

CNIA Board Meeting Minutes

November 9, 2021 via ZOOM 4p

Attending:

Chris Dillon, Acting President
Renee Anderson, Treasurer
M.G. Thomas, Secretary
Steve Indig, Cayuga Clean Team
Barbara Fugate, Officer at Large
Jane Merschen, Officer at Large
Glenda Hope, Officer at Large
Jorge Palafox, Officer at Large

Excused absence: Colleen Piontek, Cayuga Community Connectors

The meeting was called to order at 4:05pm.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Strategic Planning meeting

This should be scheduled sometime before January so we can put the results in our January newsletter and discuss it at the January general meeting. Renee's suggestions to discuss at the strategic planning meeting are:

1. Why does CNIA exist? (our Mission)
2. What does CNIA do in general? (Our goals/role in the community)
3. What is/are the most important thing/s we should do this year? (our priorities)
4. Who and how will that happen? (tactics)
5. How will we know that we're successful? (setting and trying to meet goals via our prioritized activities)

Content for the January general meeting

Some suggestions are:

- a). The New Mission Inn conversion to housing for formerly homeless. We could consider a presentation by 'Together SF' for our next board meeting. They have informative seminars at [Webinar Videos — \(togethersf.org\)](https://togethersf.org)
- b). The city's proposed assumption of PG&E infrastructure: what does this mean for consumers?
- c). The recent murder in the area adjacent to the Alemany DPW wall hilites the community's concern about that area. The homeless encampment, which is mostly vehicles, has returned since the closing of the Vehicle Triage Site & is expanding. The area behind Pacific Super is once again an area of concern.
What are our options in addressing this 'life safety' and 'quality of life' concern? Can this be linked also to our PIT STOP project?
- d). Do we want to schedule presentations for the board meeting in December as part of the decision making process?

The board decided to schedule a special meeting, 11-30@4p to pursue these two topics.

Treasurer's Report:

Renee Anderson reported that our checking balance is \$3,613.73, which includes two \$10 membership payments. The CNIA took ownership of the Zoom account that Jane Merschen had opened for us. Renee has been updating the membership list to include the date when the member paid their dues and the expiration date. We'll use the updated info to send out expiry notices to members.

Team Reports:

Cayuga Clean:

Steve Indig told us about the next planned clean-up event. It will be on Nov, 13, from 2-4:00pm. It will start at Alemany and Ottawa and continue on to Geneva Ave. Steve also encouraged us to consider the city's Adopt A Street program.

https://sfpublicworks.org/get_involved/adopt-street-program

Friends of Cayuga Park:

Chris visited with the teacher and the children at the Islamic School that is now using the Cayuga Park clubhouse. They were very friendly and open to having an event in the park where they could meet with neighborhood people. Chris will keep in touch with the teacher about that possibility.

Resilience:

Jorge Palafox said there were no specific updates, but noted that this topic should be a part of our strategic planning meeting. There was an upcoming Resilience meeting to be held on Thursday evening. Chris said she could not attend that and encouraged others to attend.

Cayuga Community Connectors:

Colleen Piontek will provide an update at a later date.

Pit Stop:

Renee reported that Lauren Chung, in Supervisor Safai's office, said that this year's budget for pit stops has already been allocated to other areas, such as the Tenderloin and SOMA. With the new encampment behind Pacific Super, the need is getting greater.

Newsletter:

Barbara Fugate asked that people send her information or updates as they happen. Colleen will help with getting the newsletter out electronically to our members. It can go on our website as well.

Membership

Jane Merschen asked for ideas on how to raise membership. Distributing flyers into neighbors' mailboxes didn't seem to work. Perhaps we could post flyers on telephone poles.

NERT:

Jane encouraged everyone to attend the upcoming online NERT meeting. It will include basic information for those who want to learn about NERT, as well as advanced sessions for those who want to re-certify.

[NERT Virtual Training Day - November 2021 Tickets, Sat, Nov 20, 2021 at 8:00 AM | Eventbrite](#)

OLD BUSINESS:

1). Update on our financial audit: Renee is still working with Lisa Winters on this and is providing Lisa the information she asks for.

The next board meeting will be Tuesday, Nov. 30, at 4:00pm via Zoom.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:30pm.

Submitted by

Mary Gayle Thomas
Secretary