



## Meeting of the Board of Directors. February 9, 2026, 6:00 to 7:30 PM, virtual

	<p><b>Action Items:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Insurance and receiving purchased items.</li><li>• Creating a process, flyer, etc to distribute funds - Anndrea</li></ul>
<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>Open &amp; Housekeeping</b>
	Vicky called the meeting to order. Patrick seconded, motion passed.
	Attendance: Victoria (Secretary); Patrick (Treasurer); Anndrea (ED); Absent: DeShawn (Treasurer), Candy, Robert (Accountant).
<b>6:10 pm</b>	<b>Business</b>
	<p>Agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Patrick moved to approve the minutes, Anndrea seconded, motion passed.</li><li>• Apparel Update<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Delivery today, nice items</li><li>○ Move to pay Patrick \$55 for his Uber and tip costs, Anndrea seconded, motion passed.</li><li>○ Sumner Library is ready for hats and coats. Also, Phyllis Wheatley.</li><li>○ Patrick moved to donate 24 each, hats and coats. Motion passed.</li><li>○ Vicky motioned to also donate to Pierre Bottineau Library, Patrick seconded. Motion passed.</li></ul></li><li>• County Funding Update:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Pay ourselves back for \$2000 insurance.</li><li>○ \$100,000 total, \$50,000 per year for 2 years.</li><li>○ \$25,000 for administration costs</li><li>○ County will hold \$25,000 for us to distribute to the neighborhood through their online system</li><li>○ This money will last 2 years. Then we will apply for more mid 2027 for the future.</li><li>○ Goal to spend current money by end of 2027</li><li>○ May be a \$3000 yearly limit for individuals from the County. The county will check first if they can be helped through the county. Those not eligible, we could help.</li></ul></li><li>• Annual Minneapolis budget is about \$25,000.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ May work on making a Go Fund me, to help residents.</li></ul></li><li>• Anndrea becoming a full-time employee<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Looking to add more hours for Anndrea so that she can work on processing and marketing to help pay resident bills. Anndrea will check further on creating our process.</li><li>○ Patrick motioned to increase Anndrea's hours up to 30 a week, Vicky seconded. Motion passed.</li><li>○ Partnership with other Orgs to help residents such as CityView. Patrick motioned to Anndrea speak to Carla, to donate coats and resources. Anndrea seconded, motion passed.</li></ul></li><li>• Annual Meeting being Virtual<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ City meeting mentioned we could email to request to hold virtual annual meeting, since there are residents being targeted by ICE. Anndrea will email the request. We can still hold it in person if we choose.</li></ul></li><li>• Ariah requesting State Letter to help retrieve email account</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Both Email are still hacked</li> </ul> <p>Patrick motioned to adjourn, Vicky seconded. Meeting adjourned at 6:53pm.</p> <p>Norms for meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Be respectful to everyone’s time, no interrupting</li> <li>● Start immediately if we have a quorum</li> <li>● Check for quorum, if not, meeting can end</li> <li>● Raise hand after someone seems to have finished talking</li> <li>● Productive conversations</li> </ul> <p>Approaches to make the Board effective</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Trust and respect with the board members</li> <li>● Monthly newsletter and Facebook notices, hand out board meeting information</li> </ul>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Parking Lot</b></p>
	<p>Future discussions or on hold:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● GGB thoughts about using the garden.</li> <li>● Vicky posted board mtgs on Facebook, need to check for updates or continuity.</li> <li>● ED add monthly events to USI newsletter</li> <li>● Laptops at all events with Google form to collect email data.</li> <li>● Grant writing going forward, collective help.</li> <li>● Postcard mailing to the area to find interest for garden?</li> <li>● Continue building relationships, board visits</li> <li>● Phase 2 of garden? 2026?</li> </ul>