KNA Monthly Board Meeting  
Wednesday, April 12, 2017 - 6:30 pm

Board Members Present, Alan Silver, Andrew Newman, Matt Anderson, Diego Gioseffi, Derwin Cunningham  
Neighbors present: JR Heard, Margaret O'Hartigan, Stephanie Sanchez, Dylan Byrnes

6:38 Meeting called to order, Introductions and introduction of meeting agenda

6:42 Agenda proposed to be approved by Alan, Derwin seconded. Four approved, one abstain.

6:45 Alan introduced proposal to use Emerson House for KNA meetings for possible future meetings; can use King School mtg space for larger meetings

Propose using the land use meeting for a trial run in the Emerson House.

Alan says location has a steep driveway, Diego asked if there would be an ADA issue. Margaret asked about parking and Andrew asked about bike parking.

Derwin proposed doing Land use meeting at the Emerson house and deciding after that if it would be a good fit for general meeting. Alan will call to make sure it is available for that meeting.

6:50 Alan proposed appointing Demian and Anjala to the working group along with Emily to the by-law working committee. Matt Seconded. Alan asked for discussion: Margaret O. shared concerns regarding possible reintroduction to the same possible issues that arose before with a closed door discussion of by-law changes. Diego reiterated the lack of interest, more-so than the hiding of agenda. Alan confirmed that. Margaret wants the proposal to be written to the KNA website for members to see before they come to the meeting to vote.

Motion carried with all board members present – Anjala to head by-laws committee as noted last month, and Emily and Demian appointed as committee members.

6:58 – Alan introduced members to rules of board meetings (voting, participation).

6:58 – Egg hunt – Alan will update after it occurs. Volunteers are stepping up to organize it. Alan is asking for approval for potluck in association with Vernon NA. Asked for approval to move forward and got tacit approval from board.

7:00 – Alan would like to have Marilyn Mauch of the NE Backpack Lunch Program at June’s monthly meeting, to thank her for her service as she retires from the program, and present $50 gratitude gift to the Backpack program. Approved unanimously.

7:09 – Movies in the Park – August 12, Kubo and 2 strings – Sponsorship available; event cost is about $1200. Will look for sponsors for neighborhood event.

7:12 – neighborhood newsletter is almost available to be picked up and passed out to the neighborhood. Talks about the May meeting along with the neighborhood cleanup. $150 to print info. Alan asked for a consent to print up the handbill after it is cleaned up and spend the money to do it. Not sure of the costs.

7:17 – Oregon Humanities conversations. Four events spread over spring and summer. $300 for the space; the NA will try to raise money to cover as much of the costs as possible.

7:20 Alan propose agreeing to $300 cost for four Oregon Humanities Conversations presentations rentals at Vanport Square Studios. Seconded by Andrew. Unanimous approval.
7:30 Diego discussing giving our park permit to National Night Out and/or Good in the Hood for possible use of King School Park. The original discussion of the permit was to make sure neighborhood stakeholders had access to the permit. Alan suggest someone write something up on the availability of the permit and get it into the newsletter.

7:37 Alan - Seven out of nine board positions are currently filled and there are three positions coming up for elections. Positions At Large #2, #4 and Treasurer. Diego talked about board members not needing definitive skill set, etc., but passion and willingness to learn.

7:43 Alan has asked NECN to hire Katy Asher to oversee May’s board elections. No word yet.

7:43 – Stephanie – Green King update – Who we are and what we are doing. Redoing the landscape and building the track. Applying for a 20k grant from Nike. King PTA and Green King will be doing a joint venture to do some irrigation and applying for a $5000 place making grant from Metro to do an event or series of events to build community engagement.

Looking for volunteers-coordinators, looking for people who like connecting people. Alan asked for a list of types of volunteers needed so they can be posted on the newsletter.

7:52 – Alan: would like to reimburse Margaret for flyers she sent out to churches and places to notify for KNA board elections.

7:53 – Alan: city has proposed eliminating graffiti abatement program; ONI encouraging folks to ask city council to expand graffiti removal budget rather than eliminate it.

8:03 – Matt makes a motion that KNA send letter urging city council to continued support of abatement program. Diego seconded, 3 yeas, 1 nay, and 1 abstain. Alan will write the letter and send it in, and have it posted on website.

8:05 – Land Use committee meeting:
The committee discussed the need for sending suggestions to development company well in advance of design submission to the city, with suggestions on design.

April’s land use meeting: we’ll be joined by Dan Bower, Portland Streetcar director, to talk about possible extensions of the streetcar into inner NE.

Web design address – JR does web designs and said he would be willing to do the internal redesign as long as others are able to prioritize and explain what should be captured/visible on it.

8:15 Dylan was asking questions re: neighborhood watch information.

8:18 Diego asking for approval for reimbursement for Stephanie, for monies spent at public events hosted by Green King; seconded by Alan. Approved by all board members present.

8:19 Mtg adjourned