

# Sunnyside Neighborhood Association

Board meeting minutes – September 20, 2022

Attendees Board – Vincent Dawans, Hannah Wallace, Chris Waldman, Ben Wyatt, Cole White

Call to order 8:00pm

- Agenda topic to convene the Newsletter committee on outreach and presentation of the Newsletter
  - Not everything on the website is in the Newsletter
  - Digital strategy discussed versus paper copies, people are currently updated on new blog posts as they post to the website
  - Chair of Newsletter Committee guessed to be Grace Tunning, but the title is more like Newsletter Coordinator
  - Idea to fundraise by asking people for their recycling that they're just going to throw in their bin, but they save it until last minute so people don't dig through the trash. At the same time, we could save labor by asking some homeless canning experts to help us out and get a chance to get paid some significant money. I know the good recycling centers where we can turn in around \$35 or \$50 in recycling.
  - These items tabled until October
- Hawthorne Business Association put on the Hawthorne street fair but also staging the United Nations International Day of Peace
  - 4 - 7pm on Wednesday at the Elks Lodge, we are offered a slot to have a table there
  - Discussed that Vincent was the one who put the garden tubs at 36 th and Hawthorne to displace the homeless camp there to another area, where someone else can deal with them. Vincent accuses Cole of only complaining at the board meetings.
  - Discussing signage to bring and who might staff the table
  - Idea to take votes on a variety of topics to address for the Board
  - Ben volunteers to staff the table at the event
  - Vincent asks to ask Joe from Belmont Books and see if he wants to renew his ad in the Newsletter; Joe is not responding.
  - Not sure why he didn't renew.
  - Perhaps he has a new payment system Paypal, phone number, way to find him in paypal.
- Cole introduces possible future agenda item to switch from a Robert's Rules centered approach for group facilitation to a more consensus building approach
  - Talks about consensus building being a more efficient, less labor intensive, and less costly in terms of both funding costs and social burnout.
  - Chris and I agreed that the Board already discusses and decides on

- Needs a 2/3 vote from the Board, in favor of a motion to abstain from using Robert's Rules—in favor of a consensus building approach to group facilitation.

Meeting is concluded 8:40