

## Richmond Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 12, 2023, 7 – 9 PM pm

Central Christian Church, 1844 SE Cesar Chavez Blvd and via Zoom

Minutes taker: Allen Field

Audio link:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1zn3GfIOzqIHqV74N9Z5FgWualvYV4pu8/view?usp=sharing>

**7 pm start, Quorum present**

**Board Members Present:** Debby Hochhalter, Allen Field, Brian Hochhalter, Heather Flint Chatto, Claire Cofsky, Simon Kipersztok, Ann Sandvig

**Absent Board Members:** Richard Bruno, JoAnne Knowles,

**Others Present:** Loni Gray, Claude Sakr, Dennis Hopkins, Vinnie Vansaghi, Renee Hendricks

**Ground Rules/Purpose:** Debby read Ground Rules and Purpose

**Land Acknowledgement:** Heather read the Land acknowledgment from [website richmondpx.org](http://richmondpx.org).

**Adoption of May Minutes:** May minutes not completed, set over to June.

**Announcements:**

- Vinnie Vannsaghid announced and described ACS, American Cultural Exchange Service.
- Heather announced there is a new Affordable Housing working group in the Land Use Committee
- Claire invited the board to a July 9 potluck at her hose

**Old Business:** Debbie met with Paul Leistener to discuss the board retreat.

**Police Report:** No officer present

### **AGENDA**

1. **Community Needs Assessment by Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare:** Mae Holsapple Described Cascadia and community needs assessment project and took questions,
2. **Appoint Officers, Representative and Committee Chairs:** Debby announced that all candidates won reelection. Under procedure set out in Election Standing Rules, Board voted to appoint Debbie and Chair, Simon as Treasurer, Allen as Secretary, and Allen as SEUL Representative on motion and second. Simon was absent but voted in absentia. By all indications, the board assumed he was ok with continuing as Treasurer. During Committee reports, board reappointed all existing committee chairs and other representatives to continue for another year.
3. **Richmond Cleanup and Household Hazardous Waste events:** Allen summarized the Cleanup and HHW event and went over attendance, collection, and revenue/expenses numbers. We had over 100 more vehicles than last year, which was a record year. Net was (-655) not taking into account Metro \$5,000 sponsorship. We had excess of \$1,500 from last year so it balances out well from last year. Discussion about the successes of the event and how to improve branding of RNA. Board very much appreciated use of church. Brian made motion, second by Ann to donate \$500 to Central Christian Church.

4. **September 16 Fall Household Hazardous Waste event:** Allen explained genesis of idea for fall event and combining it with a food drive. Ann and Allen are not able to attend a 9/16 event so Allen will check with Metro if other dates are available.
5. **Board Retreat:** Debbie explained that the idea is to have a 2-hour event during a lunch or dinner with Paul Leistner facilitating. She polled the board on some dates but none worked so she will send out a Doodle poll.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- **Treasurer:** Simon had emailed bank balances to Board prior to the meeting.
- **RNA Newsletter:** Editor Christina could not attend the meeting. Allen screenshared the Newsletter Calendar and Guidelines and went over the dates. Heather asked if it's possible to put in timelines/deadlines during 3-week period the Editor is formatting the newsletter. Allen will pose the idea to Christina.
- **Community Spaces:** Allen said nothing to report.
- **SEUL Rep:** Allen had previously emailed board a list of upcoming events and seminars being put on by SEUL.
- **Cleanup:** Allen - Already covered.
- **Richmond Ready:** Position vacant.
- **Sustainability and Climate Change:** Heather explained that committee will be combined with Land Use. [Board vote needed to do that and rename it.]
- **Land Use and Transportation:** Heather – Will meet quarterly and will have an Affordable Housing workgroup.
- **PDX Main Street Design Initiative Rep.:** Heather reported that they are working on installing a Game Library kiosk in Directors Park downtown.
- **HBBA:** Debby - no report given. Heather mentioned that she went to HBBA strategic planning meeting and a report will likely be issued.
- **Liquor Licenses/GNAs:** Allen - Nothing to report.
- **DEIA:** Position vacant.
- **Houselessness:** Claire - No report given.

**Meeting adjourned 9:05**