Concordia Neighborhood Association
Board Meeting
December 13, 2016
Kennedy School Community Room, 6 to 6:30pm
MINUTES
(Prepared by Susan Millhauser)

Board Member Attendance

Chair – Isaac Quintero PRESENT (arr. 6:15)  
East 1 – Tyler Bullen PRESENT
East 2 – Steve Elder PRESENT
Southwest 1 – Garlynn Woodsong PRESENT
Southwest 2 – Daniel Greenstadt PRESENT
Northwest 1 – Isham “Ike” Harris PRESENT
Northwest 2 – Sean Duffy ABSENT

At Large 1/Treasurer – Robert Bowles PRESENT
At Large 2 – Donn Dennis PRESENT
At Large 3 – Vacant
At Large 4/Secretary – Ali Novak PRESENT
At Large 5/Vice Chair – Chris Lopez PRESENT
At Large 6 – Truls Neal PRESENT

Also in attendance: Susan Millhauser, contract Board scribe, Nancy Varekamp, CNews / Media Team, Heather Pashley, Amalie Marian

Welcome and Introductions

Vice Chair Chris Lopez called the meeting to order at 6:03pm and called the role and established a quorum.

CONSENT AGENDA Approve/Amend Agenda and Prior Board Meetings Minutes

1. Vice Chair Lopez reviewed the agenda. An additional agenda item was added under New Business – to discuss a draft letter for a future edition of CNews.

2. Draft November Board and Annual Meeting minutes were distributed prior to the meeting.

   MOTION (Ike/Daniel) – To table approval of the November meeting minutes until next month. 10 in favor, 0 opposed. MOTION PASSES.

Treasurer’s Report – None

Public Comment – None

Old Business – None

New Business

1. At-Large 3 Board Position Open Seat

   Chris noted that the AL3 position was vacant since Joe Culhane had submitted his resignation via email after the November Board meeting. He noted that Jody Pollak was still interested in serving on the Board.

   MOTION (Ike/Tyler) – To appoint Jody Pollak to serve the remaining year of the AL 3 position on the Board. 9 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention. MOTION PASSES.
2. Vernon School Parking Lot Rental for Holiday Party

Chris noted that the need for $52.50 to rent the parking lot had been resolved and no longer required Board action.

3. CNews Proof Printing Expense

Daniel noted that the Media Team had received a request from Gordon to be reimbursed for the monthly expense of printing the newspaper for proofing. He noted it’s typically less than $10/month and Gordon was requesting to be reimbursed for three months.

   MOTION (Daniel/Garlynn) – To approve reimbursement for proof printing costs to reimburse Gordon, approximately $18 ($6 x three months). 10 in favor, 0 opposed. MOTION PASSES.

4. CNA Night at Concordia Univ. Basketball

Daniel shared there was an opportunity for a member (or members) of the Board to attend upcoming CU basketball games (12/29 and 1/7) for free and to speak briefly to those in attendance to promote CNA. Ali noted that the LUTC had discussed this and felt it was a bit disingenuous since CU is not willing to sit down with them to discuss a Good Neighbor Agreement. Ike volunteered to attend the games on behalf of the Board. Garlynn stated he could draft some bullet points for Ike.

5. Annual CNA/East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District (EMSWCD) Workshop

Chris provided background on this annual workshop presented for free by the EMSWCD, which typically covers backyard habitat, urban stormwater management, and related topics. No dates had been proposed yet but it would be sometime in March or April on a Wednesday or Thursday night in the Community Room at the Kennedy School, which CNA would provide free of charge.

   MOTION (Robert/Ike) – To table approval until next month. 11 in favor, 0 opposed. MOTION PASSES.


Daniel gave an overview of the letter that had been drafted by members of the CNews team and community members for inclusion in an upcoming edition of the CNews. A draft had been sent to the Board for their review and input. Ali read aloud the version of the letter with her suggested revisions, which mostly were to change tense and reflect what the Board is seeking. It was noted that as the letter would be from the Board, all of their names and official CNA email addresses should be included. It was suggested that a sidebar could also be added with relevant resource and links. Garlynn suggested a phone number could also be added, using a Google phone number that instantly sends a message to the chair when there is a voicemail.

   MOTION (Garlynn/Steve) – To approve the letter as edited by Ali for inclusion in the February CNews, with additional resources included along side. 11 in favor, 0 opposed. MOTION PASSES.

7. Other New Business

Ike requested that next month there be an agenda item to discuss the Board’s 2016 accomplishments.
Community and Committee Reports – A written Media Team report was passed out.

Meeting Adjourned

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:30pm.

The next Board meeting will be held Tuesday, January 10 from 7 to 8:30pm at the Kennedy School, Community Room.