

Lexington-Hamline Community Council

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

9/27/2021 at 7:00 PM

1191 Ashland Avenue, backyard

Present: Amy (Lucas) Riley, K.C. Sager, Dave Clements, Marisa McDaniel, Amy Gundermann, Jesse Hennem, Ashley Rashid, Dawn Puroway, Paul Busch, Pat Sullivan, Sarah Murphy

Excused: Kent Treichel, Lynne Heuton

1. Call to Order - 7:10 pm
2. Confirm Approval of Aug 30, 2021 Minutes, motion by Marisa, seconded by Paul & Approve Sept 27, 2021 Agenda, motion by Paul and seconded by Jesse, approved.
3. Rethinking I-94 Presentation - Debbie Meister, Neighborhoods First! (guest)
 - a. The letter about Rethinking I-94 includes many priorities of our work as a Community Council including safety of pedestrians, bikers, transit riders, and vehicles that use the Hamline, Griggs, and Lexington bridges and on-ramps to I-94.
 - b. Motion to endorse the letter about Rethinking I-94 by Sarah, seconded by Jesse, approved
4. A Good Time for the Truth book study, chapter 5 - Dawn
5. Reports
 - a. Executive Director's Report - Amy
 - i. Tot Lot - Amy had to contact the park department many times to come clean up the Tot Lot
 - ii. New rapid bus line - stops are mostly set
 1. Neighbor on Selby has a petition to move the Hamline and Selby stop to Hamline and Marshall, publicize information and the petition in our social media and e-newsletter
 - iii. Equity discussion from last month - Dave and Dawn will work on a statement
 - iv. We discussed continuing as the fiscal agent with Gordon Parks
 1. We will ask that GP wait until a staff person is in place to receive funds
 2. Possibly charge a fee in the future for being the fiscal agent

3. If this program continues, we would want to review the contract with Gordon Parks yearly.
- v. Neighborhood Award Winners! -- see end of the minutes for winners
- b. Committee Reports
 - i. Exec - talked about the transition with a new Executive Director
 - ii. Personnel - Ashley
 1. Motion to approve applications for the board by Leo Rubiano and Amber James, by Lucas, seconded by K.C., approved
 2. Motion to approve the updated Personnel Policy Manual by Sarah, seconded by Jesse, approved
 3. ED Job search timeline discussion
 4. Job position, hours, and compensation - we need to decide this before we can post the position
 - iii. Finance - Paul
 1. Joe started a preliminary budget
 2. Budget depends on ED's salary
 - iv. Fundraising - Jesse
 1. Wait to do online Silent Auction until late winter (maybe around the time of the Spaghetti Dinner)
 - v. Building Community - Lucas - see written report
 - vi. Crime & Safety - (written report)
- c. UPDC Report - Kent - no report
6. New Business - none
7. Adjourn Meeting, motion to adjourn by Dawn, seconded by Paul, approved 9:20

Respectfully submitted by Dawn Puroway

Next LHCC Board Meeting/Annual Meeting: October 25, 2021 from 7-9 PM, virtual

Upcoming Events: Chili Picnic - October 3rd from 5-6:30 PM Under the Hamline Bridge

Linda Feinberg Award

Is given in memory of Linda, who died in 1982, after years of service to the Council, both as a member of its Board and the Dunning Task Force. It recognizes an individual who significantly contributed to the Lex-Ham neighborhood and to the community at large.

Terry Mitchell

Community Service Award

Is given to Lex-Ham residents whose outstanding activities have made the neighborhood a community of which we are all proud to be a part.

Yahye Awad

Jones Family

Good Neighbor Award

Is given to an individual or organization who played a major role in supporting the Lexington-Hamline neighborhood as a “great” place to live.

Pam Strom

John Garafola

Laura Treichel

Richard Norris Award

Is given to a resident who has made notable contributions to the musical and cultural life of the community. Richard, who died in 1995, was a longtime active resident in Lex-Ham as director of the Lex-Ham Community Band, a member of the Board and the Dunning Management Committee. A music Professor at Concordia and an avid jazz trombonist, he performed in several local ensembles.

Urban Landreman

Mitch Boerner

Betty Dean Award

Recognizes some neighborhood youth with an exemplary service record. It is named in honor Betty who died in 1984 after many years of work on behalf of Lex-Ham, including service on the Board and the Dunning Management Committee. Betty was responsible for originating the Council's Youth Involvement Project, which became Youth Express.

Youth Group at Skyline for helping with ongoing food distributions

Outstanding Community Partner Award

Trust for Public Land – new park