

FRNNG Meeting Minutes

May 17th, 2023

Monthly board meeting for Field Regina Northrop Neighborhood Association
McRae Park, 906 E 47th St. Minneapolis MN

Call to order – 6:30pm

In attendance:

Board of directors: Nate Lansing, Lindsey Feiner, Patty Miller, Wyatt Fertig, Colleen Stockmann, Rachel Sporer, Dan Rauchman, Charlie Anhut, Cathy Anhut, Christina Brill, Connor Blacksher

Absent: Karen Date, Steven Date

Guests: CM Jenkins, Theresa Taylor, Rosalinda Miguel, Tod Foley, Lauren Anderson

Welcome and Introductions

Everyone went around and introduced themselves and stated their role and their neighborhood.

CM Jenkins

5th precinct open house today. 3rd precinct open house yesterday. CM Jenkins attended both. Lots of opinions about where it should be placed, and more dialog is coming. City initially offered two options, and it has to be in the 3rd precinct. Issue is complex because the city doesn't own much property in the precinct.

Summer is here and crime always increases. CM Jenkins met with DA and hopes there will be more repercussions along with the restorative justice efforts already in place.

Patty wonders how neighborhood orgs can be a part of neighborhood safety.

Approve April & May Annual meeting Minutes

Motion to approve April & May Annual Meeting 2023 minutes (6:33pm): Lindsey

Second Patty

Motion carried with all votes in favor, none opposed, no abstentions

Financial Report: [See financial reports online](#)

Team still working to set up a time to meet with Robert.

Approval of financial reports will be at the next meeting. We will resend financial reports from April, May for new board members to approve.

Election Update

Election Results will be posted at www.frnng.org. Those up for election will be voting members at the June meeting. Board/finance training will be scheduled for July. It might be good to do a board bonding event.

Appointment of a Secretary

We need to recruit someone, hopefully before the June meeting! Current secretary (Lindsey Feiner) discussed with at-large board member Cathy Anhut while cleaning up after the meeting and she has agreed to take over until the next election. The new board will vote on her becoming secretary at the June meeting.

Earth Day Event Wrap-up

Cold and a little drizzly day, but 30-40 people came to pick up trash. Trash was brought back and snacks and tables for recycling education etc were available. Over bought snacks, but they are all non-perishable and can be used for future events. Large unopened juice was given to the park.

Emails were collected and we will input them into a future email list. Colleen currently has the list.

Compost bin and book were given to the winner of the drawing. Spray bottles were given away with cleaner.

Good outreach and visibility. For future events we should have more direct communication about collaboration with the park to get roles clear, get more donations, and start planning early. Consider a cleanup bingo, with prizes. Consider teams to focus on certain areas in the community although there is enough trash in the park to just focus on McRae.

Duck Race Wrap-up

Well attended, raised \$1705.27. Used Galabid program to make the fundraising easier. Vote on the next duck race earlier, get more donations. A lot of things can be reused, like the speaker and vests. Signs are being picked up currently and will be stored at Dan's office. Planning farther ahead is going to be key next year!

Patty said that artventure and Y said it was great. Facepainters were well tipped. Kabomlette was happy with their sales and would like to come back next year.

Masonic Pancake Breakfast for Field Elementary Playground Fundraiser

Masonic Pancake Breakfast raised over 6K, hopefully masonic charities will match. They would like to do a big check exchange photo op and will coordinate that in June. We should use this on social and the website.

Approve Addendum

Add to the end of the 2023 annual meeting minutes. Colleen wonders if it's time to leave it in the past and new board members don't need to have it presented to them. Discussion concludes that we are ok just putting it on the minutes and not adding it to any training.

Motion to approve the addendum provided by Wyatt and revised by the board, to be added it to the 2023 annual meeting minutes (7:30pm): Lindsey

Second Rachel

Motion carried with all votes in favor, none opposed, no abstentions

Status of food bank partnership

The food bank did not receive the grant they hoped for. If a board member wishes, they can create a group to come up with some possibilities to help the food shelf in other ways, perhaps with a grant of our own.

There may be time to do a story in CTH, Rachel will be the connector between NCBC and the board along with connecting them to Central, which has a similar program.

Community Coordinator onboarding plan

Lauren starts June 1st. Hiring committee discussed, in bylaws and in past staff has reported to the whole executive committee, but perhaps it would be best to have a single point person.

VP or President could be options for this role. Would it be best to have Lauren and EC sit down and come up with a flow? Lauren likes to be as transparent as possible, so there will likely be more information flow than we expect.

Hiring committee (Colleen) will send out the job description to the board. They will also review the contract, bring it to the board and get it signed.

Committees will meet with Lauren to discuss any duties that need to be taken over.

Upcoming greening events

Upcoming events for buckthorn removal. Items that need to be purchased, quotes from Ace supplied. Items will be stored in a bin and cart at Colleen's home.

**Motion to purchase tools for buckthorn removal program, not to exceed \$600 (7:47pm): Lindsey
Second Rachel**

Motion carried with all votes in favor, none opposed, no abstentions

Tiny Library distribution status

Three remain to be distributed. Colleen will keep us updated.

Google Docs Training

Colleen will set up a google drive training separate from regularly scheduled board meetings.

Open Forum

Thanks to Steve, Karen, Connor and Wyatt for their time on the board. Thanks to Thersa and Rosalinda, and Tod for attending tonight. Charlie Anhut wants to thank the interim board and those who are stepping away for their help and assistance.

Next meeting and adjournment

Next meeting – June 21, 6:30-8pm McRae

Motion to adjourn (7:59pm): Cathy

Second Charlie

Motion carried with all votes in favor, none opposed, no abstentions