

Meeting of the Board of Directors. September 8, 2025, 6:00 to 7:30 PM, Sumner Library conf room

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	Action Items: • Anndrea will complete the NRC application and documents
6:00 pm	Open & Housekeeping
	Anndrea called the meeting to order. Shawn seconded, motion passed.
	Attendance: Victoria (Secretary); Patrick (Chair/Treasurer); Anndrea (ED); Shawn (Treasurer), and Candy. Absent: Maya
6:10 pm	Business
	 Agenda: NRC Application Requirements (Update Bylaws, Annual Budget, Required Documents) Shawn's Roles as Treasurer Garden Status Displacement money? Patrick's Final Thank You
	 Discussion on NRC requirements. Anndrea will finish updating all necessary documents. Due 10/31. We can review again early October. Budget discussion, finalized document for NRC. Will send to board for approval. Updated the bylaws. Mainly changed the Board quantity requirements. Patrick voted to accept the bylaw changes, Anndrea seconded. Motion passed. Need to start counting how many people come to our table and events for future reporting Plan to update a group picture for the website. Shawn cannot attend next month's board mtg. Do we need to pick a different day and time. Garden update, keep checking on water. Called 311, 718 Aldrich for water. No one responding. Displacement money – They are trying to roll out a pilot for \$2.5 mill. Anndrea had meeting today with project crew, SCF. Next yr they will issue money fall 2026. The law stated it be spent by 12/25. Not sure where the money will be sent back. Ricardo continues to advocate. Appears the county is delaying the process so the money is returned to the State. Met Council says they have money too. (9 buckets of \$5 mill) Anndrea's contract ends 10/31/25. Discussion held about the 20 hr weekly limit. Vicky stated that we limited the hours to protect Anndrea's busy life. The hourly wage was increased to keep the pay at the same level. Patrick motioned to amend the contract to say: her hours are not limited weekly. Shawn seconded, motion passed.
	Norms for meetings:
	Be respectful to everyone's time, no interrupting

Start immediately if we have a quorum Check for quorum, if not, meeting can end Raise hand after someone seems to have finished talking Productive conversations Approaches to make the Board effective Trust and respect with the board members Monthly newsletter and Facebook notices, hand out board meeting information **Parking Lot** Future discussions or on hold: GGB thoughts about using the garden. Vicky posted board mtgs on Facebook, need to check for updates or continuity. ED add monthly events to USI newsletter Laptops at all events with Google form to collect email data. Grant writing going forward, collective help. Postcard mailing to the area to find interest for garden? Continue building relationships, board visits Phase 2 of garden? 2026?