



Executive Committee Discussion- No Quorum  
February 8, 2016  
PPA Office  
6:30pm

Attendees: Christina Larson (President), Richard Adams (Vice President), Tamara Johnson (Treasurer), John Wicks (Zoning and Project Review Chair), Jessica Buchberger (staff), Vince Netz (Bylaws Task Force), Susan Larson-Fleming (Historic District Committee), Joe Ring (Historic District Chair)

Absent: Dick Poppele (Immediate Past President), Eric Amel (Secretary), John Cushing (MemComm Chair), Ladan Yusuf (Glendale Committee Chair)

1. Christina welcomed the committee and asked everyone to sign in. She then reviewed the Consent Agenda, which included the January Exec Minutes, the February Admin Report and the November MemComm report. This Consent Agenda was passed unanimously.
2. Christina then reviewed the regular meeting agenda. Additions proposed: Glendale Committee's response to the letter from the MPHA Board of Commissioners; a Nominations Committee update; a request from "Save Our Minneapolis Parks" campaign; a letter from the U of M to the City of Minneapolis regarding the Minneapolis Comprehensive Plan. Richard Adams moved to approve the amended regular agenda, this was seconded and approved unanimously.
3. Richard Adams and Vince Netz gave an update about the proposed bylaws changes. They have received a lot of feedback in the Listening Sessions and via email. The two main concerns that have come up are that everyone who shows up to a committee meeting is eligible to vote--it creates logistical dilemmas and other potential issues. The task force will ask Michelle Chavez from the Neighborhood Community Relations Department for clarification. A point of clarification is that those eligible to vote are PPA members and eligible members. The Task Force will continue to work to get more feedback on the bylaws. Richard Adams moved that the Annual Meeting be moved from April 2016 to September 2016 for the purposes of being given adequate time to review the draft bylaws; the current Officers and Directors who are up for re-election to continue their service until September. This motion would require a super-majority vote of  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the Board, which is 27 people. The committee discussed other options for how to handle a change. Tamara seconded the

motion. Three voted in favor and one abstained, forwarding the motion to the Board of Directors.

4. Tamara motioned to amend the agenda for Vince to review the Conflict of Interest Policy before the Code of Ethics. This was seconded and approved unanimously. Vince presented the latest version. Richard motioned to forward this to the Board, which was seconded and approved with three votes in its favor and one abstention.
5. Vince reviewed the Code of Ethics draft, which has taken feedback into account. Vince reviewed some of that feedback with the committee. The committee responded to the document and pointed out unclear statements and grammatical errors. Vince then presented additional information that will be added. Richard motioned to forward the amended Code of Ethics to the Board of Directors. This was seconded and approved with three votes in its favor and one abstention.
6. Eric wrote a letter to the other organizations that utilize office space. Richard motioned to amend one sentence, which was seconded and approved with three votes in its favor and one abstention.
7. Richard moved to table the Glendale Committee's feedback on the letter from the MPHA Board of Commissioners to the March Executive Committee meeting. This was seconded and approved with three votes in its favor and one abstention.
8. Richard moved to table the Nominations Committee update to the March Executive Committee meeting. This was seconded and approved with three votes in its favor and one abstention.
9. Susan Larson-Fleming presented a motion from the newly re-established Historic District Committee.
  - a. PPA Historic District committee, PPA Glendale, & Defend Glendale pursue their individual missions and also work in complementary ways to craft strategy to become proactive rather than reactive and reach out to all residents of Prospect Park, and create a unified Prospect Park Association platform for advocating to preserve Glendale per the PPA resolution passed in 2015.
  - b. The starting point for this would be to move forward with all speed on the proposal for a Glendale Historic District. This action would place MPHA in the position of dealing with the city regulatory services, and could place a hold on any planning for up to 18 months. This action, if approved by HPC, would put into place design criteria and a maintenance agreement.
  - c. The three entities should come together to set up a strategy for the public hearings in March, in which we are to demonstrate we are not a small

fringe group. To have two PPA committees and a Glendale Resident group come together with common strategies would be very powerful.

- d. All 3 committees, PPA Glendale, PPA Historic District, and Defend Glendale must agree before action is taken.

The committee voted to strike Defend Glendale from the motion, since they are not a PPA entity and PPA has no standing over its decisions. The committee then reviewed the motion and the reception this will have in Glendale by the residents and the PPA Glendale Committee, since it does not currently have the resident's support. This led to the striking of point "b." The committee discussed point "c" and simplified it to "The two committees will come together to set up a strategy for the public hearing in March." Point "d" would change "3" to "2." These amendments were seconded and approved with three votes in its favor and one abstention. Richard moved that this motion as amended go forward to the Board. This was seconded and approved with three votes in its favor and one abstention.

10. Richard moved to table the discussion about the Annual Meeting Task Force. his was seconded and approved with three votes in its favor and one abstention.

11. Richard moved to table the discussion about the volunteers for the Annual Meeting Task Force. his was seconded and approved with three votes in its favor and one abstention.

12. Richard motioned to send Jessica to the Absent Narratives Workshop given by the Minnesota Humanities Center, and that anyone else who would like to go would have to pay for their own admission fee. Jessica will make a report to the Executive Committee. This was seconded and approved unanimously.

13. Tony Sterle of the "Save our Minneapolis Parks" campaign would like to present the campaign to the community. The committee agreed to invite him to February or March's community meeting.

14. The U of M sent a letter in response to the Minneapolis Comprehensive Plan, and cc'd PPA. Christina read this letter aloud to the committee. The letter details the need for more safety measures be accounted in an increase in population density in Minneapolis. John Wicks proposed a resolution that would support the need for increased police presence. He volunteered to bring the letter to the Zoning and Project Review for further review. This was seconded and approved by three, one abstained.

15. The committee reviewed the Community and Board agendas, including old business tabled from the January 25 board meeting.

16. Richard moved to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded and unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:51pm.