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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 7, 2024 | 7:00 - 9:00 pm | Via Zoom

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/92334943945> | Meeting ID: 923 3494 3945

ATTENDANCE

Board Members present:

- Brentwood-Darlington NA – Kimberly DiLeo
- Brooklyn Action Corps - LC Hansen
- Buckman Community Association – Scotty Robinson
- Creston-Kenilworth NA - Rachel Davies
- Hosford-Abernathy Neighborhood District (HAND) – Bruce Bikle
- Kerns NA – Dave Weaver (Past President)
- Madison South NA - Ruth Hander
- Montavilla NA – Sarah Hartzel
- Mt. Scott-Arleta NA – Daniel Portis-Cathers
- North Tabor NA - Andrea Lehman
- Roseway NA - Ash Hester (President)
- Rose City Park NA - Don Levine
- South Tabor NA - Toby Morus
- Sunnyside NA – Chris Waldmann
- Woodstock NA – Anna Weichsel
- 82nd Ave of Roses BA – Nancy Chapin
- Inner SE Action – Kat West (Vice President)
- Black + Beyond the Binary Collective – Mireaya Medina
- At Large – Sharon Wynde

Board Members absent:

Board Members sending regrets:

- Foster-Powell NA – Melissa Warren
- Laurelhurst NA – David Tunley
- At Large – Doug Waugh (Treasurer)
- At Large - Kimberly Bandy (Secretary)

Staff present:

- Nanci Champlin (Executive Director)

Guests:

- Lisa Sloan (Board Administrator)
- Allen Field (Richmond NA)
- Sharon Keats (City of Portland, Bureau of Civic Life)

BOARD DISCUSSION MEETING

7:00 The board discussion meeting was called to order.

Call Meeting to Order - Ash Hester, President

- SE Uplift's mission statement and community agreements pertaining to behavior during board meetings were shared.
- Announcements were posted by board members in the chat.
- Updated mission statement to be more neighborhood inclusive: We collaborate with the SE Portland community to build informed, inclusive, and participatory neighborhoods that support our social and ecological well-being.
- Recording policy was announced.

7:10 Executive Director Update - Nanci Champlin

- Accomplishments + Sneak Peak
 - Educated 550+ people on the government transition and rank choice voting
 - The Oregonian article coming out Wednesday
 - Hosted successful Open House and District 3 Candidate Mixer
 - President Roundtables coming
- October Events!
 - Government Transition and Rank Choice Voting - October 6 (in person) and 10 (via Zoom)
 - District 3 City Council Candidate Forum on Housing and Houselessness - October 11
- 2025 Communication Funds - Applications open
 - \$500 for Neighborhood Association Outreach + Communications
 - To apply, gather 2024 receipts.
 - Hold a board vote on how your NA will spend its 2025 funds.
 - Apply by December 15th at <https://seuplift.org/communication-funds-form/>
- Grant Review Committee
 - Small Community Grants applications are open
 - Over \$50k to award
 - Grants for up to \$3k each
 - Projects must be located in and/or serve District 3
 - Grant Applications Workshops - Weds, Oct. 9, 7-8:30pm and Sun, Oct 20, 7-8:30 pm
 - Seeking grant review committee members
- The Board of Directors approves the following updates to authorized bank account signers:
 - Onpoint Community Credit Union
 - Remove: Nancy Chapin, Tina Kimmey
 - Add: Ash Hester
 - Keep: Nanci Champlin
 - Advantis Credit Union
 - Remove: Dave Weaver, Pheobe Gildea
 - Add: Ash Hester, Matchu Williams
 - Keep: Nanci Champlin

7:25 Board Roundtable Discussion: Holding a District 3 Stakeholders Summit

Discussed a framework for SEUL to convene a district wide summit where stakeholders from throughout the coalition to come together to:

- Align priorities

- Identify City Council actions to improve the district for everyone

Purpose

- To help the incoming City Council effectively and equitably advocate for community needs in city policy, budget and programs.

Outcomes

- A set of districtwide priorities co-created by district stakeholders and informed by community engagement.

Process

- Board and committees identify key topic areas
- Survey district stakeholders
- Districtwide in person summit
- Presentation to District 3 Councilors
- Community Advocacy through committees

Key Topic Areas

- Identified extensive list that is being consolidated into a living document to be used for the next steps in the process

8:15 Committee Reports – Committee Chairs

- Executive Committee - no report; did not meet last month
- IDEA – Daniel Portis Cathers, Mt. Scott-Arleta NA
 - Workshop postponed until February
 - Interest in antiracism training is waning but still very important
- Climate Justice Action Committee, Nanci Champlin, Executive Director
 - Co Hosted forum with 350PDX
 - 6 candidates attended
- Houselessness Action Committee, Nanci Champlin, Executive Director
 - Forum this Friday
 - Three rounds of candidates all asked and answering all of the questions
- Land Use + Transportation – Nanci Champlin, Executive Director
 - The Land Use & Transportation Committee at SE Uplift and representatives from the Interstate Bridge Replacement (I5BR) Program team have been invited to discuss the project including the new, modern bridge between Oregon and Washington.
 - The Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) is available for review and comment through November 18th.
 - The public comment period required by the NEPA (National Environmental Policy Act) federal act is open and this is the last opportunity to provide feedback before the Final SEIS and Record of Decision are published next year.
 - Neighborhoods and anyone interested in sharing concerns or hopes about the project can attend to learn more.
 - The meeting includes a presentation from the I5BR team with time for questions, followed by a testimony writing workshop with materials from our partners at the Just Crossing Alliance.
 - Not sure where to begin or intimidated by testimony? This workshop is for you and will help build your capacity to provide input.
 - The meeting will be held online via Zoom. Information will be published to the Land Use & Transportation Bulletin and on the committee website (seuplift.org/land-use) Discover & Create Your Neighborhood at the SE Uplift Land Use & Transportation Committee.

- October 21st at 7:00 p.m.
- Finance – Sharon Wynde, Finance Committee
 - Shared August Balance Sheet and discussed elements reflected in it
 - Recommended updates to Financial Reserve Policy
 - As per the policy, it must be updated every three years, and we are at this point.
 - Remove the definitions section in the beginning.
 - Financial Policy will be addressed separately.
 - Streamline the policy by omitting redundant references to financial policy matters that are already covered in our Financial Policy.
 - Remove the "Background" section as this context is now very outdated.
 - Lower the amount of the Building Reserves to \$50k to reflect significant recent investments in the Main Street headquarters.

8:35 The board discussion meeting adjourned.

BOARD BUSINESS MEETING

8:36 The board business meeting was called to order. – Ann Hester, President

8:36 Vote to adopt the updated financial reserve policy as recommended by the Executive Committee.

Motion (*Rachel*) To adopt the updated financial reserve policy as recommended by the Executive Committee.

Amended ()

Seconded (*Chris*)

In favor 19

Opposed 0

Abstentions 0

Result: The motion passed.

8:37 Vote to approve the bank signature changes.

Motion (*LC*) To approve the bank signature changes.

Amended ()

Seconded(*Sharon*)

In favor 19

Opposed 0

Abstentions 0

Result: The motion passed.

8:43 Vote to approve the September board meeting minutes.

Motion (*Kat*) To approve the September board meeting minutes.

Amended ()

Seconded (*Sarah*)

In favor 16

Opposed 0

Abstentions 3

Result: The motion passed.

8:40 The meeting adjourned. – Ann Hester, President

Next Board Meeting: Monday, November 4, 7 – 9 PM via Zoom

Minutes Approved (Date) Kim Bandy

Secretary Signature 11/6/2024

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