

King Neighborhood Association General Meeting  
King Neighborhood Facility, 4815 NE 7th Avenue  
<http://kingneighborhood.org>  
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November 9, 2011 – 6:30 to 8:30 pm

Jeff Scott moved to approve agenda. Katy Kanfer seconded. Unanimous approval.

Sirretta Hawkins introduced herself and her newly opened business, Pillow Talk Cafe and Mini Mart, located at 407 NE Mason. Sirretta's mart does not sell alcohol.

Officer Ryan Bren introduced Officer Jim Townley, who is the new liaison for King Neighborhood.

Officer Bren then gave an update on happenings in King:

- Officer Bren and other officers passing through the NE 9<sup>th</sup> and NE Alberta area continue to monitor the neighborhood in response to concern about loiterers.
- There are no new details concerning the shooting incident at 15<sup>th</sup> and Killingsworth in June.
- Alan Silver asked Officer Bren for input regarding a man living in a doorway on MLK near Safeway. A neighbor already contacted the property manager, who didn't express any concern with the situation, and is wondering what could be done at this point. Officer Bren explained that police are limited in escorting him off the property and Project Response has already made an effort to reach out to him. Officer Bren said he'd follow up with Project Response to see if there is any new info, will talk with PBoT to see if they can do anything, will also find out if the property owner is here or absentee.

Herman Bryant, executive director of the Miracles Club, came for the post-move 90 day check in with KNA about the good neighbor agreement held between the two organizations. Celeste Carey, crime prevention coordinator, explained there needed to be a GNA because it was a conditional use area (both residential and service organization). Herman and Celeste would like to schedule a meeting with anyone who would like to go over the agreement and look at issues like noise, trash, etc. Parking should not have been an issue because people who live there residential parking permission. Additionally, the Miracles Club has made arrangements to minimize the impact of parking during large functions. Celeste said she would contact the city attorney to see if the GNA could be posted on the KNA website. Herman hopes KNA and the Miracles Club can collaborate more openly in the future. On Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>, a fashion show was held at MC. Alan apologized for not following up about the GNA and said KNA is happy to move forward in working with the Miracles Club.

Alan announced that there will be an Alberta Street Bar Meeting at the Kennedy School Community Room on Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 6pm. The City's Liquor Licensing Program is working with the 53 liquor license establishments along Alberta as well as neighbors and neighborhood associations to create something called a collaborative bar agreement meant to decrease negative impacts from late night activities on the neighborhood. The City has already met twice with

the licensed establishments to brainstorm ideas - they are now looking for input from neighbors.

Austin Peterson, chair of Sabin Community Association, gave an update on SCA development projects. SCA received permission to create a community gathering space at the Sabin Triangle, a PBoT owned right of way, and is raising as much money in the next two years as possible. Architects Without Borders did the entire design for the space at no cost. SCA got a grant through the Bureau of Environmental Services for a “green street” NE Fremont and NE 10<sup>th</sup>, and is also trying to get crosswalks at 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 14<sup>th</sup>. Additionally, the continued success of the Sabin Community Orchard makes it a model for how to re-purpose unused property. SCA meets the second Monday of each month at 7pm at Whole Foods.

Emily Wilson thanked KNA for writing a letter of partnership for her NECN small grant application. Emily got an updated bench quote from the city—the estimate went from \$3000 to \$5000. Emily is considering dedicating the bench to Joe Wilson, who created the park. She plans to have fundraising completed by May of 2012.

Alan announced that Diego Gioseffi is attempting to apply for a grant from East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District to purchase plants for an area abutting the King School parking lot. A work party to weed and remove invasive species is scheduled for Sunday, November 27 at 11am. Another work party will be scheduled for spring planting.

Alan gave an update of the Portland Playhouse. KNA has agreed to be part of a problem solving meeting, facilitated by Celeste Carey. The meeting will be scheduled after PP has finished working with the city to reach an agreement for use the King School parking lot to alleviate parking issues in the neighborhood during show runs—likely in the next four weeks, according to Ariana Cunningham. At some point KNA will have a chance to respond to the permit application, which will probably go through sometime mid-December.

Dr. Jay Klusky talked about his 20+ years of work in the community educating parents and teens on skills for success. He has developed a series of trainings to help parents bring new skills to their kids including: self discipline, creativity and adaptability, vision, communication, entrepreneurial motivation, and knowing how to develop and control one's own attitudes. Contact Jay at [jay.klusky@gmail.com](mailto:jay.klusky@gmail.com)

Katy Asher made Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods announcements:

- NA board orientation/training at NECN: Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> from 6-9pm.
- SALT is hosting the Josiah Hill III Clinic Healthy Homes workshop at NECN: Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> at 7pm.
- NECN is offering another round of Solarize NE (bulk purchase of solar panels). They are seeking applicants to serve on a RFP Selection Committee, which will evaluate proposals based on defined project goals. Please contact NECN staff Gene Lee or Benjamin Adrian at 503-823-4575. Registration will be open late 2011 through Spring 2012. For updates on the Solarize project, please view the project website at [Solarize.NECoalition.org](http://Solarize.NECoalition.org).
- Land Use and Transportation meeting Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 7pm, at NECN.

- Safety and Livability Team meeting: Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, 6:30pm at NECN.
- Community Economic Development Council meeting: Thursday, November 17th, 8am - 9:30am at NECN.  
Thanks to everyone who attended the first Speaker Series Event – over 100 people in attendance. Planning another speaker in February.
- A draft of the Portland Plan has been released and a hardcopy is available to read in the NECN office. The city is seeking public comment on the draft.
- North Williams Community Forum will be held Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup> from 6-8:30pm at Immaculate Heart Church on N Williams and Stanton. The is designed so that community members and City leaders can explore together how issues of privilege and exclusion relate to the process of making decisions about investment in public infrastructure.
- Commissioner Amanda Fritz is holding a community forum called Portland’s 2012 State & Federal Legislative Agendas on Thursday, Nov. 10 from 6:30-8:00pm at the Portland Building, Room C.
- NECN holiday party, December 16<sup>th</sup> from 6-11pm. At Holladay Park.

David Lomax reminded everyone there is an opening for another KNA representative to the NECN board. See him for details.

There will be a presentation at next month's meeting about an idea for development of the open space at MLK and Alberta (part of Vanport).

The Blue Door Project, which was created to engage neighbors in helping neighbors take care of their lawns, received a small grant from NECN last year, but the grant funds have not yet been used. KNA has been informally invited by NECN to revise the project, but the funds would need to be used by December 31, 2011, which seemed unachievable. There was some conversation about two lots on NE 8<sup>th</sup> and NE Jarrett, with speculation about turning them into a community garden, orchard, or park.

Jeff Scott, KNA Treasurer

Katy Asher, NECN

Robin Franklin, Hughes Memorial UMC Church

Cyndi Natalello, PCRI

Officer Ryan Bren, Portland Police Bureau

Officer Jim Townley, Portland Police Bureau

Susan Zoller, King resident

Cynthia Thomas, King resident

Thomas Beiting, King resident

Emily Wilson, Humboldt resident

Aiyana Cunningham, Portland Playhouse

Jessica Antoine, King resident

Sirretta Hawkins-Kent, Pillow Talk Café/Mini-Mart

Alan Silver, KNA Chair

Austin Peterson, Sabin Community Association

Fred Zoller, King resident

Katy Kanfer, KNA Secretary

Van Bogner, KNA At-large Representative

Teri Phillips, KNA At-large Representative

Lyndsey Vaughan-Dieter, KNA At-large Representative

Jay Klosky, parent-teen educator

Herman Bryant, Miracles Club