

Richmond Neighborhood Association
June 13, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Minutes Taker: Allen Field

Meeting started 6:33, quorum present

Board Members Present: Heather Flint Chatto, Simon Kipersztok, Allen Field, Debby Hochhalter, Brian Hochhalter, Denise Hare, Claire Cofsky, Hope Townsell, Ann Sandvig, Richard Bruno, Matt Tucker

Board Members Absent: Madeleine Anderson-Clark, Kamal Belkhaty, Joanne Knowles

Others present: Robin Denburg, Asha Birmingham, Hilary Vreeland, Rosy Zavala, Leslie Crehan, Pamela Kambur, Midge Pierce, Maggie Skenderian, Tina Kimmey, Isaac Adams, Brian Squillace, Nanci Champlin

Land Acknowledgement: Heather read the Land Acknowledgment from the [website richmondpdx.org](http://richmondpdx.org).

Adoption of May Minutes: Brian motioned, Claire second to adopt. Unanimous vote to adopt with Ann and Matt abstaining

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Maggie Skenderian announced there is a Community Advisory Committee (CAC) for the Peaceful Villa development project

Old Business: Nothing brought up

Crime/Safety Report: No officer in attendance

AGENDA ITEMS

1. **Peaceful Villa-** April Berg, Leslie Crehan, Pamela Kambur, Maggie Skenderian, Isaac Adams, Brian Squillace took turns explaining the redevelopment project. They introduced themselves and gave an overview of the redevelopment plan of the affordable housing complex on SE Clinton between at 46th and 47th Aves. There are currently 70 units. Plans are to develop the 4-acre site to accommodate 180 units. They are in the early schematic design phase. A CAC was formed to get input from a variety of interested parties and stakeholders. They would like an RNA Rep. on the CAC. To get on the email list for CAC meetings contact Pamela Kambur, pamela.kambur@homeforward.org. Construction is expected to begin 2024 with residents returning 2026. No onsite parking is required under zoning regs. Division Mainstreet Guidelines don't apply but they will still look to them for guidance.

Allen moved, Simon 2nd for Heather to be the RNA Rep to the CAC. Passed unanimously.

2. **Presentation About SEUL** – Nanci Champlin, Executive Director, gave an overview of SEUL, explaining existing programs and new ones. She gave the times for the various SEUL

committee meetings. Civic life will start requiring NAs to take demographic information on attendees at meetings. SEUL will start sending surveys to NAs a few times a year. Debby asked about hybrid meetings, where some people attend in person and some via Zoom. SEUL is investing in technology and will put together a tool kit. They will try to make a conference room available at SEUL for hybrid meetings.

3. Appoint Officers, Committee Chairs, RNA Reps/Liaisons

- **Officers:**
 - **Chair:** Heather nominated Debby, Simon 2nd. Vote to appoint unanimous
 - **Vice Chair:** no one sought position
 - **Secretary:** Simon nominated, Brian 2nd to nominate Allen. Vote to appoint unanimous
 - **Treasurer:** Brian nominated, Matt 2nd for Simon as Treasurer. Vote to appoint unanimous
- **RNA Newsletter-** Matt confirmed as Editor
- **Community Spaces** – Ann nominated, Simon 2nd for Allen as RNA Rep on Community Spaces. Vote to appoint unanimous
- **SEUL Rep:** Simon nominated, Brian 2nd for Allen as SEUL Rep. Richard self-nominated, Ann 2nd for Richard as SEUL Rep. Straw poll taken: 6 for Allen, 2 for Richard. Simon moved, Heather 2nd for Allen and SEUL Rep., with Richard as Alternate. Unanimous vote.
- **Annual Tree planting-** Allen self nominates, Ann 2nd for Allen to be the RNA Tree Rep. Vote to appoint unanimous
- **Richmond Ready-** No one appointed. Position Vacant
- **Sustainability and Climate Change-** Heather self-nominate, Allen 2nd. Vote to appoint unanimous
- **Land Use and Transportation** – Vacant
- **PDX Main Nancie Street Design Initiative Rep.-** Heather self-nominate, Brian 2nd. Vote to appoint unanimous
- **HBBA** – Vacant
- **Liquor Licenses/GNAs** – Brian nominated, Simon 2nd for Allen. Vote to appoint unanimous
- **DEIA** – Vacant
- **Houselessness** – Claire self-nominated, Brian 2nd. Vote to appoint unanimous

4. **Board Orientation** – Allen gave overview of RNA’s status as OR nonprofit but not a 501(c)(3), fiduciary duty requirements, basic rules of ONI Standards Open Meeting rules and RNA forms: Donation & Letters of Support, Letter Writing Best Practices, SEUL’s Dos and Don’ts on Voting and Discussions, RNA Code of Ethics

5. **Future Meeting Logistics** – Debby asked if people are ready to go back to in-person meetings in Sept. Sentiment was it’s too early to decide. But several people wanted to change meeting to 7-9pm. Straw poll taken: 5 for 7-9pm, 2 for 6:30-8:30, 2 abstain. Allen moved, Heather 2nd, for 7-9pm meeting time. Passed unanimously.

6. May 21 Richmond Spring Cleanup Report – Set over to July meeting

7. Vote on Payment for August 27 Movie in Sewallcrest Park: Laya and the Last Dragon

Allen gave background on movie application from 2020 for Hidden Figures. Parks & Rec honored application for this year but changed movie to 3rd choice pick of Laya and Last Dragon but did not consult with Allen, the Community Spaces Rep. \$1,000 cost. In past Sunnyside and HAND co-sponsored at \$200 each. This year Allen will seek \$300 each from SNA and HAND.

Allen moved, Heather 2nd, for RNA to pay \$1,000 to city for movie. Passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – no committee reports given

Meeting adjourned 8:33. Next RNA Meeting June 13, 2022