

Meeting Minutes 12/19/2016

Attendees

Board members and staff present marked with "X"

Sarah Sillers - Chair	X	Jeremy Schroeder- Vice Chair	X
Sean O'Brien - Treasurer	X	Patrick Strahan – Secretary	X
Courtney Laufenberg (Staff)	X	Jill Ridley	X
Charlie Ritt	X	Darren Nyquist	
Keith Dietzenbach	X	Jake Schwitzer	X
Ryan Pulkrabek		Bunni Holiday	X

Guests: John Quincy

Meeting called to order:7:01PM

Previous meeting minutes reviewed by board.

Motion made by Sarah Sillers and seconded by Charlie Ritt

Motion approved at 7:02PM

Agenda Item 1: Financial Update

Sean O'Brien updated the board members on the current financial situation. HPDL is finishing out the year under budget, with no new upcoming expenditures for 2016 and will roll over the remaining funds for use in 2017. Additionally the proposed contract modifications were approved at the safety and engagement committee, and the funds will be moved and available next month.

Agenda Item 2: Strategic Planning Update

The executive committee is still reviewing and approving the write up from the strategic planning meeting. During the strategic planning meeting, the board members were asked to take ownership of one of the new ideas that were proposed, and make some effort to perform initial discovery on feasibility before this meeting. Notable follow ups from those commitments are:

Patrick: Began looking into a new festival for the neighborhood, which is more adult focused revolving around food and art. A committee was formed to pursue this as a goal for fall of 2017.

Jill: New community survey, for other neighborhood organizations, has been created and is ready to be sent.

Sarah: Followed up with Metroblooms and committed to 5 rain gardens totaling a \$2,500 board commitment for 2017.

Jake: Looking into opportunities for partnership during Minneapolis annual tree sale

Charlie: Attended open house for the northeast tool library and asked members some questions to explore opening one for HPDL. Based on the cost and size of the library, the space and staffing needs and initially startup cost and effort it is not something the board currently wants to explore. In the future the board may look to partner with the group

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running the northeast tool library, but given that they are in the process of opening an alternate location, this is probably not the best year for it.

Courtney: Exploring hosting a debate for ward 11 city council before the caucuses in April in coordination with other neighborhood organizations. Patrick is in the loop on this as well.

Agenda Item 3: 2017 Goals

Based on the strategic planning meeting, and the follow ups from ideas presented there, the board has identified the following goals for 2017.

- Metroblooms: work with neighbors to create 5 new rain gardens
- Create a new festival for the neighborhood
- Host a debate for ward 11 city council in coordination with other neighborhoods in the ward
- Produce a quarterly newsletter and distribute to all households in the neighborhood

Committee Updates

- **Neighborhood Safety and Engagement:** No update
- **Picnic in the Park:** No Update
- **Environmental:** No Update
- **Frost Fest:** Planning is in progress.
- **Triangle Park:** Jeremey to attend next people for parks meeting to see if we qualify for matching funds,
- **Garage Sale:** No Update
- **Business Association:** No updates.
- **Communications:** First meeting was held, initial planning on 2016 recap newsletter complete.

New Business

- The group involved in the community garden project will be attending the Board meeting in January

Meeting adjourned: 7:50pm
