Concordia Neighborhood Association Board and General Combined Meeting

August 7, 2019
Kennedy School Community Room
MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Chair – Chris Lopez	Present
Vice Chair and At Large 5 – Truls Neal	Present
Treasurer and East 1 – Heather Pashley	Present
Secretary and East 2 – Steve Elder	ABSENT
NW 1 – Ike Harris	Present
NW 2 – Amelie Marian	Present
SW 1 – Garlynn Woodsong	Present
SW 2 – Ali Novak	Present
At Large 1 – Robert Bowles	Present
At Large 2 – Donn Dennis	ABSENT
At Large 3 – John McSherry	ABSENT
At Large 4 – Sonia Fornoni	Present
At Large 6 – Matt Boyd	ABSENT

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Nancy Varekamp, C-News Editor; Gordon Riggs, Media Team Lead; Astrid, Brent, and Luciana Furstner, neighbors; Isaac Quintero, neighbor; Brian Symes, neighbor, Pat King, neighbor, and Jessica Rojas, NECN

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS:

The Chair, Chris, called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. and a quorum was established.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND PRIOR MINUTES:

- MOTION: Heather Pashley moved to approve the August 2019 Agenda as corrected. The motion was seconded by Robert Bowles.
 - **MOTION PASSED** by majority voice vote; 0 opposed; 0 abstained.
- **MOTION:** Heather Pashley moved to approve the July 2019 Board Meeting Minutes as presented. The Motion was seconded by Robert Bowles.
 - **MOTION PASSED** by majority voice vote; 0 opposed; 1 abstained.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Chair recognized Pat King from Ainsworth Methodist Church announced that the Church is planning on opening a warming center this Fall/Winter. The Center would be able to accommodate up to 10 people. The Church is located at Ainsworth. Ms. King asked that if there are any concerns to please contact the Church.

OLD BUSINESS:

 CNA Community Partners. A list was requested of all current and potential future partners. The Chair indicated that a list could be provided of current partners.

ACTION: No action taken; postponed to the September 2019 board meeting.

NEW ACTIONABLE ITEMS:

The Chair recognized Isaac Quintero, past CNA Board member. Mr. Quintero requested that CNA support an article be written regarding the problems facing Birch trees in the neighborhood. Mr. Quintero provided information regarding Verticillium Wilt in the Pacific Northwest and information regarding the Birch beetle.

ACTION: The Chair instructed Mr. Quintero to write an article for the October C-News regarding his view regarding the Birch beetle and Verticillium wilt and to coordinate with the Media team to do so.

The Chair recognized Jessica Rojas from NECN. Ms. Rojas provided the Board with funds related to the CNA Clean-Up event. She also provided the Board with an update regarding the Office for Community for City Life and stated that they no longer have staff.

Discussion was held regarding potential changes to the Portland City Code that defines neighborhood associations. (Portland City Code section 3.96.060.) It was announced that modifications to the Code were being made that would affect neighborhood associations in an effort to assist with diversity.

MOTION: Garlynn Woodson moved that CNA write a letter to the Portland City Council regarding CNA's position on the system reform and providing comments to the Portland City Code changes. The Motion was seconded by Ike Harris.

MOTION PASSED by majority voice vote; 0 opposed; 0 abstained. The Chair instructed Garlynn Woodsong to draft the letter and provide it to the Board for review

CNA COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee. No reports

<u>Land Use Transportation Committee (LUTC)</u>. The LUTC members include John McSherry, Steve Elder, and Garlynn Woodsong. Garlynn reported that the next LUTC meeting would be held on August 21, 2019.

ACTION ITEM: Garlynn Woodsong presented the Board with copies of the three letters written on behalf of CNA. The letters are attached to the August 2019 Minutes for the record.

- 1. Letter dated July 11, 2019, indicating support for the Community Sports Complex on the Portland Public Schools Adams/Whitaker Site adjacent to Fernhill Park.
- 2. Letter dated July 11, 2019, indicating non-opposition to partial vacation of NE 27th at Lombard.
- 3. Letter dated July 15, 2019, addressed to the Portland Bureau of Transportation regarding CNA's concerns related to the Columbia/Lombard Mobility Corridor Plan.

<u>Media Team:</u> Gordon Riggs, Media Team Lead, provided the Board with a written Media Team Report. Mr. Riggs reported that CNA's Facebook page has 423 members and that there are approximately 6,500

copies of the C-News distributed to the neighborhood on a monthly basis. Mr. Riggs indicated that the publication of CNews has an approximate loss of \$742 per month, but that there is room for advertisement to assist in offsetting the cost. Mr. Riggs reported that the current advertising chair was at capacity and therefore would like to hire a second advertising chair to assist.

MOTION: Robert Bowles moved to allow the Media Committee to explore the hiring of an additional advertising member by beginning the public recruitment process. The Motion was seconded by Ali Novak.

MOTION PASSED by majority voice vote; 0 opposed; 0 abstained.

CNA Spring Cleanup. The Treasurer, Heather Pashley reported the following income/expense analysis:

Donations from Cars: \$2,979
Yard Income: \$379.10
Metro Metal Income: \$157.20
PBS/NECN Income: \$1,570.77
Portland Disposal Cost: (\$2,722.00)
General Expenses: (\$174.45)

Total Profit: \$2,189.62

<u>Social Committee.</u> Sonia Fornoni announced that Alberta Main Street is seeking volunteers for the street fair.

A report was made regarding National Night Out indicating that there were less people in attendance than at the concerts, but that it was a successful neighborhood event that appeared to bring the community together.

The next social mixer will be sponsored by Kiss and will be held on August 21 from 6-8 p.m. The location would be at the Art Gallery.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The issue of community media partnership is postponed again for the next Board meeting. Discussion to be held regarding community partnership with C-News for Alberta Main Street and the Cerimon House.

MEETING ADJOURNED.

The Board Meeting was adjourned by general consent by Chris Lopez at 9:04 p.m. The next Board meeting will be held on September 4, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Astrid B. Furstner

Astrid B. Furstner, Recording Secretary