

RNA Minutes 3/12/18

by Brendon Haggerty and Rob Mumford

Recording of meeting at: [<https://richmondpx.org/monthly-meetings/>]

Board members present: Jan, Jessica, Lauren, Brian, Allen, Erik, Matt, Jonathan, Adam, Brendon, Susan, Heather, Rob, Heather (by phone)

Board members absent: Chris Flint Chatto

Others present: Doug Klotz, Debbie Hochhalter, Denise Hare

Announcements

Adam Meltzer resigned his seat on the board and shared his appreciation for his time on the board.

Allen Field announced that the summer movie will be Friday August 10th, *Kubo and the Two Strings*

Denise requested that the board send a note of thanks to Salt and Straw for taking good care of trash and managing the crowds. **VOTE:** Allen moved to send such a letter to be drafted by Erik. Matt seconded. Passed unanimously

Susan shared that her daughter won a competition to create a flavor at Salt and Straw, which will feature "Taco Cat" during April

Heather announced the availability of a discussion draft on Community Notification & Public Involvement project the city is proposing. Comments due 4/23, public event March 22 at 6:00-6:45 at Kenton Fire House. Details available [here](https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/76335).<https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/76335>

Better Housing By Design

Neighbors discussed this issue at the Land Use and Transportation meeting on 3/8. Matt gave a summary of the changes. The board discussed a letter drafted based on the discussion at the March 8 meeting, which Matt shared before the meeting. Jessica moved that we send the letter, Jan seconded. **VOTE:** In Favor: Rob, Susan, Jonathan, Brendon, Jan, Jessica, Lauren, Erik, Matt Opposed: Brian, Allen, Heather, Abstaining: Adam **PASSED**

Minority position from Allen: not enough time for consideration, would like presentation by PBOT/BPS, underlying email discussion, no need to weigh in at this moment

Minority position from Heather: community hasn't had enough opportunity to weigh in

Susan asked that we add a request for BPS/Bill Cunningham

[Rob Mumford graciously took over minutes after Brendon was called away]

PBOT Parking Permit Program

Allen Field presented a letter to the board to state that RNA is interested in the Permit Program. **VOTE** Adam Meltzer moved to accept permit program letter and send to PBOT, Allen Field seconded. All in Favor except, Abstain: Susan Beal **PASSED**

Election Committee

Matt Otis presented and the board discussed election committee business.

Committee Goals:

1. Maximize voter turnout: 1.8% of neighborhood participates.
2. Create better ways to get to know the candidates
3. Prevent ways people try to game the system
4. Recruit non-traditional candidates

The board discussed the four points above, followed by a straw poll by Erik to see if we need to move on to Committee Reports. Moved on.

Allen announced his candidacy for this year's Board elections

Allen passed around to the Board and audience excerpts (see attached) from Fairvote.org's critique of STAR voting:

http://www.fairvote.org/explaining_fairvote_s_position_on_star_voting

Committee Reports

1. Treasurer: Jonathan King. Let's spend the \$1500 funds from SEUL towards printing the newsletter. 2 previous newsletters cost ~\$2000 to print. **VOTE** Motion to spend SEUL comms funds on newsletter. Adam, Seconded. **PASSED** unanimously.
2. Richmond Cleanup: JK gave update
3. Land Use: MO updated the LU section of the website
4. Liquor Licenses: Allen: nothing to report
5. Community Spaces: Allen: nothing to report
6. Graffiti Removal: Adam; Planning mtg at Saint Honore March 14th 7-9pm

7. Division Design Committee: HFC: inaudible over speaker phone, please refer to audio recording.
8. Richmond Ready: Callie: Not present
9. Hawthorne Business Assoc. Rep: Liz Potter: not present
10. SEUL Rep: Brian H. and Erik share seat, alternating SEUL mtgs. Erik missed SEUL mtg, nothing to report
11. SEUL Land Use: Matt: nothing to report
12. Tree Committee: Allen: nothing to report
13. Richmond Newsletter: .Rob: April 1 articles deadline
14. Division Clinton Business Assoc.: vacant

Approval of meeting minutes

November Meeting Minutes

VOTE Jonathan moved to approve Nov minutes, Rob Seconded. Unanimous **PASSED**

February Meeting Minutes

VOTE Allen Field moved to approve, Jonathan Seconded. Matt, Jan abstained. **PASSED** unanimously.

Feedback

Denise reflected on her time on the board when minority positions were always included in RNA letters and supports the practice.