Meeting Attendees

Voting Members
Donn Dennis, Concordia
Mariah Dula, Vice Chair, Alameda
Jere Fitterman, Eliot
Sean Green, Sabin
Kym Jeka, Humboldt
Dennis Kennedy, Parliamantarian Woodlawn
Shirley Minor, At-Large
Luke Norman, At-Large
Paul Van Orden, Chair
Mary Beth Christopher, Sullivan’s Gulch Alternate

Other Attendees
Ankhur Dholakia
Jennifer Jardee-Borquist
Keith Jones
Brooke Kavanaugh
Margaret O’Hartigan

Staff
Adam Lyons, Executive Director
Laura Becker, Planning and Operations Manager

Meeting called to order at 6:40 pm

Review and Approval of Minutes
The board reviewed the May board meeting minutes. Sean moved to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Luke, approved.

Executive Director Report
Adam presented an Annual Executive Director report highlighting NECN’s work over the last year. Accomplishments include increasing distribution of Hey Neighbor, supporting community groups through small grants, increasing our fiscal sponsor projects, and creating the successful CleanStartPDX pilot with Central City Concern.

Financial Report
Laura presented the May financial report. NECN’s financial position remains strong, and we still expect to spend down our ONI grant and end the year in the black. Laura will present a ‘soft close’ of the fiscal year at the July meeting.

Better Housing by Design (BHD) Letter – The board reviewed a letter in response to the Proposed BHD Draft. After discussion, Mariah moved to remove all language regarding parking minimums from the letter, seconded by Kym, five in favor, five opposed. Motion Failed.

After further discussion, Luke moved to approve the letter as presented, seconded by Mariah, eight in favor, two opposed. Motion Approved.
Neighborhood Association Appointments
Dennis presented the slate of neighborhood association appointments. New nominees spoke a bit about their background and interest and serving on the board. Dennis moved to accept the appointments, seconded by Mariah, approved.

- Alameda - Mariah Dula
- Concordia - Donn Dennis
- Eliot - Jere Fitterman
- Humboldt - Kym Jeka
- King - Jennifer Jardee-Borquist
- Lloyd - Keith Jones
- Sabin - Sean Green
- Sullivan’s Gulch - Chris Tanner
- Woodlawn Representative - Dennis Kennedy

At-Large Representative Elections
Dennis presented the slate of at-large representatives. New nominees spoke a bit about their background and interest and serving on the board. As Nell Parker was not able to attend Sean moved to wait until she was present to elect her, but to approve the rest of slate, seconded by Mariah, approved.

- Ankur Dholakia (Woodlawn business owner)
- Shirley Minor (Woodlawn resident)
- Luke Norman (Sullivan’s Gulch resident)
- Paul Van Orden (Eliot resident)

Officer Elections
Dennis Kennedy volunteered to serve as Chair Pro-Tem for officer elections. After discussion about each open Officer position, Mariah Dula volunteered to run as Chair, Sean Green volunteered to run as Vice Chair, Jere Fitterman volunteered to run as Secretary, Kym Jeka volunteered to run as Treasurer and Dennis Kennedy volunteered to run as Parliamentarian. Daniel moved to elect the slate, seconded by Paul, approved.

Meeting Adjorned
Minutes taken by Laura Becker