



Board of Directors Annual Meeting

January 17, 2018

110 W. Grant, Community Room

Board Members Present – Richard Anderson, Pat Davies, Nick Deacon, Lee Frelich, Mary Alyce Krohnke, Susan Lasoff, Linda Luksan, Karen Lund-Brust, Mary Maier, Laura Mattson, Mark Ring, John Van Heel

Guests Present – Gillian Frothingham Gordon

Call to Order – Linda called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

Approval of the Previous Meeting's Minutes – It was MOVED and SECONDED that the minutes of the December 2017 meeting be approved. Motion CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report – The year ended on a strong note, with >\$6,800 in donations and minimal expenses in December. Cash balance as of January 1, 2018, is \$51,132.76. It was MOVED and SECONDED that the treasurer's report be approved. Motion CARRIED.

2018 Budget – Donations are budgeted more conservatively and expenses are budgeted similarly to the 2017 budget, with the addition of a one-time shed expense that will dip somewhat into the organization's cash reserves. It was MOVED and SECONDED that the 2018 budget be approved. Motion CARRIED.

Elections – It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following slate of board members be elected for two-year terms (until January 2020):

As members at large	Laura, Lee, Linda
As Loring Green East representative	Pat
As Loring Way representative	Richard
As Hyatt Hotel representative	Gillian

Motion CARRIED.

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the following slate be re-elected as officers for 2018:

President	Merry
Vice President	Nick
Treasurer	Mark
Secretary	Linda

Motion CARRIED.

The board extends its thanks to Bill Snyder for his years of dedicated service on the board.

2018 Meeting Schedule – Board meetings will continue to be held the second Wednesday of the month at 5:30 PM.

Annual Report – Board members are to report their 2017 volunteer hours spent on board administration activities to Linda, or record them in Little Green Light. Mary is compiling volunteer gardening hours. Merry has created a first draft of the annual report, which will be posted for board review once the financials, volunteer hours and donor information have been compiled.

Committee Chair Identification – Chairs have been identified for all 2018 committees:

Communications – Laura

Events – Karen

Finance – Mark

Fundraising – Monica Marx (who prefers to be called off-board organizer rather than chairperson)

Gardening – Mary

Infrastructure – John

Safety – Steve

February 13 Appreciation Event – Plans for the event were discussed, with assignments as follow:

Set-up at 4 PM	Gillian, John, Karen, Linda
Microphones, projector, laptop, table lights	Gillian
Menu and room set-up similar to last year	Gillian
Cash bar	Gillian
Name tags and markers	Gillian
Greeters	Karen, Nick
Tri-fold sign display	John
Garden designs display	Mary
Adopt-a-garden display	Peggy MacRae
Photo slide show	Linda
Program	
Welcome and opening remarks	Nick
Thank you to donors	Nick
Thank you to volunteers	Mary
Native Plants in the Shade Garden	Lee
Invitation email	Linda
Personal invitations to special guests	
Lisa Goodman	Pat
Police Precinct Commander	Pat
Mark Clark	Karen
Public Works reps (Andy, Mike, new)	John
Target volunteer leads	Mary

New Business – The City of Minneapolis is planning a network of skateboard parks. With luck, that will reduce the number of skateboarders damaging Loring Greenway structures.

Adjournment – 7 PM

Next Board Meeting – Wednesday, February 14, 5:30 PM, 110 W. Grant, Community Room