

CNIA Board Minutes

Tues., January 16, 2024, 5 pm

Location: Zoom

PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

Attendance:

Chris

Erica

James

Renee

Barbara

Steve

MINUTES:

- [Link](#) to December 19, 2023 minutes
- Approval of minutes - Approved

TREASURER'S REPORT: James

- Balance: \$3,031.39
- Money in: \$0
- Money out: \$68.78 [Reimbursements pending]
- For discussion: Mission Organic Center donation
 - Do we want to continue to accept donations?
 - They've been sending to the Connectors too
 - We have history with this group, long term relationship, they've donated in the past
 - Donation was not solicited, they offer
 - Could we routinely ask for donations from other businesses?
 - Will discuss, could be a possibility

NEW TREASURER:

- We still need to recruit a Treasurer.
 - No further discussion today

TEAM REPORTS:

Community Outreach: Erica/Jane

- Follow up: donation to/on behalf of Mike Dingle & his band
 - Steve gave him \$100 out of his pocket - can get reimbursed from Treasure

- Follow up: unclaimed prizes from the holiday celebration
 - Resolved, all have been claimed
- Follow up: Casa Colibri donations
 - All donations have been given, Barbara to work with other advisory members to help with fulfilling donations
 - The CNIA members were able to fill 26 of the 41 requests. None of the requests for pet items or baby items were filled.

- SF Mobile Rec & Park: Cayuga Park, Sat., January 27th, 11am - 2 pm
 - BMX and skateboarding equipment (no climbing wall)
 - Can we set up a table? Announce to our membership? Ask other businesses if they want to be involved (science center, etc)
 - Need to assign shifts for manning the table
 - Chris could take a shift, Erica could maybe do 12-2
 - Erica will email the contact, ask if there is a flyer we could share
 - Also put up a flyer at the Park
 - Set up in tennis court area, easier to ride around
- Inaugural CNIA happy hour
 - Proposed date: Fri., February 9th
 - Proposed location: Halfway Club
 - Could do a small, 1 item raffle, maybe a gift certificate from Halfway club
 - Maybe bring some discreet signage
 - Nametags
 - 5-7 pm
 - They have some pub food available
 - Will ask if they'll do a drink special for us
 - For getting the word out: email list, facebook, put on the website, share with neighboring groups (Joelle - OMRA), Erica will make a digital flyer
- EAG XO Community Grant (now the CBD): application due Sun., February 18th
 - Event needs to be held by August
 - Ideas for event (meant to fund culturally oriented events)
 - Easter event?
 - Graduation Event
 - Something with food involved and youth
 - Something at the Powerhouse
 - Years ago, did a concert in the park, asked for Donations
 - Erica to set up a separate meeting to brainstorm
- February Quarterly Meeting
 - Proposed date: Wed., February 21st (third Wed. of the month) or move to another weekday
 - Let's try a couple of Thursdays; let's confirm with Bethel
 - Barbara to confirm
 - If they are available, ask about starting at 6

- If there is a speaker, plan on a 90 minute meeting
- Time: 7 pm or earlier start at 6 pm
- Format: hybrid (in-person at Addis Kidan Church & Zoom)
 - Hybrid worked okay, but was hard to hear if folks weren't close to the laptop
 - Need to invest in a microphone
- Guest Speakers: SF Animal Care & Control on animal care/abuse/neglect laws, coyote behavior, or what the agency can or cannot do in various situations
 - Let's ask SF Animal Care & Control
 - Erica to ask MG if she can ask her contact
- Invitees: Sam Berenstein, Supervisor Safai's office, who else?
 - Need to be more specific in our ask to Supervisors office
 - Barbara will ask and will ask about a rep from Police Dept
- "Spring Fling" event
 - Roll into Grant discussion

Membership: Erica/Jane/Renee

- Proposing separate working session to discuss goals & plans for 2024
- Did a lot of events last year, got more engaged with the community
- How did that go? Maybe let's pull some numbers. Is it working?
- Do we have a target number for how much we want to raise?
- Non profit status
- Basically let's develop a plan
- Effort of getting people to become a member in an effort to raise money is not proving effective
 - Perhaps we just include everyone in the district and ask folks if they want to provide donations for events
 - Getting very little money with this model
- Erica to send a list to be included in the newsletter of what we did in 2023 and what we hope to do in 2024
- Erica to propose some dates for a focused meeting

Newsletter: Colleen/Chris

- Aiming to send next newsletter in mid-February, timed with the quarterly meeting
- Chris and Barb to prep the next one
- In the past we had mailed it out to certain people as needed
- Need clearer DRIs for newsletters going forward to ensure a smoother process
 - October letter never made it out
 - Take what we meant to send in October and send for the Feb
 - In the past there has been article from the President, need one for this next one to go out
 - Colleen has been using Canva
 - Erica uses Adobe In Design

- Timeline: have newsletter ready for when we sent out the notification for the announcement of the upcoming quarterly membership meeting
- Need all articles in by Feb 1st
- Barb and Chris can design, using Word, have final ready for the 8th
 - And that is when we would send the invite for the quarterly meeting “save the date”
 - Then 1 week out send out the zoom link, with a reminder
- Erica to send a list to be included in the newsletter of what we did in 2023 and what we hope to do in 2024

Cayuga Clean: Steve

- Clean up this Sat, Meet at Alemany and Seneca at 10am
- Project to install planters along 2000 Alemany block is still in process.
 - Looking for someone to partner on this, been hard to drive forward

Beautification: Barbara/Kassie

- No updates for this month

Resilience: Chris/James

- The Resilience process is currently undergoing a reorganization through DEM. Dan Homsey is currently on LOA.
- Free CYC emergency preparedness classes
- Chris to join a meeting tonight to get updates; city is taking over
- Maybe let's see if we can have a workshop for our neighborhood

NERT: Jane

Community Connectors: Colleen

Mission Inn: Barbara

- **Steve Currier announcement at D11C: There will be an Advisory Board meeting on 12-11-23 @ 6P at the Mission Inn site. This meeting will be open to the public. Attendance is encouraged.**

Cayuga Park: Chris

- Coordination to display painted rocks in the park (Erica)
 - Need to figure out the plan for displaying; research varnish, work with Chris on where to put them
 - New volunteer coordinator
 - Maybe we include in part of the Spring Fling
- Follow up: Little Learners holiday party

Pit Stop: Renee/Glenda

- no updates

OLD BUSINESS:

Bylaws: James

- Confirm new bylaws and officer roles are in the Google Drive & on website

Non-profit Status: James

- More research done but still need to get copy of Articles. Bylaws changes now done.

Pacific Super Site Future: Kassie

Have tried twice now to email Esther Lee for an update on what is going on with the Lease, and have not received a response.

Strategy meeting: James

NEW BUSINESS:

Pedestrian Safety Improvements

- Geneva & San Jose via Scott Falcone
 - Email exchange forwarded
 - Unclear what specifically is not being implemented
 - Biggest improvement suggestion was to the train platform
 - Need someone to take up the banner from Scott
 - Renee had only sent a question up re: with increase of foot traffic, is there intent to make that crossing safer
 - NMTA was successful with getting slowing on San Jose north of Geneva
 - Let's contact that person and figure out what he did
 - Renee willing to reach out to him to learn the process
- Alemany & Naglee
 - Maybe once info is learned, replicate for this intersection as well

PARTNER ORGANIZATION UPDATES:

Excelsior Action Group (EAG)

Excelsior Collaborative

Geneva Office Building

New Mission Terrace Improvement Association

SFPD Ingleside Police Department

D11 Committee Updates: Kassie Attended this month; lots going on.

3 Key items: What to do with the other half of the Geneva Powerhouse Building - lots of discussion around this and brainstorming ways to gain interest in the community. Think it would be good to keep CNIA involved and to have a voice in the conversation.

The Excelsior CBD (formerly EAG): Have finalized the non-profit status, spending next 60 days to set up the board, will bring in \$330K of tax revenue for services along the Mission St. Biz corridor; Would like an advisory committee for South of Geneva

- We had an advisory committee before COVID
- Had some resistance from businesses in our section
- Store fronts up on Mission being used as housing
 - City would have to pursue
 - Stores aren't supposed to have front windows blocked out

Alex Tourk and "2000 open doors.com" <https://2000opendoors.org/> starting a new initiative for housing homeless, can go to the website and add your name and a proposed location. Proposal is to set up locations of 40 tiny, pre fabricated homes around the city, for temporary transitional housing.