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Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, July 17, 2025
6:00pm-8:00pm
Minutes

- I. 6:00 – 6:15 pm DINNER
- II. 6:15 – 6:20 pm Call To Order - Welcome
The meeting was called to order at 6:10 PM.
- III. 6:20 – 6:23 pm Approve/Change Agenda
The agenda was approved with time adjustments. It was noted that the meeting might end early.
- IV. 6:23 – 6:30 pm Meeting Minutes - December
The minutes from the previous meeting, sent via email, were reviewed and approved.
- V. 6:30 – 6:45 pm Safety Committee Report – Bill Magnuson, MPD

Bill Magnuson provided an update on public safety in the Jordan neighborhood:

- Crime Statistics: Discussion focused on "Part 1 Crimes," which are victim-focused offenses.
- Garage Burglaries: An uptick in garage burglaries was reported.
- Homelessness Influx: There has been a significant increase in unhoused individuals near the Broadway corridor, causing concerns for local businesses. This influx is attributed to the closure of several encampments, displacing individuals into the area.
 - Response: MPD has conducted outreach and increased patrol presence, particularly in the "L" area, which has helped encourage movement. Restoration Inc. (identifiable by orange shirts) is expected to provide additional services, particularly on weekends when Peacekeepers are not present.
- Youth Services: Streetworks, an organization serving individuals under 24, continues to provide support in the area.

- VI. 6:45– 7:15 pm African American Child Wellness Institute – Lisa Bryant

Lisa Bryant presented on the African American Child Wellness Institute, a culturally specific, trauma-informed community mental health clinic.

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- Population Served: Black and African children, birth to 18 years old, and their families.
- Services Offered: Play therapy, music therapy, telehealth, and parent education programs designed to equip caregivers with additional tools.
- Insurance: The clinic accepts insurance and also works with families who do not have coverage.
- Follow-Up: Dr. BraVada Garrett-Akinsanya and other leadership have been invited to a future Board meeting to discuss terminology and community engagement. They were also invited to JACC's July 24th Seeds of Engagement meeting, which will focus on grief and trauma training.

VII. 7:15 – 7:25 pm Financial Update

Peacekeepers Balance: An outstanding balance with Brothers Empowered Peacekeepers remains. While JACC has secured a city grant for violence prevention, the funds are still being processed.

CenterPoint Energy Grants: Ebony Chambers will meet with Executive Director Audua to begin the application process for available grants.

VIII. 7:25 – 7:35 pm JACC as Financial Sponsor

The Board discussed a request from the Minnesota Environmental Justice Table for JACC to serve as its fiscal sponsor.

- Pros: The arrangement would provide unrestricted funds to JACC.
- Considerations: All organizational information would become public.
- *No final decision was made; discussion will continue.*

IX. 7:35 – 7:40 pm Board Recruitment & Engagement

Recruitment: Board members were encouraged to continue recruiting new members.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Community Clean-ups on July 31st – Board members are needed to volunteer.

Garden Dedication event on Friday, July 25th – Members are encouraged to attend.

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X. 7:40 - 8:00 pm Last comments

Aldi Closure: It was clarified that the local Aldi store closed temporarily due to being short-staffed, not because of shoplifting. The store had sought to hire locally.

Board Responsibilities: Members were reminded of the expectation to volunteer at least once per month and to assist with flyering and outreach efforts.

XI. 8:00 pm

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

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