

Northeast Neighbors (NeN) Board Meeting Minutes

April 3, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

Call to Order: 6:32 p.m.

Board: Anne Millhollen, Rick Edwards, John Faville, Neal Benson, Charlotte Pearce, Brian Martsfield

Minutes: 3/6/23 Board meeting minutes approved. Neal moved; Charlotte seconded.

Planning for May 9th general meeting

- Board members who will be there: Charlotte, Rick, Anne, John, Kevin
- Speakers: Fabio Andrade, Jason Davis confirmed; Sarah Medary invited; John Brown has asked to speak.
- Need to confirm Medary or replacement by April 10th or will need to postpone the meeting.

Managing the meeting

- Jesse will train backups for AV. John and Charlotte are willing to try.
- Rules: Questions but not comments can be directed to the speakers. Neighbor comments at the end.

Outreach

- Postcard needs to go to the printer to announce May 9th meeting: **April 10th**
- Reusable outreach materials should be produced this fiscal year; might not be allowed next year. Will have at least \$500 in the budget. Need to get approval first. Ideas: another banner, second meeting sign, maps.
- Expect a cut in outreach funds for FY24. We may find out end of April.
- Need to build our list of email subscribers, now 775. Blurb on postcard.

Committees

- Need to have clear mandate, neighborhood involvement, and board authorization.
- Vote to authorize Striker: John moved, Brian seconded. Unanimous approval.
- Brian will work with Kirstin on possible LTD/transit committee.
- Committees in other NHAs: transportation, social justice, preparedness, housing/homelessness
- Several other NHAs have social justice committees to consider issues of equity/hate/bias. The board will consider whether and how to open these topics within NeN.
- Promote neighbor involvement in general meetings and eNews.
- Suggestion from Rick: Don't call it a "committee." How about "team" or "crew" or "group"?

OECE/NLC

- April 15 workshops will be announced 4/6 (land use, social justice, robert's rules of order, preparedness, housing/homelessness. Should be available on video.
- Neighborhood liaison will be staffed internally, probably next month.

Updates

- Letter carrier food drive: four volunteers.
- Creekside Park: Rick's grandkids love it!
- Arterial bridge: Oregon Transportation Commission has set up April meetings and on-line open house to gather thoughts about possible ODOT projects. NeN will provide comments.

Striker Committee update

- Construction Manager suggests late summer/early fall for opening event. We will confirm date with him as work progresses. Need date to apply for Special Event Permit and 4J permission for use of lot for parking.
 - *Construction Manager: "I know there is interest from the neighborhood around when the park will open. I'm anticipating this should be mid-summer at the latest but that final date is TBD. Ideally any grand opening festivities would not be planned until late summer/ early fall for contingency purposes."*
- Ideas: A band, possibly sponsored by local business.
- Movie Night in an evening. (\$300 fee for large screen and movie through Parks and Open Space.)

Adjourned: 7:28 p.m.

