Dupont Circle Citizens Association Board of Directors Meeting February 24, 2022

Present: (via videoconference/phone) Susan Volman, Rebecca Martin, Lance Salonia, Joe

Caruso, Tom Reiter, Nick Manning, Marcy Logan, Britt Bepler, Phil Carney, Charlie

Ellis

Not Present: Diane Quinn

Meeting was called to order at 7:03

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Susan moved to approve the January 2022 minutes. The motion was seconded by Rebecca, all in favor.

President's Report

Susan summarized the matters presented in her President's Report distributed prior to the meeting, including the ANC-SMD Redistricting, Candidate Forum, Pride Parade, Freedom Garden fence, Transportation Committee Oversight Hearing, and the DC Federation of Civic Associations 100th Anniversary Celebration.

Treasurer's Report

Lance walked the board through the Treasury Report distributed prior to the meeting, including the fee for DCCA's DC license. The board also voted to increase Erica's hourly rate to \$40 / hour, beginning March 1st.

ABRA

Susan described that the ANC is leading the process regarding concerns over Rosemarino D'Italia. DCCA is also involved, and there is now a group of neighbors that has protested as well.

Nomination Committee Report

Nick noted that two board members should be nominated for the April meeting and briefed the board on two potential new board members.

Parks and Gardens updates

Rebecca briefed the board on the watering system planned for the T Street garden, and the expenses associated with it. She also discussed the need for a greater budget for this year, and probably subsequent years, to properly maintain the T Street garden.

Annual Budget Susan distributed a draft of the 2022 budget before the meeting, and asked for the board's opinions on major spending items, including the watering system and general gardening budget and a party in the fall. The board approved the budget, although there was a small mistake in the presented budget. Susan will send out a corrected version.

Testimony to Council Transportation Committee

Lance briefed the board on this testimony to DC Councilmember Cheh's Oversight Hearing for Transportation and the Environment.

Membership Programs:

- March meeting: ANC-SMD redistricting to be discussed
- April meeting: Board nominations are required. Parks and Gardens to be discussed. Planned speakers include Casey Trees, Urban Forestry, and Chris Dyer (DPR).
- May meeting: Annual meeting; The board agreed to invite Brooke Pinto to this meeting, or the June meeting, depending on her availability.
- June meeting—seek the participation of a DC Executive agency such as DDOT, DOEE, etc. Nick suggested we could have a representative from Safeway to discuss their plans for the 17th Street store.

Tasks, and 100th Anniversary Membership outreach with brochures

Marcy has distributed some brochures at the T Street Park. Rebecca or Marcy will look into getting a box for them for the Park and Garden. Susan asked board members to think of additional places they could be distributed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40

Next meeting: The March meeting will take place on Thursday, March 24th