

**Concordia Neighborhood Association
Board Meeting MINUTES**

April 6, 2022

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BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Chair – Peter Keller	Present
Vice Chair and At Large 6: Brittany van der Salm	Present
Treasurer and East 1: Heather Pashley	Present
Secretary and East 2: Joseph Fraley	<i>Absent</i>
NW 1 – Ike Harris	<i>Absent</i>
NW 2 – Amelie Marian	<i>Absent</i>
SW 1 – Javier Puga-Phillips	Present
SW 2 – Matt Boyd	<i>Absent</i>
At Large 1 – Robert Bowles	Present
At Large 2 – John Fitzgerald	<i>Absent</i>
At Large 3 – John McSherry	<i>Absent</i>
At Large 4 – Kieran Lee	Present
At Large 5 – Benjamin Taylor	Present

Recording Secretary: Astrid Furstner

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Nancy Varekamp, C-News Editor; Gordon Riggs, Media Team Lead; Neighbors: Rob Cullivan, Matt Caldwell, Ed Burns, Daniel Joseph, Kieran Lee, Jordanna Leeb, Advertising Chair, and Leigh Shelton.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair, Peter, called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. and a quorum was established. Attendance included: 7/13 were present.

REVIEW & APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND PRIOR MINUTES

MOTION: Javier Puga-Phillips moved to approve the April 2022 Agenda of the Board meeting. Robert Bowles seconded.

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

MOTION: Robert Bowles moved to approve the March 2022 Board Minutes as corrected. Javier Puga-Phillips seconded the motion.

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

MOTION: John Fitzgerald moved to approve the March 2022 General Minutes as corrected. Heather Pashley seconded the motion.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair, Peter Keller announced that neighbor Kieran Lee is interested in the open At Large 4 position.

OLD BUSINESS

1. CNA Community Partners – postpone
2. Safety and Livability ad hoc committee – postpone
3. Ad hoc committee regarding interest in a neighborhood block party – postponed until March 2022
4. Portland Bureau of Emergency Management – postponed until we meet in person

NEW ITEMS

1. At Large 4 – Interest by Kieran Lee. Mr. Lee introduced himself and expressed interest in being appointed to the open position.

ACTION: The Chair appointed Kieran Lee to the At Large 4 Board position. There were no objections noted. The appointment was approved.

2. Advertising Rates. Discussion was held regarding the current advertising rates.

MOTION: Heather Pashley moved to raise the advertising rates 10% effective July 1, 2022. It was seconded by Javier Puga-Phillips.

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

3. Discussion was held regarding updating our contract with the Kennedy School for the community room.

ACTION: The Chair appointed an ad hoc committee to explore the contract with the Kennedy School and what the rates are. The members appointed are: Javier Puga-Phillips, Heather Pashley, Robert Bowles, and John Fitzgerald. There were no objections noted to the appointments. The appointments were approved.

4. The Chair appointed an ad hoc committee to explore the hiring of someone for the media team position. The current pay is \$200/month for approximately 20 hours per month for 8 pages and \$300/12 pages. Discussion was held to increase the pay by \$400/month for 8 pages and \$600/month for 12 pages. The members appointed to the ad hoc committee are: Gordon Riggs, Heather Pashley, and John McSherry. There were no objections noted to the Chair's appointments.

MOTION: Brittany van der Salm moved to increase the pay for the media team position from \$200 to \$400/month for 8 pages and \$300 to \$600/month for 12 pages.

Javier Puga-Phillips seconded the motion.

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

5. Ad Salesperson. Discussion was held regarding adding another .
MOTION: Heather Pashley moved to advertise the position for a second Advertising Salesperson at a straight commission pay rate.
MOTION PASSED by majority vote; 0 abstained; 0 opposed.
6. Request for Endorsements: Jenny Holmes from Cascadia Action sent the
ACTION: The Chair announced that discussion on this topic was postponed until May 2022.
7. June General Meeting. Discussion was held regarding potentially inviting City of Portland election candidates to introduce themselves to the community. It was decided that as long as all candidates were provided equal opportunity to attend, the invitation would be given for the June general meeting.
ACTION: Ben Taylor and Peter Keller will invite City candidates to the June general meeting for them to present to the neighborhood. Followed by a Question and Answer period.
8. Meeting in Person. Discussion was held regarding returning to in-person meetings. Discussion was held regarding vaccination proof. The general consensus was that vaccines are required to attend in person.

MOTION: Javier Puga-Phillips moved to have any guests who attend any events held in-person and hosted by CNA in the community room to be vaccinated. Any person without a vaccine, must provide a 24-hour proof of negative test. The motion was seconded by John Fitzgerald.
MOTION PASSED by majority vote; 0 abstained; 0 opposed

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair announced that he received a letter from a neighbor regarding the houseless issue. It was decided to forward the letter to Dan Ryan's office for further assistance.

ACTION: The Chair will forward the letter to Dan Ryan's office.

CNA COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee: The treasurer reported that she still needs to file 2018 and 2019 and will be done before the May 2022 meeting. She will work on the 2022 taxes which are due in May. The balance on hand is \$27,000.

Land Use Transportation Committee (LUTC). Committee Chair Benjamin Taylor reported that Jefferson High School is looking for advocates to participate in their steering committee. The school is beginning the design process and will select an architect soon. If anyone is interested in becoming a member of the committee, please contact Ben Taylor.

Ben reported that Dekum Court gave a presentation as to the current status of their redevelopment. Dekum Court is being developed to over 100 units for low income families. They learned that five lots on the South East corner in perpetuity to have a playground. They have to go before the City Council to modify the requirement.

Media. Gordon Riggs held a discussion regarding when the Board would like to move back to 12 pages. By general consensus, this topic was postponed to the next board meeting.

Social Committee. Javier Puga-Phillips reported that Jinx Restaurant requested approval from the Concordia Neighborhood Association in order to install a color mural on their building. Jinx requested a copy of the approved minutes .

MOTION: Robert Bowles moved to approve the mural for Jinx as presented. The motion was seconded by Ben Taylor.

MOTION PASSED by majority vote; 0 abstained; 0 opposed

Javier also reported that the Spring 2022 Egg Hunt is confirmed and would like to use the Kennedy McMennamins Community Room for April 15 at 1pm to stuff eggs. April 16 at 7:45 a.m. at Fernhill Park for the purpose of hiding the Easter eggs and preparing for the event.

Javier reported that he was approached by the Black United Fund regarding the last Thursday to help lead it. Discussion was held and it was decided that CNA cannot take the lead, but can assist where possible.

Javier reported we are currently have 200+ followers on Instagram.

Javier reported that the trash pick-up team has picked up over 9,000 lbs. of trash from around the neighborhood. There will be another clean up scheduled in June.

The Board Meeting was adjourned by general consent by Peter Keller at 9:04 p.m. The next Board meeting will be held on May 6, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Astrid B. Furstner

Astrid B. Furstner, Recording Secretary