

RHN Board Meeting Agenda
Monday, April 6, 2015 @ 6:30 pm
Home of Joyce Kucharvey
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Russian Hill Neighbors is a voice for residents and merchants to preserve and advance neighborhood character and quality of life through collaboration, volunteerism, and celebration of community.

Attendees

Adam Barrett, Richard Cardello, Phoebe Douglass, Helen Doyle, Gregg Carr, Emily Harrold, Judy Junghans, Steve Kendrick, Joyce Kucharvy, Ian Maddison, Tina Moylan, Laurie Petipas, Greg Polchow, Lucretia Rauh, Carol Ann Rogers, Sarah Taber, Steve Taber

Executive Committee Reports

- Update on Executive Committee
Motion by Ian to approve the appointments of Tina as President and Emily as Secretary. Second by Steve. Motion passed. Director positions for Joyce and Adam will be confirmed at the Annual Meeting on April 23.

- Treasurer (Ian)
 - 2015/2015 Budget draft was distributed via email prior to the Board Meeting. Motion by Greg to approve the budget. Second by Tina. Motion passed. Budget will be presented at the Annual Meeting.
 - Met with the president and members of RHIA (Russian Hill Improvement Association). Safety, Lombard Street closure, and street cleaning are their priorities. An effort should be made to fold them into RHN so we are not duplicating efforts.
 - Shared a proposal from Dian Blomquist for RHN to donate \$4500 to Broadway Gardens to help fund its programs for children and seniors. Motion by Ian to move \$4500 from the Broadway Tunnel Restricted Fund was not met with a second. Judy and Steve note the Broadway Tunnel project is only about 20% completed and still ongoing, and the restricted funds should remain for this specific purpose. New motion by Ian to make a donation of \$4500 from the General Fund to Broadway Gardens. Second by Laurie. Motion passed.
 - Motion by Richard to use \$2500 from the General Fund for the Undergrounding Group. So much work is being done and RHN's support will be appreciated. Second by Tina. Motion passed.

- President (Tina)
 - Brief recap of Erica's departure and establishment of new board.
 - RHN Annual Meeting will take place on Thursday, April 23 at the Old First Presbyterian Church. Food will be served at 6pm and the meeting will begin at 7pm. Phil Ginsburg, General Manager, Recreation and Parks Department, is confirmed to speak. RHN will request he provide a brief summary of the state of the seven parks in Russian Hill. Speakers will also include Supervisors from Districts 2 and 3, as well as the Central and Northern Police Captains. Tina confirmed membership is required for meeting attendance. Sarah will coordinate the food / drinks with help from other members. We should make calls to members to encourage them to attend; let's divide up the member list from Ian. Will also need some members to arrive early (5:30pm) for set-up and welcome.

- Motion by Tina for RHN to treat DZLU members to an Appreciation Dinner at a restaurant of their choice to honor all of their hard work. Second by Steve. Motion passed. Richard will inform the committee members and they will surely be pleased.
 - RHN Retreat set for Saturday, August 1, from 11am-2pm. Location TBD.
- Secretary (Emily)
March Board Meeting minutes will not yet be voted on. We will review Steve's comments sent via email on April 6 and discuss a Draft 3 of the March minutes (to be distributed) at the May Board Meeting.

Committee Reports

- Neighborhood Improvement (Greg)
 - A Neighborhood Sweep is happening this Saturday, April 11 at 9:30am. Meet on the NE corner of Union and Leavenworth.
 - Looking to co-brand Adopt-a-Block with DPW. Will meet with Julie Christensen and DPW to talk about options of getting this off the ground. Tina will help secure RHN hats to give out to volunteers. DPW will supply program kits. Let's include Adopt-a-Block on the Annual Meeting Agenda and ask a representative from DPW to talk about the program.
 - Discussion on Nextdoor is generally in favor of city street sweeping. A once-per-month frequency is the likely proposal.
- Communications (Tina for Mike)
An e-blast is going out shortly. No other updates.
- Social (Joyce)
 - Described the Hornblower bay cruise brunch. Decided this is too costly for members at \$100/person.
 - Tina: Polk Street Merchants are hosting RHN and Middle Polk Neighbors for a social of appetizers and drinks at Harper and Rye (1695 Polk Street) on April 14.
 - Joyce will host the first Let's Wine and Dine (LWD) event for RHN members. Perhaps Saturday, May 9. Details to follow.
- DZLU (Richard)
 - Motion by Tina to make Francisco Park an Ad Hoc committee under RHN. Second by Laurie. Motion passed.
 - Regarding Richard's email to Mr. Harkin at 1111-1122 Green Street: motion by Joyce to use as written. Second by Tina. Motion passed. Tina will send via email.
 - Steve asked to resend notes on DZLU report to the board as separate comments, instead of redlines in the report document. Richard will attach these as comments to the back of the report.
 - Sarah: We will use the approved RHN letter to send to DPW for each extranet address in question.
- Francisco Park Conservancy (Steve)
 - The interim FPC Board is comprised of seven members: Steve (RHN), Tanya Urofsky (Aquatic Park Neighbors), Lyn Jefferson (NB Neighbors), Robert Girard (RHIA), Jan Blum (RHIA/RHN), Leslie Alsbach (RHIA), Knut Axseth / President of Norwegian Church (RHIA). Their charge is to

negotiate with the city about formal management and the Conservancy's role for the next twenty years. Once an agreement with the city is reached, this interim board will dissolve and a full board will be put in place. Richard: this interim board does not reflect the makeup discussed in 2013.

- Steve will provide a written report describing the FPC Board's activities to RHN each month as part of the ad hoc committee.

- Families with Children (Emily)
Initial goals: 1) Post resources and local activities for families on the RHN website. Will coordinate with Mike. 2) Develop quarterly events for neighborhood families. First event may include bringing police officers and their vehicle(s) to Helen Wills Park so children can learn more about their work and staying safe.

Tina adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:30pm.

Thank you again to Joyce for hosting!

Notes taken by Emily Harrold, Secretary