

Dupont Circle Citizens Association Board of Directors Meeting May 28, 2020

Present: (via videoconference) Glenn Engelmann, Susan Volman, Karol Stanley, Marcy Logan,

Kerry Kemp, Lance Salonia, Phil Carney, Gabrielle Williams, Barry Karas, Charlie Ellis

Absent: Jen Kane, Lance Salonia

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm

Approval of Minutes

Susan moved to approve the April 21, 2020 minutes. Marcy seconded the motion, all members in favor.

President's Report

- Fox and Hounds / Trio Glenn had been communicating with the lawyer for the Dragon's Ascent approval. Prior to ANC meeting the lawyer rejected Glenn's suggested edits to the side letter offer. In the end Glenn worked with ANC and others to amend the license for only two units and specifically for Fox & Hound and not Trio. The restriction will carry forward with the license if the unit is sold.
- Nominations No new nominations were submitted, vote will move forward tomorrow.
- Encampments Glenn reached back out to DHS and asked for the promised follow up. It did generate a response which will be shared in the eblast tomorrow. They said the triangle park between P and Mass. was being addressed b/c it blocks a fire exit.
- Homelessness Nick Manning, incoming Board member has been engaging with people on message boards about the issue. Glenn recommended that DCCA could reignite our lapsed committee on homelessness to talk about what ways if any we can effectively contribute to the solution.

Treasurer's Report

• Susan circulated the treasurer's report in advance of the meeting.

COVID-19 Donations

Decision was made to recommend the allocation of \$10,000 across nine local groups.
Recommendation will be presented to members who will vote on whether DCCA can move forward.

ACTION ITEM: If approved Glenn and Susan will coordinate donations, Erica will add groups to the website and to a Membership Meeting presentation/vote.

Committee Reports and Business

1. House Tour Planning: Discussion about alternatives to the house tour to accommodate for COVID. Marcy would like someone to collect new stories about homes and publish in a booklet for sale/walking tour. Some concerns were raised about timeline.

ACTION ITEMS: House Tour Committee will continue to discuss viable options. Erica will add request for personal stories to eblast.

Programming

- June- Mary Cheh
- October- Congresswoman Norton
- November- Karl Racine

Other Business

- 17th Street Study: On hold at this time.
- **Pride:** On hold at this time. Susan has been in contact regarding a refund/hold on the insurance policy for the parade slot.
 - The Board used time at the close of the meeting to record a video slideshow of DCCA participation in the parade with Phil narrating the video and sharing the history of the parade and DCCA. This will eventually be submitted to Pride (who have held off their video release due to current events) and after it's edited Erica will post it to website/promote in Eblast.
- Accommodating More Outdoor Restaurant Seating Discussion about sidewalk expansion on 17th and other streets to allow for more/safer outdoor dining options, includes alternatives like Lauriol using their parking lot which is in their rights.
- **Dupont Festival:** Glenn has been in touch with organizers about collaborating.
- Park Signage: Marcy and Phil will work on developing appropriate signage for the park's DCCA maintains.

Meeting Adjourned (9:10)