

Fulton Neighborhood Association Board of Directors
Minutes of Wednesday, November 12 2025, 6:30 pm
FNA Meeting held in Pershing Park Rec Center and google meet

Board Members Present: Sophie Su, Ian Harrison, Kristen Simmons-Ingle, John Bender, Mike Youngblood, Jane Kohnen, and Jill Lock (in person) Melaine Kanow, Blake Ward, and Seth Salenger (online)

Guests: Sasha Jensen (staff) Tawnya Artisst-Anderson (resident) Greg Fall (resident-online)

FNA Board Meeting called to order at 6:30p.m.

Treasurer's Report: Jane presented the Treasurer's report.

The FNA Venmo account is linked to Ray's phone number. After trying to find a way to transfer it, Ray is canceling the account and we will try to open a new one or use PayPal.

Jane moved to renew our CD at North American Banking Company for another 6 months. John seconded and it was approved unanimously

The fiscal year change to January -December still has not been accepted by the IRS, so we are going to submit October 2024-September 2025 and see if it gets rejected.

Minutes from the September 2025 Board meeting: Jane moved to approve the September board meeting minutes. Jill seconded and it was approved unanimously.

New Board Member Candidate Tawnya Artisst Anderson: Tawnya introduced herself and shared her interest in joining the FNA board. Kristen moved to elect her to one of the open FNA Board seats. Ian seconded and it was approved unanimously.

2026 Officer Elections: After a discussion where the candidates shared their intentions, Tawnya moved to elect the slate of Kristen as Secretary, Seth as Treasurer, and Melanie as Vice President. Sophie seconded and it was approved unanimously.

Sophie and Jane were both interested in the President position. They both spoke about why they wanted to be President, and what they would do in the role. A vote was held by paper ballot and Sophie was elected President.

2026 Draft Budget Update: Jane led a discussion about the 2025 Budget to Actual report and the 2026 budget draft. We will discuss further at our December board meeting and hope to discuss more details if we have a board retreat in 1Q 2026.

Additional Coordinator Contract Hours for 2025: Sasha left the room, and in a closed door session the board moved to add 60 additional hours to her contract for 2025.

2026 Board meeting location and start time: A discussion took place about the board often needing more time than the park closing at 8pm allows. Sophie can't do a 6pm start time but could possibly do

a 6:15 start. It was determined we will stay at the park from 6:30-8pm for now, but Sasha will ask the park about paying for an extra hour of staff time and we will continue the discussion as we schedule 2026 meetings.

Events update:

Sophie said she would like to lead the Lunar News Year event this year. She has already secured several vendors for February 28. Sophie made a motion to approve a \$1,100 budget for the event. Tawnya seconded it and the motion was approved unanimously. Sophie will send the board her event planning documents.

Kristen does not want to lead Holiday Caroling this year. Ian is interested in doing some neighborhood caroling and will connect with Kristen about possibly making it an FNA event.

Meeting adjourned at 8pm

Minutes Submitted by Sasha Jensen, FNA Coordinator.