

FAUNTLEROY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Business Meeting Minutes

Date: June 11, 2024

Board:

PRESENT	ABSENT			PRESENT	ABSENT	
X		Catherine Bailey		X		Frank Immel
X		Bruce Butterfield		X		Susan Lantz-Dey
X		Mike Dey		X		Meredith Sciarrio
X		Alan Grainger			X	Diana Spence
zoom		David Haggerty				
X		Amber Heinemann		X		Bill Wellington
	X	Kris Ilgenfritz		7:15		Marty Westerman

Guests:

German Barreto, SPD, Community Liaison Officer
 Dave Follis, neighbor (printed newsletters at no charge)
 Dwight Gaut/Eric Cunningham, neighbors (zoom)
 Patrick Strand, WS Blog (zoom)

Start: 6:03 PM

End: 8:05 PM

The meeting was called to order by Mike Dey and introductions were made all around. Minutes for the May 14, 2024 meeting were approved as submitted.

WS Police Update: Officer German Barreto, community relations
 In West Seattle, sexual assaults and larceny are down. Year-to-date, shots fired/shootings show no significant change. Juvenile crime is up 800%. SPD is doing its job arresting the offenders and getting them into the juvenile justice system. The courts release them to home with an electronic monitoring bracelet. The court, however, doesn't monitor the bracelets, and many juvenile offenders cut their bracelet and are soon at large again... a very common and frustrating cycle for police.

There is a new commander coming to the SW Precinct, Captain Krista Bair. She is coming over from the Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Unit. Outgoing Captain Martin Rivera is being transferred to head the Violent Crimes/Homicides Section.

Officer recruiting continues to be difficult. A major stumbling block is that the City no longer offers SPD any medical retirement. The issue is State wide and must be addressed at the state legislature level. However, Seattle City Council bargains with the police union and could negotiate the benefit for the Seattle police which would bring in already trained police from the rest of the State. Presently, only "600 of 1400" officer positions are filled.

Fall Festival Fundraise at Endolyne Joe's:

The May fundraiser at Joe's was a success. Joe's donated a portion of the day's sales, and there were lots of raffles and tickets sold. A total of \$2,759.31 was raised. Upcoming fundraisers will be scheduled at Birdhouse and Wildwood Market this summer.

Planter Boxes at Endolyne Triangle:

The June 1 planting party (winter cleanup, summer geranium planting) drew 15 volunteers and the work was completed in under two hours. The summer watering schedule has been posted for volunteer signups.

Ferries Update: Frank Immel

The next Community Advisory Group (CAG) meeting has been postponed, awaiting completion of a traffic study.

Steve Nevey has been named as the new head/Assistant Secretary for WA State Ferries.

Account Access:

With the evolution in FCA finances, it was important to update who can access the various association accounts, to streamline operations and to maintain security.

Discussion led to the following board members having access:

PO box: Mike Dey, Catherine Bailey

Bank: Mike Dey, Catherine Bailey

Wild Apricot: Meredith Sciarrio, Amber Heinemann

Pay Pal: Meredith Sciarrio, Amber Heinemann, Kris Ilgenfritz

Square: Meredith Sciarrio, Amber Heinemann, Kris Ilgenfritz

There was discussion/recommendation for an emergency backup for Bill Wellington's management of the FCA website. Bill will provide a list of what accounts he accesses for the website.

With multiple passwords and players, Bill recommended a password manager. He will need a letter verifying FCA's nonprofit status in order to get nonprofit pricing.

Treasurer:

The treasurer position remains unfilled, which is straining the board members who are splitting the responsibilities. To date, an open ask to the board has not been successful. Strategies for recruitment were discussed, with several that will be pursued.

- Catherine will check with FCA's bank, if they might offer up a volunteer to assist with bookkeeping.
- Meredith will engage with the WS Chamber of Commerce in search of a volunteer.
- Mike will contact the WS Blog
- Include a revolving ad in the newsletter
- Send an email Blast to membership seeking a volunteer

Budget/Membership: Meredith Sciarrio, Amber Heinemann

Total income for 2023 was \$7,525 and total expenses were \$12,969, leaving a deficit of \$5,444. One of the major ways to address the deficit is to bring business memberships up to date. There are currently 19 **business memberships**, with 4 up to date on dues.

Dues paid first quarter shows just shy of 200 **household memberships**. Strategies to remind people about unpaid memberships, especially those several years in arrears, were discussed.

Meredith is making excellent progress integrating the existing database into Wild Apricot. Annual fees for 2024 are \$1,512 and an additional \$300 to integrate PayPal. The board approved the cost of integrating PayPal. Mike will investigate the cost of PayPal card readers (Zettle) 3 minimum.

Dropping Square payment system was discussed, because it doesn't integrate with Wild Apricot. The only time Square gets used, however, is at the Annual Meeting, limiting the frequency of manual data entry. Further discussion is warranted (depending on the cost of PayPal card readers).

Amber has pulled together a **business membership event** at the Schoolhouse next week/June 18 @ 6PM. The general program will be introductions; does the current membership pricing (varied levels) work or should a single business membership fee be considered; how can we help you; general networking.

Action Items:

- **Catherine** will check with FCA's bank re. a volunteer for treasurer
- **Meredith and Amber** will contact the WS Chamber of Commerce in search of a volunteer treasurer.
- **Meredith** will invite the new director of the Chamber to an FCA business meeting.
- **Bill** will provide Mike the specific letter/document needed verifying FCA's nonprofit status (for nonprofit pricing on password managers).
 - Provide a list of what accounts he accesses for the website (for emergency backup).
- **Marty** will compose a letter to Parks & Rec thanking them for listening to community voices regarding placement of pickleball courts. **Mike** will put it on letterhead.
- **Mike** will put Marty's letter to Parks on letterhead.
 - Contact the WS Blog regarding an article for a volunteer treasurer.
 - Investigate the cost of PayPal card readers (min. 3).
 - Provide Bill with a letter verifying FCA's nonprofit status, (given info provided by Bill) for nonprofit pricing on password managers.

Who is writing the email Blast for treasurer position?

Who is writing the revolving ad for newsletter regarding treasurer?

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Lantz-Dey