



Payne-Phalen

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Minutes for the Community Meeting

Tuesday, July 28, 2020 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Online via Zoom Conferencing

Context:

Many organizations are confronting how to manage the need to host virtual board meetings and elections when current bylaws do not allow for this activity. Following the lead of the St. Paul City Council, in April the PPCC Board adopted the following language (and a series of other measures to manage the organization through this challenging time:

"In-person meetings, or meetings conducted under Minn. Stat. 13D.02 of the City Council, are not practical or prudent because of the COVID-19 health pandemic emergency declared under Minn. Stat. Chapter 12 by the Minnesota Governor Tim Walz and Saint Paul Mayor Melvin Carter. In light of the COVID-19 health pandemic, members of the City Council will participate in City Council meetings by telephone or other electronic means. "

Welcome: Introductions and Review of the Agenda

Board Members: Athena Hollins, Rebecca Nelson, Patricia Enstad, Krishna Natarajan, Bill Zajicek, Seanne Thomas, Lynette Harris, Crystal Norcross

Staff: Jack Byers, Executive Director, Robin Horkey, Admin. & Outreach Assistant.

Community Participants & Guests: Mike Allen, Roger Allmendinger, Robin S Perez, Karin DuPaul, Brad Griffith, Annie Kuthart, Marci Exsted, Dimitri Hatzigeorgiou

Business items:

1. Approval of Minutes from recent meeting: (Rebecca Nelson, Secretary). Patricia motions to accept, Krishna seconds. Motion passes
2. PPCC Financial Report and Status (Janey Atchison, Treasurer)
3. Updates and recommendations from the Executive Director (Jack Byers)

Recommends supporting staff in updating and expanding communications, engagement platforms, tools & resources. Forging expanding resources for financial stability and developing model of hybrid operations.

Recommends updating and revising project scope, timeline & phasing strategy. Partner with allied organizations. Solidify online engagement tools & activities. Also, take foundation resources from 2020 and save to use early in the new year as we had fully intended.

Recommends Not spending time organizing in person Annual meeting, plan for an online election and/or extending current board terms and filling current vacancies. Will form nominating committee and event committee to work with staff to pursue other options and continue efforts to recruit potential candidates.

Rebecca makes a motion to create one nominating & events committee combined. Bill seconds and motion passes.

Committee consists of Rebecca, Patricia, Athena and Bill.

Bill motions to accept recommendations from Jack. Seanne seconds and motion passes.

Community Discussion:

4. Cultivating and maintaining partnerships: Shaping, re-shaping, and affirming our values for working effectively on behalf of our communities.

Bill makes motion to add three more food shelves to the list of Community partners. Merrick Community Services, Salvation Army and Mom's Food Shelf. Rebecca seconds and motion passes.

Patricia makes a motion to write a letter of recommendation for Mom's Food Shelf for a grant opportunity that is available. Bill seconds. Motion passes.

Wrap-up, announcements, and other business:

Crystal's organization is having "Flower Power" event to highlight mass incarceration at Indian Mounds Park. From Sunrise to Sunset with many Indigenous Artists. Saturday August 1st. Please bring flowers to help honor.

Also, asked to be at event on Sept 5th with Lower Phalen Creek Project and Daylighting the creek. Bring flowers and bring presence of Payne Phalen Community Council.

We are collaborating with Payne Ave businesses to work on an Art project Oct 1st through the 3rd.

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Next meeting: August 25, 2020 6:30 PM