Minutes/Notes
Oakland Heritage Alliance Board of Directors Meeting
February 6, 2024 at 5:30 PM

Mission Statement: Oakland Heritage Alliance is a non-profit membership organization which advocates the protection, preservation, and revitalization of Oakland’s architectural, historic, cultural and natural resources through publications, education, and direct action.

Board Members Present: Charles Bucher, Alison Finlay, Mary Harper, Daniel Levy, Amelia Marshall, Kathryn Hughes, Naomi Schiff, Feleciai Favroth, Linda Taylor

Absent: Tom Haw

Announcements: Shifting of the agenda

Regular Business

1. Minutes from January 9, 2024 approved with corrections

2. Administrative Report, Reviewed by Daniel Levy
   ○ ACTION ITEM: Include in future reports a list of people who have dropped off

3. Financial Report, Feleciai Favroth
   ○ Goal to create transparency of OHA’s financials
   ○ ACTION ITEM: Next meeting, Feleciai will share December & January numbers

Committee Reports

Preservation, Naomi Schiff
- Landmarks Committee (CCA) - Landmarks did not address the DEIR. The developers did a presentation where Kirk P. and Naomi spoke. Comment period extended to March 12th.
- Moss House - Naomi and Linda had a meeting, which Naomi will email everyone about.
- Main Library - Naomi will draft a letter.
  ○ ACTION ITEM: The board to send Naomi their thoughts to include in the letter.
- 16th Street Station - A tour of the station is planned for March. Still working on the National Registry and no word on the National Trust’s 11 Most Endangered Places.
- Children’s Hospital - Meeting coming up with the UC Regents.

Walking Tours, Alison Finlay
- Leslie G. interested in conducting 2 tours.
- The Jewish Cemetery being another possible tour.

Newsletter, Naomi Schiff
- We’re at the proofreading stage, and the next issue should be ready to go to print in a few days.

Plaques, Mary Harper
- Mary to talk with Paul B. about sports plaques. Still trying for Lower Broadway.
- Discussion around making plaques a grant program or some kind of 2-tiered program.
PIP, Amelia Marshall
- No report

Lectures, Charles Bucher
- Charles to contact Theresa W.
- Gray B. may do something more on general history via Zoom.

Informational Items
1. Past Presidents Recognition, Amelia Marshall
   - Mary was recognized for her leadership during COVID and helping the office staff.
   - Mary, Alison, and Naomi were acknowledged with gifts from Amelia.

2. Amelia C. Farewell, Mary Harper
   - Appreciation for sticking around for so long and putting together great annual appeal letters and setting up OHA with Neon. Mary presented her with a gift.

New Business
1. Banking Resolution, Mary Harper
   - Authorizing officers to attend to banking matters.
   - Motion passed with 9 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent.

2. Compensating tour leaders, Amelia Marshall
   - Resolution to pay Chinatown walking tour leader approved.
   - Mary and Linda will be assisting Alison on the Walking Tour committee.
   - Continued discussion around the topic of compensating tour leaders, which is to be continued.

Additional Items
Proposed luncheon event at Planting Justice Nursery. To be discussed.