

**Concordia Neighborhood Association
General Membership Meeting
April 3, 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	Present
NW 1 – Ike Harris	ABSENT
NW 2 – Amelie Marian	Present
SW 1 – Garlynn Woodsong	ABSENT
SW 2 – Ali Novak	Present
At Large 1 – Robert Bowles	ABSENT
At Large 2 – Donn Dennis	Present
At Large 3 – John McSherry	Present
At Large 4 – Sonia Fornoni	Present
At Large 6 – Matt Boyd	Present

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

See sign-in sheet.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS:

The Chair, Chris, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and a quorum was established. Attendees were asked to sign in to assert membership.

Chris introduced Adam Lyons, Executive Director of the Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods (NECN) as the election monitor in charge of CNA's 2019 Board election. Chris announced that elections would commence at 8 p.m., immediately after the guest speaker, Ms. Hardesty.

Chris also introduced Steve Elder, Board Member to formally introduce and welcome Portland City Commissioner, Jo Ann Hardesty as the guest.

GUEST SPEAKER:

Member Steve Elder introduced Portland City Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty. Ms. Hardesty provided an overview of the bureaus she oversees, which include: Portland Fire & Rescue, Portland Bureau of Emergency Management, Bureau of Emergency Communications, and the Fire & Police Disability and Retirement Fund. She indicated that one of her goals is to ensure that when someone calls 911, that the operators are trained to ask a series of questions in order to send the proper response team to the requestor (i.e., if the situation calls for a mental health response, a mental health person is dispatched instead of a police officer). Ms. Hardesty opened the floor to attendees to ask questions and offer suggestions. In closing, Ms. Hardesty said that there were three major items that community members

could do: (1) participate in the City’s budget formation; (2) support her in her effort with street responses, and (3) show up at the Portland City Hall meetings on a regular basis.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS:

Chris announced that due to a lack of quorum during the November 2018 meeting, elections could not be held and temporary members were in place. The candidate positions would need to be ratified at this meeting and elections held. Chris then introduced Adam Lyons from NECN as the election monitor. Quorum was re-established (more than 15 members who are not current Board Members).

The positions open for election were reviewed, noting that all were for two-year terms except for the Chair, which is a one-year term. Mr. Lyons explained how nominations would be called and seconds would be required at least three times for each position, followed by a brief statement (if any) by each candidate, and then voting would begin. If more than one person was nominated for a position, then a secret ballot would be used. For uncontested positions, a show of hands to indicate a majority support would be used.

The results of the election are as follows:

POSITION AND NAME	ELECTION RESULT
Chair – Nominee: Chris Lopez	Elected – Term expires November 2019
East 2 – Nominee: Steve Elder	Elected – Term expires November 2020
NW 2 – Nominee: Amelie Marian	Elected – Term expires November 2020
SW 2 – Nominee: Ali Novak	Elected – Term expires November 2020
AL 2 – Nominee: Donn Dennis	Elected – Term expires November 2020
AL 4 – Nominee: Sonia Fornoni	Elected – Term expires November 2020
AL 6 – Nominee: Matthew Boyd	Elected – Term expires November 2020

NEW ACTIONABLE ITEMS:

None.

CNA COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CNA LAND USE: The committee reported that they have not been able to meet yet and will provide a report next month.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE: Sonia Fornoni announced that the March 2019 mixer held at Jinx was a success and another one is being planned for May. Details will be announced in the CNA Newsletter. Sonia hopes to be able to have these neighborhood mixers every two months. If anyone has any ideas, please contact her directly.

MEDIA TEAM: Nancy Varekamp, Concordia News Editor, announced that the Media Team is looking for more writers and pieces. They hold a meeting on the first Tuesday of the month, in case anyone would like to attend and share ideas.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Member, John McSherry announced that the 5th Annual Concordia Neighborhood Alleyway Clean Up is on Saturday, April 13, 2019, at 9:30 a.m. Anyone willing to participate should plan on meeting at the Concordia University's Quad area located near the Library.

Member, Sonia Fornoni announced that volunteers were needed for stuffing plastic Easter eggs. Anyone who would like to volunteer should show up at the American Legion Post 234, on April 19, 2019, from 5-8:00 p.m. The CNA Annual Spring Egg Hunt will occur on Saturday, April 20, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. (sharp).

MEETING ADJOURNED.

The General Meeting was adjourned by Chris Lopez at 8:11 p.m. The next General meeting will be held on June 5 at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Astrid B. Furstner, Recording Secretary