

Russian Hill Neighbors Board Meeting

Approved Minutes

Monday, March 4, 2019

Host: Joyce Kucharvy Co-host: Michelle Montz

Attending with RSVP – (18) Alice Alioto, Isabell Alzate, Bob Bluhm, Lauren Bohlin, Richard Cardello, Lorena Calgani, Gregg Carr, Phoebe Douglass, Judy Junghans, Joyce Kucharvy, Ian Maddison, Michelle Montz, Laurie Petipas, Greg Polchow, Jovanne Reilly, Adrienne Rogers, Carol Ann Rogers, Steve Taber.

Pending – no RSVP (2) Tim Covington, Lucretia Rauh.

Excused with notice - (7) Al Greening, Tina Hinckley, Tracy Jaquier, Mike Moylan, Tina Moylan, Christine Welland, Matthew Mansfield,

6:50 Call to Order

Executive Committee Reports

President/Executive Committee Report: Carol Ann Rogers

Introduction of Adrienne Rogers, New Families Committee Chair

- **ACTION: That the Board ratify the appointment of RHN Member Adrienne Rogers to Chair the Families Committee. MOTION/SECONDED/APPROVED**
- **ACTION: That the Board ratify the appointment of Board Director Tina Hinckley to Chair the Safety Committee. MOTION/SECONDED/APPROVED**
- By-Laws are being updated and reviewed in advance of the Membership Meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Joyce Kucharvy (*see financials sent by earlier separate email.*)

- Joyce previously sent a note to liability accounts so that committee chairs can identify if the money will be used or abandoned before the end of the fiscal year (ends April 30, 2019) or if funds should remain for future use.
- Budgeting is beginning for next fiscal year which starts May 1. Joyce will send questions to committee chairs for input.

Secretary's Report: Michelle Montz (*draft minutes previously circulated*)

- **ACTION: Approval of February 4, 2019 Meeting Minutes – recommended changes presented. MOTION/SECONDED/APPROVED AS AMENDED**
- Secretary will be taking over DropBox, will attempt to provide a protocol and asked for Committee Chairs to consider DropBox needs and a check-list of their duties to assist with continuity

Committee Reports

- Transportation Report: Steve Taber
 - Central subway moving forward – no updates
 - Lombard Street solutions - no updates
 - Ford Go Bikes Station Installation Notice sent to RHN – Bike stations that provide bikes for rent have been proposed in several locations within Russian Hill. The bikes would be electric-assist, and Ford Go Bike's plan is to add bikes where there is a public transit gap between bus stops and destinations. Bikes are rented and returned at different locations. A recent installation at Leavenworth and Broadway has raised some concerns regarding the loss of

parking spaces. RHN has been informed of two proposed locations on Vallejo east of Polk and Chestnut between Van Ness and Polk. This would eliminate street parking – approximately 3 spaces for each station. This is a recent development for the neighborhood, and RHN has no position and must research the process, plan and mandate for notification. The information will be circulated to RHN Membership for comment as well.

- Communications Report: Alice Alioto
 - Website redesign launched, please advise on website updates from your areas, if needed. Conversation about information to be included on website, for example Financials and Board Meeting Minutes, will be discussed separately.
 - Update on communication's team added another member as the Social Media lead.
 - Website & Newsletter items are due by the 18th for the following month and must include copy and artwork.
- Local Business: Lauren Bohlin
 - Flyer for Merchant Mixer on March 20 prepared – SF Council of District Council Merchants Association may attend– flyer being circulated. Lauren walked the neighborhood and introduced herself to businesses. Discussed ways to assist local businesses and encourage RHN membership.
- DZLU Report: Bob Bluhm (*see written report emailed under separate cover*)
 - Navigation Centers – Discussion regarding Navigation Centers (NG). RHN made a visit to a NG to better understand the concept. The centers are meant to last two or three years and are located on future construction sites. NG Centers are different from emergency shelters. It is a centralized place where the services are matched with the 'guest' needs in an attempt to streamline the process. Adult families without may come and go and stay for up to 30 days while waiting for placement. There is capital investment required to comply with codes, etc., and the Mayor's administration is evaluating whether having short term center or longer term is the better solution. Currently, there are three existing centers, and the centers are continuing to be assessed and refined.
- Social Report: Isabell Alzate – (*see written report*)
 - SF Cheese School – led by Joyce was a success with 30 people in attendance.
 - Events will continue to be posted on the website with a goal toward one event per month.
 - Annual Meeting in May – working on date options, Tiny Moylan is following up with potential speakers. Timing is likely the 2nd week in May (the 7, 8 or 9) and Isabell will continue to work on potential venues.
 - Social activities discussed – requests have been made for neighborhood walks, historic walks, organized dining, etc.
 - Membership and Social Committees to work together to facilitate membership at events.
- Families & Children: Adrienne Rogers (No Report)
- Safety Committee: Tina Hinckley (No Report)
- Membership Report: Ian Maddison
 - Ian working toward setting clear goals for RHN membership numbers. Board members were asked to send Ian their recommended goals for the size of the organization before the next Board Meeting. Alice Alioto will provide breakdown on membership, number of households, etc. from data.
 - CAR said this would be a great topic for the annual Board Retreat.
 - Isabell suggested asking new members how they found out about the organization on the new CRM, once launched
- Neighborhood Enhancement: Phoebe Douglass
 - CAR including information regarding mechanical sweeping on a block-by-block basis

in her President's message this month.

- Held an indoor meeting – 12 attendees – Rubbish people presented and have a great attitude and gathering data on trash. Rubbish is trying to understand where the trash is being generated.
- March 16th – St. Patrick's Day morning sweep on top of Union at Leavenworth– DPW cannot participate but will provide supplies.
- Aaron Peskin will be talking about Navigation Center next Monday, March 10th at North Beach Neighbors meeting.
- Parks Report: Christine Welland (No Report)
- Representative to Neighborhood Coalition Organizations Report: Matthew Mansfield (No Report)
- History Report: (No Report)
- Nominating Report: (No Report)

New Business:

Ferlinghetti's 100th Birthday this year – several events are being held around the city.

Donation previously given to Yick Wo Elementary School. RHN should discuss future participation/donation for schools within RHN borders. This will be handled by new Families with Children Chair.

Meeting adjourned: 8:35 pm

**Next Board Meeting - MONDAY, April 1 - 6:00 Dinner; 6:45 Meeting
Host: Tina Hinckley; Co-host: Jovanne Reilly**