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Minutes–Board of Directors

Thursday, May 12, 2016, 6:00p.m.

Francis Parker School Library, 4201 Randolph Street, San Diego

Call to Order - 6:00 pm

Administrative Business

1. Attendance - Board of Directors: Helen Rowe Allen, Lauren Carter, David Espinosa, Penny Giacalone, Anthony Nyikos, Bob Rast, Leah Shuchter, Belinda Smith
Staff: Carol Schultz
Guest(s): Ginny Ollis, Carlson and Ollis Real Estate Specialists
2. Approval of Minutes
 - Dec. Board Mtg. not yet done
 - Mar. Board Mtg. Motion to approve - B. Rast, seconded D. Espinosa; approved.
 - Apr. Town Hall Mtg. Motion to approve - B. Rast, seconded D. Espinosa; approved.
 - Helen suggested two ways to speed up the public comments at meetings: limit non-scheduled public comments to two minutes at Town Hall Meetings and five minutes at Board Meetings; and ask public officials’ representatives to set out written materials ahead of meetings and pick up residuals afterward.
 - The Board agreed b consensus to adopt these measures.
3. Acceptance of the financial report. Motion to accept by B. Rast, seconded by D. Espinosa; approved unanimously.

Board of Directors 2016
Helen Rowe Allen
Gina Barnes
Lauren Carter
David Espinosa(Vice President)
Sharon Gehl (Treasurer)
Penny Giacalone (Secretary)
Sarah Goltz
Anthony Nyikos
Bob Rast
Leah Shuchter
Belinda Smith (President)

Comments on Non-Agenda Items

- *Public* - Ginny Ollis stated that there is a need for a Mission Hills Community Center and suggested that the soon to be old library site would be perfect. She suggested that MHTC be the driving force encouraging the community to purchase the site from the city. The Board said they would discuss the idea.
- *Neighborhood Organizations* - Leah stated that MH Garden Club had its Garden Walk on May 7;
Helen reported that MH Heritage had a successful focus at Uptown Planners, especially in regards to the density issue; Anthony stated that MH BID is planning a Cyber Security Seminar in Sept. and MHTC will partner with the BID in the presentation.
- *Board Members* -
 - Sharon Gehl submitted a written Uptown Planners report reflecting her concerns over *de facto* Historic Sites where residents have no controlling vote and density issues. Belinda suggested meeting with Barry Hager, President of MHH, and inviting him to present MH Heritage’s position concerning these issues to the Board. C. Schultz and B. Smith will meet with B. Hager and Jim Reily. Sharon Gehl will be asked to circulate Historic District maps to Board members.
 - Belinda shared that our GoFundMe concerts campaign received \$1,345 as of May 12.

501(c)(3) Incorporation

- Sean Schwerdtfeger, Esq., has offered to act as *pro bono* legal counsel for incorporation of a 501(c)(3) and filing for IRS determination of tax exemption. Anthony Nyikos volunteered to be the responsible party for applications related to the 501(C)(3) nonprofit. D. Espinosa made the motion to accept Anthony's offer, it was seconded by L. Carter and unanimously approved.
- A. Nyikos also offered to cover payment of the filing fees estimated to be \$1,000. Motion to accept the offer was made by B. Rast, seconded by D. Espinosa and unanimously approved.
- Belinda explained that we are creating a 501(c)(3) that will be known as the MHTC Foundation, have its own separate Board and act as the umbrella for the Concerts Committee and other fundraising, charitable causes. The 501(c)4 will continue as the MHTC, having its own Board and oversee such things as Town Halls and community outreach and involvement projects.
- Carol Schultz will contact Sean to get a timeline for all of the above 501(C)(3) events.

July 4 BBQ Preparations

- Though only 3 contestants have signed up so far, trustees agreed to continue the efforts of the BBQ contest and review progress at the June 9 Board meeting to determine whether enough contestants have signed up. More contestants will be solicited on our site. Leah will "clean up" our BBQ Contest poster and forward it to David and Anthony who will post them in different locations.
- Motion to spend \$1,000 on the meat needed for the BBQ was made by A. Nyikos, seconded by D. Espinosa and unanimously approved.

Membership Sign-ups at JULY 4 BBQ

- Anthony and David will arrange for a WIFI/mobile hotspot setup at the BBQ for Internet access.
- Belinda, Anthony and David will conference to discuss the best procedure of renewing current membership and signing up new members. Any Action Item regarding this issue has been tabled until the June Board Meeting.

Updates and Continuing Business

- A Motion to ratify the actions of the Events Committee related to hiring the concert performers and the sound/staging vendor, soliciting donations and sponsors, publicizing the concert series, and organizing concert logistics was made by B. Rast and seconded by L. Carter. Motion was approved by the majority with Helen Rowe Allen abstaining.
- County grants will be made after July 1, which is the date on which the City will accept grant applications for the upcoming fiscal year.
- Board Members were asked to bring one or more bottle(s) of wine to the May 16 Blue Ribbon Committee Reception to be held at Helen Rowe Allen's home to help defray costs.
- Belinda Smith, President, presented a follow-up on the branding workshop, stated that the intern search was unsuccessful but that the Candidate Forum at the Town Hall was a success. Leah will post the new branding information on our website.
- Executive Director, Carol Schultz, said that she will e-mail lapsed members and reviewed the IT consultant retainer status. The 3-hour monthly retainer, at a cost of less than \$240, seems to be appropriate for the work needed to be done. She also reviewed the 2016 priorities (attachment G for May's agenda).

8:15 Adjournment

Submitted by Penny Giacalone, Secretary