

Minutes of May 8 2024, 7pm
FNA Meeting held in Pershing Park Rec Center and google meet

Board Members Present: Michelle Doerrler, Jane Kohnen, Kristen Ingle, Ray Klahr, Steve Young, Jim Donnelly, Blaine Miller-McFeeley (in person) Caro Li (online)

Guests: Sasha Jensen (staff)

Meeting called to order at 7:00p.m.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was removed from this part of the agenda to be covered in the Budget Deep Dive

Minutes from the April 2024 meeting: Ray moved to approve the April minutes. Jim seconded and it was approved unanimously.

Small Grants: Ray moved to approve the small grants presented by the committee to Lake Harriet Community School PTA, Southwest High School Robotics, and the Southwest High School Landscaping. Blaine Seconded and it was approved unanimously. Sasha will notify recipients of awards and work with Dennis to make sure payment is sent.

Community Dinners:

Budget: Michelle moved to approve the requested \$1100 budget and have it taken from the Racial Equity Budget. Jim seconded it and it was approved unanimously.

Tabling: We received a question, if a sponsor of the community dinner could have a table at the dinner. After the board discussed we decided we won't have tables at the Community Dinners but they can buy one at the Fall Festival. Ray will write up a policy.

Elected Official Attendance: Someone from our U.S. Congressperson's office had a conversation with Jill about attending one of our Community Dinners. After a discussion about our new Candidate Policy it was decided that she can attend as a resident and elected official but cannot campaign. Caro shared some concerns about having elected officials at Community Dinners and the decision was tabled to the June meeting.

Environmental Bus Tour: Blaine moved to approve the \$600 requested for the Environmental Bus tour planned for September to be taken from the Racial Equity Committee and Environmental Committees' Budgets. Kristen seconded and it was approved unanimously.

Pollinator Plant Giveaway: Jane moved to approve the \$600 requested for the Pollinator Plant giveaway at the Fulton Farmers Market to come from the Environmental Committee Budget. Jim seconded it and it was approved unanimously.

FNA Budget Deep Dive

We took a look at where we are at with the budget year to date. Earth Day and Community Dinners were added in a new column.

Jane presented the revised financial policy. Blaine asked to clarify what "new initiatives" meant under what needed approval for new funds. That was clarified and Jim moved to approve the financial procedures. Blaine seconded and it was approved unanimously.

Krsiten shared a spreadsheet she created for all of our funds and after a discussion the board decided that all budget items should be tied back to assets.

The \$2500 under safety was removed from the budget.

A discussion took place about how to format budget and reporting to see where assets are coming from and what the board feels comfortable with as a reserve.

A discussion took place about how much we need to fundraise at this time.

Ray and Krsiten will work on a new budget sheet and the board will continue to discuss this moving forward.

Meeting adjourned at 8:59pm

Minutes Submitted by Sasha Jensen, FNA Coordinator.