

Concordia Neighborhood Association



Board Meeting

March 3, 2021 at 6:30 pm – 7:00 pm
Held via GoogleMeets

AGENDA

BOARD MEMBERS AND ATTENDEES

Chair – Peter Keller	At Large 1 – Robert Bowles	SW 2 – Matt Bowles
Vice Chair and SW 1 – Garlynn Woodsong	Secretary and At Large 2 – John Fitzgerald	At Large 6 – Brittany Taylor
Treasurer and East 1 – Heather Pashley	At Large 3 – John McSherry	NW 2 – Amelie Marian (absent)
East 2 – Joseph Fraley	At Large 5 – Truls Neal	At Large 4 – Sonia Fornoni (absent)
NW 1 – Ike Harris (absent)	Barbara May	Nancy Varekemp (CNews Editor)
Josh Guttmacher	Samantha Waltz	Gordon Riggs (Media Team Lead)
Michelle Fitzgerald		

Recording Secretary: Mary Maeve Barrett

6:00 p.m. Welcome & introductions

6:05 p.m. Review & approval of consent agenda

1. Agenda – March 2021 - Chair Peter Keller asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

Boyd moved to approve the agenda as written. Taylor seconded. Motion passed.

6:06 p.m. Outstanding business

1. Minutes – February 2021 Board Meeting - Chair asked for a motion to approve the minutes

Fitzgerald moved to approve the February minutes

R. Bowles seconded

Motion passed

2. CNA Community Partners - Chair asked if members would like to move to this item next month's meeting.

M. Boyd moved to postpone this item

R. Bowles seconded

Motion passed

3. Safety and Livability Committee - Chair reminded committee that Harris would be reporting back.

Taylor moved to postpone until Harris is present

M. Boyd seconded

Motion passed

4. Ad Hoc Committee regarding potential interest in a neighborhood block party.
(Postponed until April 2021 per 01/06 motion)

6:30 p.m.

New items

1. Filing annual reports. Discuss plan (Pashley/Keller)
 - a. Pashley ensured all filings have been brought up to date
 - b. CNA needs to file 2018-2020 for back tax documents
 - c. Keller suggested that CNA bring on an accountant to help with getting those filings and run QuickBooks. This may mean allocating 1500 to be spent. Robert Bowles said it may cost more but would be beneficial. Taylor suggested connecting with NECN for their recommendations. John McSherry offered to get a quote from his accountant or to connect her with Pashley directly. Fraley asked how essential the help is since the budget is infinite given that the taxes need to be filed.
 - d. Keller asked for motion to agree to the necessity of this service and look into quotes for book keeping and filing taxes. Clarification was asked for what expectations and parameters would be.

Robert Bowles moved to look into someone to do back taxes and bookkeeping

Woodsong seconded

Motion passed

2. Updated CNews guidelines - Keller asked if everyone had time to review the guidelines sent earlier.

Bowles inquired about moving the placement of CNA events (section 396). Riggs added clarity to how this guideline looks in practice. Bowles suggested that CNA events should always take priority and therefore be featured more prominently such as on the front page. Varekemp asked that he look at some previous issues where this may have been disappointing to the board as the CN appreciates such feedback. Keller offered that as this feels like a rich and broad discussion, we should move it to next month to continue the conversation.

McSherry moved that the board approve the changes as proposed.

Woodsong seconded and added that it would be prudent to put guidelines into effect and that can be revised at any time, Fraley asked how these questions for the guidelines are handled, only at board meetings or at other times? So maybe we should clarify how to handle future revisions. Woodsong suggested that it is wise to run revisions by the media team. Keller reminded that the media team can be anyone.

McSherry pulled his motion to allow people more time to process and consider the guidelines.

Fitzgerald asked if the media team could be allowed to further explain the guidelines.

*discussion postponed until April meeting

No motion was passed on this topic.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05