

FNA Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, January 12, 2022, 7pm

Online via Zoom

MINUTES

Board members present:

Ray Klahr (President), Chris Black (Treasurer), Andrea Davila, Katrina Kessler, Jane Kohnen, Jill Lock, Dylan McMahon, Carolina Rose, Stephanie Tom, Michael Wagner

Staff present:

Andrew Degerstrom, Coordinator

Guests present:

Linea Palmisano, Minneapolis City Council, Ward 13

Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m. There were no additions or revisions to the agenda.

Minutes: Minutes from the December 8, 2021 FNA meeting were reviewed. Andrea moved to approve the minutes, Michael seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Councilmember Linea Palmisano:

- CM Palmisano is grateful to have Ruth Olson working in her office.
- CM Palmisano is looking for feedback on how often she should attend FNA meetings. Pre-pandemic she tried to attend every other month but has been attending monthly since the pandemic began as its a way to stay connected socially.
- CM Palmisano reported that the development project located at 5015 France has been fully approved and unsuccessfully approved. CM Palmisano is focusing on how to bury utilities and mitigate construction disruptions.
- CM Palmisano reported that the development project located on the 49xx block of France Ave is nearing approval. Neighbors have hired a lawyer and insisting an environmental review is needed, but the City Attorney disagrees.
- CM Palmisano reported that Alex Gese is working on a development proposal for the 51xx block of France and is currently in the pre-application process with CPED.
- Kite festival is next weekend. CM Palmisano is working with other neighborhoods on how to make the event enjoyable and prevent traffic from getting stuck on Linden Hills Boulevard. No parking will be implemented to keep traffic moving.
- CM Palmisano has been elected as Vice President of the City Council.

Treasurer's Report: Chris reviewed the December Treasurer's report.

Fulton Small Grants 2022: Andrea, Jane, and Andrew will meet to plan for the 2022 round of Fulton Small Grants.

President's Update, Ray Klahr:

- FNA's Equitable Engagement Plan has been approved. There is almost \$7,000 in funding for 2022. Ray is looking for volunteers to help with plan implementation and is estimating a monthly time commitment of 2 hours.
- Ruth has a number of supplies at her house and needs volunteers to store supplies.

Southwest Voices: the Board reviewed the proposed donation agreement with Southwest Voices. Southwest Voices will donate a percentage of their membership revenue from people living in the Fulton Neighborhood to FNA. FNA may promote the partnership, but is not obligated to do so. Dylan moves that FNA approve and enter into the donation agreement, Steve seconded. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Committee Updates:

- Racial Equity: The Racial Equity Committee has created a worksheet.

Old Business: none

New Business:

- Jane suggested starting a gardening group and gave the traffic circles along 54th Street as an example.
- Andrea suggested that FNA do something to honor Ruth.

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Andrew Degerstrom, Neighborhood Coordinator

Approved by FNA Board President:

Signed: Nikki Nethercot-Niermann, Secretary