

PPA Board of Directors

Regular Meeting (Virtual): February 28, 2022 6:30pm

Board Members Present: David Frank, Lynn Von Korff, John Wicks, Laura Preus, Jeff Barnhart, Eric Amel, Mary Britton, Brit Howell, Jerry Stein, Susan Larson-Fleming, Reed Coffin

Board Members Absent: Amy Kaminsky, Jenna Hoge, Ben Tuthill, Joe Ring, Simone Hendrix, Evan Roberts

Community Members Present: Vera Marshall, Lupe Castillo, Aloida Zargoza, Michael Provence, Lydia McAnerny

Staff Present: Liza Davitch

1. **Call to Order.** *Eric Amel,* PPA President, called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm and reviewed the agenda with the attendees. *Susan Larson Fleming* moves to approve the agenda. *David Frank* seconds. A quorum for the Regular Community Meeting was established.

2. Organizational Business

Environment Committee Report. *Mary Britton*, Environment Committee chair, announces that the Earth Day Cleanup event will be held from April 9-23. They are looking for volunteers on April 9th to distribute supplies such as gloves and bags.

The committee distributed the board approved Welcome Letter to more than thirty large apartment complexes in Prospect Park. Members of the committee met with the building's facility and rental managers first and then emailed the letter to them. Most all responded positively and some said they would share the letter with new tenants and existing tenants as well. They had the letter translated to Somali for Somali speaking residents in one of the apartment buildings that requested it and to Glendale residents. They also dropped off the letter at new businesses.

The Welcome Letter in English can be found here:

https://mcusercontent.com/8a12b3152d8f70e97e090b501/files/4ff568fb-a6d4-ff49-1e61-7a6594b4baed/PPA Welcome Letter with Signatures.pdf

In Somali here:

https://mcusercontent.com/8a12b3152d8f70e97e090b501/files/95d8a608-1ca4-d216-f889-16a21402e6fa/Welcome letter with signatures Somali.pdf

Transportation and Safety Report. *Eric Amiel* speaks for the Transportation and Safety Committee in *Evan Roberts* absence.

Priority issues for the upcoming year will be pedestrian safety and speeding, winter sidewalk shoveling, engagement and city planning around 194 and crime.

The committee will be involved with the two mile challenge which commits to walking or biking.

Community member, *Lupe Castillo*, brings up concerns of cars stopping on the corner of 4th St and University Ave and causing disarray in traffic. Heavy, dense traffic hinders snow plows and delivery trucks from getting through. She would like PPA's support to address it through proper channels.

Community member, *Aloida Zaragoza*, brought up concerns that Hubbard Broadcasting built a fence on their property and didn't notify the public in advance. She asks how an association tracks information historically so it can be of value in the future. *Eric Amel* notes that this is a City Council proceeding and should be on council record. PPA's records have now been preserved and archived at the public library. PPA's past minutes are archived on the PPA website.

Community Building Committee Report. Susan Larson-Fleming, Community Building co-chair reports that the committee is working on the 70th anniversary of Glendale activities slated for September 12-18, 2022. If anyone has old photographs of Glendale please contact Susan.

The committee has been meeting with the architectural firm for the Jackson Project on plans for the playground and memorial. At the last meeting they were joined by the daughters of Helen Jackson who are involved and excited about the project.

Land Use Committee Report. *John Wicks,* Land Use chair, announced that Gretchen Camp, of ESG, the design firm working on the development at 2630 University Avenue SE, informed the committee that the project had been submitted to the City for plan review and will be on the March 7 hearing agenda. The details of the hearing will be published in the March 1 PPA newsletter.

Finance and Admin Committee Report. Susan Larson-Fleming presented the Finance and Admin report.

Proposed Motion: PPA approves *Lynn Von Korff* as the chair of the Finance and Admin committee. *Eric Amel* approves the motion. *Britt Howell* seconds the motion. All in favor.

Proposed Motion: Approve "Preliminary Board Fundraising Plan," included in board packet as part of Finance & Admin Committee minutes. All in favor. *Mary Britton* abstains.

Proposed Motion: Use PPA's Equitable Engagement grant funds to create an electronic neighborhood welcome packet, similar to SECIA's, as described in PPA's approved Equitable Engagement Plan. All in favor. *Mary Britton* abstains.

If there's any remaining Equitable Engagement funds, NCR encourages PPA to use them on the Board Elections in May. They have approved the Equitable Engagement funds to be used on the welcome packet.

PPA will receive \$3,229 in Equitable Engagement funds in 2022. When the board approved the annual budget in January 2022 there was the issue of funds for staff time. We tentatively budgeted for staff at 20 hours per week until June of 2022, then reduced to 16 hours for the remainder of the year. NCR is supportive of using our Equitable Engagement funds for creating an electronic welcome packet. PPA can use the 104 hours (the difference between the 20 to 16 hours from July to December) to have staff work on creating the neighborhood welcome packet. Lynn is updating a draft of the Equitable Engagement plan with committee feedback that further identifies demographic groups to s to distribute among our communication avenues.

4. Other Business

A. May Election Nominating Committee. Board Member, *David Frank*, introduces the motion regarding PPA's annual meeting. Information about voting and a call for board candidates will be published in upcoming PPA newsletters. The annual meeting will be an opportunity for board candidates to introduce themselves and allow for write-in candidates from the floor. Voting for PPA candidates will be open from May 9 through May 16. The May 9th annual meeting will replace the May board/committee meeting usually held on the fourth Monday of the month. As it stands, the annual meeting will be held virtually via zoom. If we decided to have an in person meeting we would have to give notice to PPUMC for facility use and plan how to allow for in-person voting as well as online voting. NCR will help publicize the election as part of the Neighborhoods 2020 plan.

Proposed Motion: PPA's annual meeting will be held on Monday, May 9, 2022. *Lynn Von Korff* seconds the motion. All in favor. Motion passes.

B. Review Consent Agenda: Reports & Minutes

Eric Amel moves to approve the following minutes: Board/Community Meeting: January 24, 2022, Community Building: January 6, 2022, Transportation and Safety: January 12, 2022, Finance & Admin: January 27, 2022. All in favor. The minutes are approved as distributed.

6. Adjourn. Eric Amel motions to adjourn the meeting at 7:42pm. Lynn Von Korff seconds. Motion was unanimously approved on a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes written by Liza Davitch, PPA Staff

Respectfully submitted by David Frank, PPA Board Member and Secretary