



Sullivan's Gulch Neighborhood Association, c/o Encorepreneur Cafe, 1548 NE 15<sup>th</sup> Ave., Portland, Oregon 97232  
<http://www.sullivansgulch.org>

## Meeting Minutes of the SGNA Board of Directors April 9, 2019 7--8:30 PM

Board Members Present: Dave Brook, Martin Rowe, Mary Beth Christopher, Chris Jensen, Julie Hoffinger, Dan Lerch-Walters, Kathy Hansen, Michael Brown, Paul Comery

Board Members Excused: Mike Purvis, Ron Boucher

Board Members Unexcused:

Guests and Neighborhood Members: Aubrey, a neighbor.

All motions and votes are marked in underline and italics.  
All votes were completed by show of hands.

### Meeting Start at 7:11 pm

#### Open Mic: Time for members of our community to raise concerns/questions

- **SOLV Earth Day Clean Up - Dave Brook**
  - There is a link on the website for volunteers at the SOLV Earth Day Clean Up, Saturday, April 20, 9am to Noon. Discussion about local clean-up programs, discussion about people living in their cars.
- **1620 Building - Dave Brook**
  - Someone from the 1620 building association asked for an updated meeting notice for posting in the mail room. A draft notice was circulated for review.

### Roll Call at 7:18 pm

#### Open Mic, continued

- **Neighborhood Clean-Up**
  - Kathy asked about the date of the Neighborhood Clean Up event with Irvington? The event will be May 11<sup>th</sup>. Mary Beth asked about a newsletter, lawn signs, and getting the word out about the clean up? Discussed having an announcement or a newsletter; Dave's preference is a newsletter. Board members will need to help deliver. Dave will work on for the last weekend in April.

#### Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes

- *Kathy moved to approve the February and March meeting minutes, seconded by Michael. Motion passed unanimously.*

#### Business Items

- **Possible Change of Board Meeting Location - Dave Brook**
  - A Board member had suggested a change of meeting location, and possibly a return to Holladay Park Plaza. Discussed the reason for the change. Consider: notifying the two individuals that the meeting will be returning to HPP, and that they can let Dave know in advance if they would like to attend, and the meeting can be moved in that case. The reason to move back would be financial; the cost

of the meetings now is about \$600 per year. Discussion about meeting notice for the general public, and how far in advance the meeting location would need to be finalized. Discussed meetings being available to the public. Discussed when individuals can be excluded from board meetings. Discussed the public nature of our organization. Discussed Grace Church location. Guest suggestion: Perhaps alternate locations? McMenamin's might have a minimum charge for using their room. Community rooms at Fred Meyer or New Seasons? Ask Lloyd Center, although that is outside of the neighborhood? Ask Grant Park Village? Residence Inn? These are other options to investigate. Dave will look at the City's guidance about public access to meetings. Julie will look at the SGNA Bylaws. Aubrey will ask at Fred Meyer, New Seasons, and Grant Park Village.

- **Possible Board Retreat/Planning Session - Dave Brook**
  - It has been some time since the last Board retreat. Board members agree it would be helpful. Discussed open meeting requirements. Discussed the Doodle poll for the proposed dates. Dave will keep everyone updated.
- **Appointment of SGNA Representative to NE Coalition of Neighborhoods Board – Dave Brook**
  - Meetings 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month, 6:30pm at NECN's office, 4815 NE 7<sup>th</sup> Ave.
  - Chris Tanner has officially resigned from this position. Daniel Pirofsky is resigned from the Board. Dan-Lerch Walters discussed a potential new Board member who might be a good fit for the position.
- **Planning for Spring General Membership Meeting – Dave Brook**
  - May 7, 2019 at Grace Church is reserved.
  - Dan suggests the Board consider potential appointments to the Board to fill out remaining terms, since elections are not until Fall.
  - Potential topics for the meeting
    - Heather Cook from 16<sup>th</sup> Ave. Farmers Market
    - TwentyTwenty Condos would be better in the Fall meeting when the building is open.
    - Parking is potentially a continuing topic.
    - Lloyd Center occupancy – one of DJ Heffernan's ideas was a panel on the state of retail in the neighborhood.
  - Discussion: Status of the theater parking lot and related development. Will the theater still move. Question about Marshall's. A board member heard that the music venue is still going in, they will be breaking ground. Discussed height limit and zoning at the residential locations, shorter 5 over 1 construction being cheaper than concrete. Discussed rental rates and vacancy levels, lease up periods. Discussed Grant Park Village next phase, the 28<sup>th</sup> & Sandy property, Burger King property, Gordon's Fireplace, QFC/Jackson's space, Pepsi blocks first phase, Comcast building for Lexus dealership, Sunshine Dairy project. Discussion about graffiti. Discussed the little telegraph building; Dave would like to see a public use there. Sunshine Dairy is slated for mixed-use. Mary Beth will look into the telegraph building.
- **Question about 28<sup>th</sup> & Halsey Project. Is there any news?**
  - There will be no parking on that project; the digging is for fire risers and other reasons. Discussed whether inclusionary zoning applies to the project.

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**Adjournment 8:32 p.m.**