

JUNE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Monday, June 1 | 7 – 9pm

In-person: 3534 SE Main Street

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This meeting is for the Board of Directors to conduct organizational business. As such, only board members actively participate in discussions unless otherwise noted in the agenda or at the discretion of the President. Guests are welcome to observe.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members present:

- Brentwood-Darlington NA – Kimberly DiLeo
- Brooklyn Action Committee - Debbie Dicks
- Buckman - Daniel Te
- Foster-Powell NA – Lori Day-Reynolds
- Hosford-Abernathy Neighborhood District (HAND) – Peggy McDaniel
- Kerns NA – Elizabeth Armstrong
- Madison South - Travis Saner-Hathaway
- Montavilla – Adam Fiss
- Mt. Scott-Arleta NA – Daniel Portis-Cathers
- North Tabor NA - Austin Davis
- Roseway NA - Ash Hester (President)
- Sunnyside NA – Chris Waldmann
- 82nd Ave BA – Nancy Chapin
- At Large – Sharon Wynde
- At Large - Chris Hansen
- At Large: Rachel Davies (Secretary)
- At Large: Matt Lembo (Vice President)

Board Members absent:

- Black + Beyond the Binary Collective – Mireaya Medina

Board Members sending regrets:

- Laurelhurst - Steven Fisher
- Rose City Park NA – Don Levine

Staff present:

- Nanci Champlin (Executive Director)
- Diane Odeh (Fiscal Sponsorships Manager)
- Sarah Bunker (Grantmaking Manager)

Guests:

- Allen Field (Richmond NA)
- Joseph Emerson (intern)
- Lori Day-Reynolds (CKNA)-- then seated
- Joel Spector (CKNA)
- Kamila Heath (CKNA)
- Max Campos (CKNA)
- Tom Sollet

BOARD DISCUSSION MEETING

7:06 Call Meeting to Order - Ash Hester, President

- Welcome, Announcements, and Agenda Overview
 - Ash thanked outgoing board members and provided updates:
 - Amit Zinman steps down to focus his time on projects
 - Daniel Te steps down due to moving out of the geographic range of SE Uplift's operations ■
 - Ryan Sooley from Foster-Powell NA is stepping down and we will seat Lori Day-Reynolds

Vote to Seat Lori Day Reynolds as the representative for the Foster-Powell NA

Motion (Ash)

Amended (n/a)

Seconded (Elizabeth Armstrong)

In favor 16

Opposed 0

Abstentions 0

Result: The motion passed.

7:17 Executive Director Updates – Nanci Champlin, ED

- Nanci reviewed upcoming events hosted by SE Uplift: June 8 training for new NA board members via Zoom,, and June 26 personal safety workshop at SEUL. Register at seuplift.org/events.
- Volunteers needed for Council Policy Committee Tracking Team for the following committees: Community and Public Safety; Housing and Permitting; Public Works; City Life (Parks, Arts, Climate)
- Summer save-the-dates:
 - June 29 - July 3: SE Uplift office closed
 - No July board meeting
 - August 3: Board meeting and start of FY 26–27
 - August 27: New Board Member orientation and Ice Cream Social for Board members and staff
 - September 8: Board meeting and officer elections (on a Tuesday due to Labor Day).
- Recommendation to add quorum language to our committee charters: SE Uplift's Committee charters currently lack a definition of "Quorum." Nanci recommends to provide clarity that any vote of the committee to make a recommendation to the board requires a yes by a majority of voting members in attendance. Adding this section does not change current committee operations or vote counting, it just makes the implicit explicit.

7:29 Committee Updates

- **7:29 Land Use + Transportation Committee – Matchu Williams, Chair**
 - Next meeting: Monday, June 14th, 7-9pm
 - Matchu shared a list of priority projects. The committee will seek input from the neighborhoods to be included in the committee's recommendations. The recommendations will be for the city's development projects over the upcoming 20 years.
 - Zoning updates: zoning designations will be updated to match current uses. Updates will be released this week, and there is a brief window of time to review and provide input before it's sent to city council for approval.
 - 2026 tree code update is happening this year which delineates who can care for the urban canopy. The committee has requested more information from the City about these decisions.
 - The LUTC charter will be updated and will request confirmation from the board on recommended changes at our next meeting.
- **7:34 Climate Justice Committee – Nanci Champlin**
 - SE Uplift has been awarded a contract with the City's Urban Forestry department as a Yard tree Giveaway

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Program Registration Partner again. This project will convene eight District 3 Neighborhood Associations via the Climate Justice Action Committee to register neighbors for a free yard tree at their summer events, replicating the success of last year's project. Each neighborhood that participates has been identified by the city as a priority 1 or 2 neighborhood in need of increased tree canopy and they will receive \$1,000 for their efforts.

- **7:36 Community Care + Safety Taskforce** – *Chris Hansen and Daniel Te, Co-chairs*

- Daniel Te is moving out of the country and stepping down from SE Uplift. Travis Saner-Hathaway from Madison South NA volunteered to take his place as co-chair of the committee.
- June 26: Rose City Defense will offer a personal self-defense seminar. There must be a minimum of 10 participants.

- **Finance Committee** – *Sharon Wynde, Finance Committee*

- The balance sheet was reviewed.
- Tabor Commons sale update: a few groups have viewed the property but there are no serious prospects for purchasers yet.

- **Executive Committee** – *Ash*

- Updates are provided via minutes and were not discussed in the meeting.

7:49 Program Evaluation Plan Update – *Joseph Emerson, intern*

- Joseph is using an Impact or Summative Outcomes Program Evaluation over a 10-week period of time.
- Joseph reviewed his Proposed Logic Model, theory of change, desired outcomes, and remaining elements that still have to be completed. The final deliverable will be recommendations for ways to measure program accomplishments and a framework for the staff to use to conduct a program evaluation.

8:14 Community Small Grants Program Update – *Sarah Bunger*

- Sarah invited feedback from the board about the project eligibility criteria and if it still aligns with our mission and vision.
- Proposed projects must be in alignment with at least of the project criteria.
- The eligibility criteria originated with Civic Life so we cannot stray too far
- No major changes were suggested to the criteria.
- The program will open again for applications in September.

8:37 Neighborhood Program and ONI Standards Updates – *Nanci Champlin*

- Nanci reviewed the draft 10-month timeline and workplan proposal for the work that an ONI Standards “Review Committee” would undertake. This was provided to Chief Engagement Officer Amanda Garcia Snell when she finally agreed to reconsider her refusal to establish the Review Committee that is called for in the Standards themselves and outlines the constituency of the committee. The proposed process would create more opportunities for community input on an update to the Standards, which are the rules governing neighborhood associations, district coalitions, business district associations and Civic Life.
- Amanda Garcia Snell was placed on administrative leave and Chief Communications Officer, Laura Oppenheimer, is stepping in to fill the gap.
- Laura’s short-term priorities include meeting with the Executive Directors of all district coalitions next week; ensuring that the City pays overdue coalition invoices; executing the district coalition FY 26-27 contract amendments; and bringing in a staff person to manage the program for the next year.
- In the long-term, our priorities must include strengthening code 3.96; securing the review committee for updates to the ONI standards; and sharing a vision for the future of the program and demonstrating our impact.
- The executive directors and board leadership of all four District Coalitions will reconvene on June 18.

8:58 The Board Discussion Meeting adjourned.

BOARD BUSINESS MEETING

8:58 The board business meeting was called to order. – Ash Hester, President

Vote to Add Clarifying Language About Quorum to Advisory Committee Charters:

“Quorum: This committee is advisory to the board. As such it does not have executive authority to make decisions on behalf of SE Uplift. Any recommendation to the Board of Directors from this committee must have support from a majority of the voting members in attendance. Any committee member whose organization has prohibited them from taking a position on a topic shall recuse themselves from the vote.”

Motion (Ash)

Amended (n/a)

Seconded (Austin)

In favor 16

Opposed 0

Abstentions 1

Result: The motion passed.

Vote to Amend the April Board Meeting Minutes to show that Dresden sent regrets, and Approve the May Board Meeting Minutes

Motion (Ash)

Amended (n/a)

Seconded (Chris)

In favor 14

Opposed 0

Abstentions 3

Result: The motion passed.

Vote to accept April balance sheet as Presented

Motion (Ash)

Amended (n/a)

Seconded (Sharon)

In favor 17

Opposed 0

Abstentions 0

Result: The motion passed.

9:03 The meeting adjourned – Ash Hester, President

Next Board Meeting Monday, August, 3, 7-9pm.

Minutes Approved (Date) 8/4/2026

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