Dupont Circle Citizens Association Board of Directors Meeting June 22, 2023

Present: (via videoconference/phone) Susan Volman, Joe Caruso, Ed Hanlon, John

Hassell, Marcy Logan, Lance Salonia, Patty Zweibel

Not present: Rebecca Martin, Diane Quinn, Justin Thornton, Susan Valaskovic

Meeting was called to order at 7:05

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Marcy moved to approve the May Board meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Joe, all in favor.

President's Report

Susan is still working to get the 100th Anniversary design finalized. Marcy said she would check with Base Camp.

Susan distributed DCCA's letter about the zoning issue on 1617 U St. and the DCCA resolution on zoning procedures.

Susan thanked the board members who marched with the DCCA contingent during the Pride parade this year. She asked for earlier commitments next year. Ed suggested forming a committee in December. There was a discussion of where to store the doghouse and leftover supplies from the parade.

Deckover: John reported that he went to the June ANC 2B meeting when learning of a last-minute addition to the agenda about the deckover. ANC 2B did not approve sending a resolution to DDOT that would have ensured a one-way configuration on 19th St.

Treasurer's Report

Lance sent the report before the meeting. He said the market is doing well and that the TD account has around \$6,000. There is a 2-year subscription for webhosting that will need to be paid soon. Only other expenses were some small expenses for meetings, gardening and the Pride parade souvenirs. The \$100 donation to ISH that we voted on in May is listed as a commitment. There was a discussion of the uncashed check to WNDC Foundation, and Lance said he would ping them one more time to make sure they had received the check.

There was a discussion of membership and donation trends. Ed asked for membership data. Susan noted that the Program committee is also the Membership committee, and she suggested the Program committee look at membership data and come up with ideas to increase membership.

ABCA (formerly "ABRA"):

Joe updated the board on Krave. He said Krave is anxious to have a hearing, but it hasn't been scheduled yet due to vacations. Joe has heard no complaints so far from the neighborhood group. Susan said she thought that Krave has a stipulated license (i.e., temporary license). Joe said the neighborhood group, the ANC, and DCCA are still going to try to work out an arrangement with Krave. Hopefully Krave will agree to no promoters.

West Dupont Moratorium: Susan reported that the ANC voted against renewing the West Dupont moratorium. Susan said her belief is it is not worth pursuing on our own. There was further discussion about DCCA's posture with respect to the moratorium, and whether the entire membership or just the membership in the affected areas should be polled about issues.

Committees and Events

Susan said we need to purchase tickets to DCFCA's October event, and she needs to talk to Justin about buying an ad.

Susan hasn't yet done anything with the history event. She asked for reports from any of the committees.

Parks and Garden: Marcy said that the T St Park is inundated with rats. The city has been responsive. Freedom Park has a small case of rats, and a large tree is due to be cut down shortly. There was some discussion of the ownership of both T St and Freedom Park. The issue is an oak tree in the T Street Park that is ill. Joe said that the stump will have to be removed from the Freedom Park or else there will be a rat issue. There was further discussion about the stump.

Program: The committee is having its first meeting next week.

Regulatory: 1617 U St: Marcy said the committee she is working with will be testifying. The board decided that Susan should testify on behalf of DCCA, in addition to the written testimony that was submitted.

Masonic temple: Ed reported that the injunction was lifted and that allowed the builders to resume work.

Meeting adjourned 8:17

Next Board Meeting will be - Thursday July 27th at 7:00 p.m.