

Meeting of the Board of Directors. August 12, 2024, 6:00 to 7:30 PM

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	Agenda Items
6:00 pm	Open & Housekeeping
	Natalie called meeting to order at 6:05.
	Attendance: Victoria (Chair/Secretary); Patrick (Co Chair/Treasurer); Natalie Hart, Kimberly Caprini (Absent: Anndrea, Amelia)
6:45 pm	Business
	 Rashawn Williams New Board Member Review of Recent Events: Baby Shower, NNO, Reimagine the 6th Overview of Promotional Items: Water Bottles, Backpacks, Key Chains Michael Chaney: Sweetie Pie Project/ GGB Upcoming Event: August 17th at City View Apartments Grant writing discussion Green trash burner update? Garden updates? Amelia's Role Moving Forward Invitation for People to Join the Board Training for Board Voting; Primaries & National Elections Need for Larger Space: When Numbers Grow Mailer's, Printing Option & Yard Signs ReShawn for new member: Patrick nominated to approve, Natalie seconded, motion passed. Shared notes of activity for the events. Library counted interactions at NNO at 64, and at Take back 6th the library had 156. Baby Shower started slow but turned out well with mapping and gifts, participants may not have visited the vendors so much. Maybe 40 people showed up. Good conversation on gift cards and bags. Good start for a yearly event. Going forward: HP Facebook will show Board meeting events with zoom links at least 3 months at a time, also advertise on our website. Overview of Promo Items: Cityview event on 17th will use about 50 backpacks. Cost Breakdown – backpacks – \$17.50 each. Green water bottles were a hit, \$2.95 each plus shipping. Keychain whistles were \$1.73 each. Idea to add keychains to backpacks. Patrick motioned to approve, Natalie seconded, motion passed. Michael Chaney, Sweetie Pie, flyer was shared for future garden ideas. Patrick shared discussion with Elana – about growing edible flowers and training. Natalie preferred keeping it to neighbors, nearby people, look at models of suggestions, instead of one step removed. Kimberly preferred not generating money for use of the garden. Possibly make it a bar-

ter for supplies for future events. Next steps? Possibly schedule mtg with Elana and GGB. (Vicky gave garden update below)

- 17th Cityview event. Patrick, Anndrea and Vicky attending.
- Amelia's position: Opportunity to redefine her position and to see if she will continue past October. Probably shortening her hours to 10 max a week. Possibility regarding Anndrea's sister applying for CO, they seem to already discuss HP things, raised and lives nearby. Vicky will send the resume to Patrick when received. Vicky will contact Amelia to discuss changes.
- Moving forward on hiring Anndrea as an employee.

Grant writing discussion: Need to have several people working on and watching grant opps. Let's choose an Organizer to monitor the portal for grants, share the description and deadlines, be able to add info to the grants – great skill builder too. (Harrison-pays their board?). HP used to have an Executive Director as well as Comm Org. Patrick will ask Robert about other different neighborhoods and what they do.

Garden Update – Vicky wants to start mailers late in season to find people who have interest in a garden bed. Will use a scoring and lottery system like P&R. Waiting for Park & Rec to share their guidelines for signing up, so we can make a downsized version of scoring anyone who wants a garden. Also the Rules and guidelines for planting and end of season cleanup. Vicky will contact Steve about phase II on adding beds to the garden and fixing the little library (rotting boards) at the garden site.

Board training – Kimberly will look what they use at PW. Training to be more effective.

Growing the board: Need future larger spaces and hoping for Sumner library. At the earliest, Sumner Library will re-open sometime in November. Checking with Phyllis Wheatley area for meetings. (or Summit Academy). Also helpful to be in different building space.

Try to bring laptops to all events, to register folks to vote. Should be a continuous process.

Vicky motioned to adjourn at 715pm, Kimberly seconded, Motion passed. (I do not believe that we approved the agenda or former minutes)

Parking Lot

Future discussions or on hold:

- Patrick is reaching out to Danielle Tegent, proposal to help community communications. Link for story garden. Web update?
- 311 flyers in rentals?
- BLE recording: Valerie Stevenson, interim ED for Phyllis Wheatley, should contact for video contact information
- Board manual update needs review
- Reviewing Bylaw Material on hold
- Start using neighborhood postcard mailings
- Displacement money updates
- Continue building relationships, board recruitment
- Phase 2 of garden?