

# Sunnyside Neighborhood Association

## General member meeting minutes - January 13 2022

Attendees Board – Ben Wyatt, Ash Hester, Vincent Dawans, Hannah Wallace, Jessie Maran, Andria Robbins, Matt Lembo, Emily McCadden, Chris Waldman

Attendees – Tode Oshin, Gloria Jacobs, Steve Shoenfeld, Josh Roll, KOIN desk

- Welcome, introduction of Officers & Board Members to Members at Large
  - Ash invites everyone to do a brief ice breaker exercise. Name and what you are looking forward to in this new year.
  - Members at Large introduce themselves to the group
- Fundraising discussion for newsletter operations
  - Ash begins the discussion by telling the attendees that our funds are dwindling.
  - Our goal today is to map out 3 key initiatives and set milestone benchmarks for putting strategies into place.
  - Vincent shares about the disappearance of our two historically consistent advertisers: Hawthorne Auto and Northwest Realtors.
  - Gloria Jacobs asks about raising rates. This leads to a discussion about rates for printing and rates we may be able to charge.
  - Discussion turns to inserts in other publications.
  - Review fundraising strategy [document](#) and additional ideas
    - The attendees work through the strategy document and select the following:
    - Grandfather approach to existing advertisers – Chris with Vincent offering an assist
    - Love the newsletter donate button – Ash will lead
    - Corporate sponsor like banks and others – Matt will lead
    - Andria will share rates, once decided, with the business association.
- Josh Rolls from PBOT's Pedestrian Advisory Committee
  - Here to speak to our group about reinstating the traffic calming program within neighborhoods
  - Asking for a letter of support for asking the city to bring back speed bumps, Other things they would like to get the city doing include street painting.
  - The second ask is for people who have the energy to get involved.
  - Funding is limited and major streets are the priority for PBOT but it leaves neighborhood streets largely on their own or a need to be more vocal about needs.
  - Proposing to give neighborhoods the tool to implement low cost traffic safety treatment on residential streets and to get PBOT to act.
  - Josh shares a list of ideas, costs and where the project stands with PBOT currently. The presentation also includes pictures to show some street prototype examples.

- o Chris asks for details about the speed bump effort. Josh describes the process of requesting speed bumps
  - o Matt asks about deploying more traffic calming and thinks it should be a priority. Also shares that Stop sign visibility is a concern he would be willing to get involved in.
  - o Vincent suggest we keep it simple because it will be hard to get things done. Will not advocate to install speed bumps. Will advocate for more planter etc...
  - o Jes asks about a particular budget for traffic control rather than for a particular device like speed bumps. Why speed bumps? Josh says that PBOT suggested they start with that because it is an existing program.
  - o Ash suggest removing the speed bump program from the letter and coming back to the board after that.
  - o Josh gathering support for traffic calming in general right now and willing to take the speed bumps off the table. Asks for a general endorsement.
  - o Matt hesitant to generally endorse. Suggest targeted funding
  - o Chris says we cannot target if PBOT does not have a budget for the calming device.
  - o Jes clarifies that speed bumps are simply our way in.
  - o Ben not on board with the bumps but would like to find a way to open the door and motivate PBOT.
  - o Ash thanks Josh and invites him back for another visit next month.
- Brief overview on neighborhood events
    - o Upcoming Committee Meetings - Ash
    - o Next Thursday 1/20 @ 6:30 SNACC meeting
    - o General meeting adjourned

## Board meeting minutes - January 13 2022

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- Review and approve December minutes
  - Hannah moves that we approve December minutes, Chris seconds
  - A vote is taken and the motion passes.
- Committee and Officer reports
  - Treasurer's report – Vincent reports
    - End of the year we were at around \$1,300
    - SNACC received some money last month but it is almost all wrapped up in SEUL. To extract those funds we need receipts to justify reimbursement
    - Just ask Vincent if you have questions
  - DEIA – Ash and Vincent reports
    - Last meeting for a while. May need to re imagine DEIA and work it into this meeting.
  - SNACC – Emily McCadden reports
    - Emily shares about their outreach effort and a grant to fund Cole's position. Survey update - 15 responses from shower users. That is pretty good. There is a need to update the list serve.
    - Hannah reports on shower program
      - Lower numbers, maybe because it is winter. Approached the camp on 36<sup>th</sup> and gave shower information and talked about trash pickup.
    - Vincent reports on clean up
      - Adopt one block program is around 90% but some stopped cleaning their blocks. We need to clean up whether there is a camp or not. Outreach to the camp went well and will go there to help with cleanup once per week. Vincent says that 30<sup>th</sup> and Alder is out of control.
      - Vincent ask the board to stop making trash about camping. Vincent no longer taking a position on camping, just trash.
      - Chris, Ben and Hannah all share thoughts on the issue
  - SES PTSA – Andria Robbins reports
    - Circle of giving was a success. Andria sharing the link if people would like to donate more.
    - Some concern over fundraising and hopes that spring is better.
  - Business associations – Andria Robbins

- Hawthorne business association – Dairy Hill helping with clean ups every Monday. Some discussion about land use and it may be helpful to have someone represent our association at those meetings. Partnering with Got Junk and there is a process for getting a truck to come out. Also looking for volunteers for a mother’s day event.
    - Belmont Business association
      - Postponed their annual dinner due to COVID
  - SE Uplift - Ash provides updates
    - Minutes in the google drive if we want to read those
    - Sharon, the new Board Administrator Director gave a presentation to share vision and get everybody into alignment
    - SEUL voted to continue being a fiscal sponsor for People United Against Hate (PUAH)
    - Black and Beyond the Binary is having an event soon. Ash will share the info.
  - Hannah suggests we put something in the newsletter about people dropping off trash at the camps.
- Review endorsement policy document
  - The board edits the endorsement doc. Step 2 of the procedure gets a lot of attention. Board members share their thoughts on this Step.
  - Some language changes in step 4 to allow for the general membership to vote.
- Chair provides closing meeting statements
- Meeting concludes