

May 11, 2015
Richmond Neighborhood Association meeting
Minutes recorded by Bonnie Bray

The meeting was called to order by Allen Field at 7:00 pm.

Board members present: Allen Field, Doug Klotz, Denise Hare, Kari Schlosshauer, Jonathan King, Brendon Haggerty, Cyd Manro, Greg Petras, Bonnie Bray, Jordan Lanz, Megan Light, Heather Flint Chatto (was present only for Neighborhood Notification presentation and vote).

Board members absent: Callie Jones, Karin Maczko, Elisabeth Varga, Chris Flint Chatto, Sean Barnett,

Others present: Liz Potter, Joyce Felton, Debby Hochalter, Rod and Margaret Rommel, Carol Weston, Robert McCullough, Bob Kellett, Bob Stacey, Jim Quackenbush, Courtney Graham, James Weston, Amy Thomas, Cindi Carrell, Jeff Ramsay, Kay Coryell, Dave Coryell, Irene Wong, Radcliff Dacaney

April Board Minutes: A motion to accept the minutes was made by Jordan, and seconded by Jonathan. All members voted yes except Bonnie and Kari who abstained.

Richmond School parent Amy Thomas announced coming changes to Richmond. The field will be leveled graded, reseeded, and a walking path will be installed. A temporary fence will be installed around the reseeded area. Most of the money for this project has been raised, but they are looking for additional donors.

Local mural artist Gary Hirsch returned to report on his effort to contact Bent Images building owner for alternative site for mural. After 3 attempts, did not hear back, so will proceed with his original plan to paint a mural on the east wall of a D Street Village building at 3020 SE Division as part of his Portland Stories mural project. He will apply a graffiti resistant coating over the mural.

Heather Flint-Chatto presented the draft recommendations of the Division Design Initiative about the Proposed Neighborhood Notification Requirements (PNNR). She stated that this proposal was intended to be a starting place and its goal was to empower the community. There was a discussion about the current requirements and whether those requirements applied to existing buildings as well as to new construction.

Denise moved, seconded by Allen, to recommend the PNNR to the city for city-wide application, but with 25 hard copy requirement of plans when developers present to NAs. **Board member vote was unanimous.** Kari

suggested crafting Notification Requirements specific for Richmond, which Heather will work on.

Officer Jim Quakenbush of the Portland Police Bureau explained the Hawthorne Blvd Foot Patrol concept and addressed neighbors' concerns about safety at Sewallcrest Park; an influx of homeless people last summer caused concern among park users and neighbors. He answered questions from the audience about the role of the police and encouraged people to call 911 if they see any crimes in progress, or the non-emergency police number with general concerns.

Courtney Graham of the Better Oregon Coalition presented a proposal for a 2016 ballot measure to raise the Oregon corporate minimum tax rate, currently the lowest in the nation. The ballot measure is designed to target large out of state corporations. Any increase in revenue would directly benefit Oregon citizens by increasing revenue for education and social service programs.

Joyce Felton and Radcliff Dacaney presented the proposed Powell-Division Transit and Development Project. Felton explained Metro's role in the project and Dacaney, City of Portland, described the project to date and how it will move forward. The overall plan for the project will be available for review on June 1, 2015.

Robert McCullough, SE Uplift Board Chair, explained the role of SE Uplift (SEUL), and how it acts as a support to the 95 neighborhoods it represents. He fielded questions from the audience and reminded the RNA that it has no representative on the SEUL Board.

The next RNA meeting will be Monday June 8, 7-9pm at the Waverly Heights Church. **Allen moved, seconded by Jordan**, that the Annual meeting be moved from May to June, when board elections will occur. **Board member vote was unanimous.**

Treasurer report: RNA balance of all accounts as of May 11, 2015: \$15,236.04.

Meeting adjourned at 9:18 pm.