

NORTHWEST NEIGHBORHOOD CULTURAL CENTER BOARD MEETING

Approved Minutes of March 13, 2017

Directors Present: Elizabeth Aaby, Gordon Allen, Dan Anderson, Ginger Burke, Don Genasci, Alisha Hanks, Bill Harris, Roger Jennings, Dan Volkmer, Bill Welch, and George Wright

I. Call to Order

Elizabeth called the meeting to order at 6:19 PM

II. Board Introductions

Each member of the board introduced him/herself to the parties present stating their name and the neighborhood represented.

III. Public Comment

Carolyn Sheldon introduced herself as Director of the NW Children's Theater, stating she supports transparency in this process including making the term sheet public. She provided the attached Waterleaf Architecture, Interiors & Planning memorandum dated March 13, 2017.

IV. Election of Officers

Motion: Dan Volkmer proposed the following slate:

President: Elizabeth Aaby
VP: Alisha Hanks
Secretary: Ginger Burke
Treasurer: Roger Jennings

Second: George Wright

Dan Anderson proposed discussion and amendment of the slate to include a newly-elected board member. Discussion ensued.

Motion: Bill Welch nominated Gordon Allen as VP.

Second: Bill Harris seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion failed 5-6.

Discussion re:slate as originally proposed.

Vote (on original slate): Motion passed 6-5.

V. Treasurer's Report

Roger Jennings presented the Treasurer's Report dated March 1, 2017. NNCC currently has total resources valued at \$142,784.

Motion: George Wright moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Second: Ginger Burke seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

VI. Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the January 9, 2017 meeting were presented.

Motion: Bill Welch moved to accept as proposed.

Second: Alisha Hanks seconded.

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes from the February 2, 2017 meeting were presented. Discussion re: why board counsel Steve Janik was not present at the annual meeting.

Motion: Bill Welch moved to accept as proposed.

Second: Bill Harris seconded.

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

VII. Website

Alisha Hanks reported we are still behind on updating the new website. We need new board members' biographies at 250 words each written in the third person and emailed to Alisha. A calendar is in the works. Discussion about format of calendar (list of dates vs. month-at-a-glance format). We've hired a third party contractor to maintain the website in an ongoing manner. Discussion re: the online membership application, request for membership list, posting of meeting minutes.

Bill Harris suggested we need an assistant to the Secretary to monitor online requests and email communication. Bill Harris nominated himself to fill this position. Discussion about further definition of the role. Dan Anderson reiterated his 8 suggestions for NNCC email previously referenced in an email dated 3/7/2017.

Motion: Dan Anderson moved to add background materials related to building safety issues to the website (w/supplementary explanatory information).

Second: Gordy Allen seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion failed 5-6.

Dan Anderson volunteered to serve on the Website Committee noting the need to have a newly-elected member on the committee.

Motion: George Wright nominated Dan Anderson to serve on the Website Committee.

Second: Alisha seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Term Sheet

Elizabeth Aaby announced that the term sheet will not be discussed tonight or in advance of the next meeting, stating that the decision was made on advice of counsel. Newly-elected members requested a copy of the term sheet.

Motion: Gordon Allen moved to provide new board members with a copy of the term sheet without restriction re:distribution .

Second: Don Genasci seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion failed 4-7.

Motion: Bill Welch moves to share the term sheet with the new board members with the restriction that it not be distributed to anyone not currently serving on the board.

Second: Ginger Burke seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

IX. Vision for the NNCC Building

Don Genasci would like the vision to include safety for all that use the building. Gordon Allen would like his vision defined by costs to make this building long-term viable (50 yrs vs 5 yrs). Discussion about how we should not give the building away and what constitutes “giving the building away.” NNCC must hire engineers and architects to determine what is required to make the building safe. As a board we are entrusted with valuable assets belonging to other people and we have an ethical obligation as elected board members to not give it away.

X. Home Tour

Dan Volkmer announced we will host the annual tour 6/11/2017. Bill Harris, Bill Welch and Ginger Burke volunteer to serve as house captains.

XI. New Business

Bill Welch suggested we hire a professional facilitator.

Motion: Dan Volkmer moved to hire a professional facilitator to help the group move beyond the politics of the recent election.

Second: Ginger Burke seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed 9-2.

Dan Volkmer will find a facilitator to propose to the board.

Don Genasci suggested the Waterleaf timeline is too loose. Dan Anderson noted there is no start date and the proposal is premised upon raising money for the notice to proceed. Bill Welch pointed out that the Waterleaf plan excepts exterior and seismic improvements. Roger Jennings distributed a disk with the history of local press re:the building.

XII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Dated: May 1, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

Ginger Burke, Secretary

NNCC Board of Directors

Approved: As amended 5/8/2017