties
  - Social hour 6-7pm, Meeting at 7pm
  - Vote on election and t-shirt designs
  - No shirt designs yet - due April 5th
  - Working on confirming org tables
- Garden Tour - 6/15/24 from 10:00-3:00
  - Meeting again on Feb 20th to discuss next steps for planning
  - 9 gardens, want to get a few more gardens signed up. Korinne will commit to garden
  - Minneapolis garden sale will provide us with leftover plants and we are on the list for MS market as well
  - West 7th community center will be the hub
  - Julia reached out to a few more orgs today and we will continue to work on that task
  - Will need volunteers for the Garden Tour - we will need hands on deck. Will create a sign up sheet for volunteers as we get closer with shifts and clear jobs

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## **7:20-7:55: Fundraiser Ideation - Maggie/Julia**

- Fundraising goal?
- What? When? Where?
  - Leaning towards a casual event, rent out a space and have food
  - Initial ticket price to come?
  - Auction?
  - Board would invite folks
  - Could host it at someones home? Korinne could be interested in hosting. Exclusive party. Could perhaps get the Dabbler Depot to come hand out samples.
  - Day by Day patio could be a nice place to have an exclusive event
  - BINGO always goes well as a fundraiser - Bad Weather, Mancinis, Degidios
- Budget request?

## **VI. Adjourn 7:40pm**

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### **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

- Board Meeting - 03/12/24 at 7pm
- CE&F Monthly meeting 03/21/24 at 6:30pm