



TGSNA Board of Directors Meeting

May 9, 2023

6:30 pm

Alpha Brewing

In Attendance (Presence indicated by - Absence indicated by):

- Deborah Pratt (President)
- Hope Wyss (Vice President)
- Robert Boggs (Treasurer)
- Joe Mazzola (Corresponding Secretary)
- Rose Moller-Jacobs (Reporting Secretary)
- Jack Hoerschler (Northeast Quadrant Director)
- Mark Abbott (Northeast Quadrant Director)
- Adam Mizes (Northwest Quadrant Director)
- Dan Pearson (Northwest Quadrant Director)
- Jim Mayer (Southeast Quadrant Director)
- Liz Tegart (Southwest Quadrant Director)
- Karen Strombach (Southwest Quadrant Director)
- ~~—VACANT (Southeast Quadrant Director)~~
- >> Taylor Madden (Southeast Quadrant Director) (by virtue of appointment + vote)

President Deborah Pratt called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

1. Welcome & Introductions

- a. Welcome to the May board meeting.
- b. Introduction and vote on Taylor Madden as new SE QD
 - i. Debi and Hope interviewed candidates prior to the meeting
 - ii. Taylor in attendance, introduced herself
 - iii. Jack moved to appoint; Adam seconded; no opposition
- c. Introductions of the rest of the board members at inaugural 2023-24 Board meeting

2. Secretary's Report - Joe (via email)

- a. Hope made a motion to approve March Board Meeting minutes and the April Board Meeting minutes, Mark seconded, no opposition.
- b. Discussion about general meeting minutes
 - i. Incl. whether to keep minutes; whether to post minutes
 - ii. Could be posted to website via a public Drive folder

3. Treasurer's Report - Robert

- a. Balance \$1,475.40
- b. Still owe \$500 to South Grand for fall event, \$250 July 2023 and \$250 September 2023

4. General Meeting Agenda / Structure - Debi

- a. Review Board Priorities/Goals
 - i. Debi passed out flyer with Top 10 priorities, from the January 2023 Board meeting
 - ii. Board members read through the priorities
 - iii. Debi requested that before June 2023 meeting, choose one or two (or more) to work on and be dedicated to accomplishing; also consider where priorities overlap for synergies, efficiency
 - iv. Hope commented that 2, 4, 5 are related, should be covered with planned Meet and Listens

5. Discuss Committees

- a. Website/Digital Media
 - i. Discussion of social media roles
 - ii. Working on housing documents to make that more efficient
 - iii. Dog Park also has page on website; asking for email address
 1. Dan shared that Google Workspace for non-profits may offer email addresses for free (Follow-up for June meeting)
 - iv. Hope has list of resources to host on the website
- b. Social committee
 - i. Previous chair Adam
 - ii. Planning Happy Hours, picnics, etc. - interested in new chair

- iii. At April General Meeting, Rene Vega (TGSNA member) indicated he interested in chairing Social Committee
 - iv. See item #3 on priorities
 - c. Programming committee
 - i. Debi/Leah previously co-chairing
 - ii. Debi volunteering to co-chair; Leah still involved; but more involvement interested
 - d. Membership committee
 - i. Hope chairing
 - ii. Goals: how to identify who is engaged, expand engagement to cover more of the neighborhood; what are the community needs that are not currently represented at meetings/in TGSNA
 - iii. List of “small to-dos” that people can sign up for, for people to get involved with limited commitment (e.g., once/month weeding at Marty’s Garden, picking up trash on ones block)
 - iv. Meet and Listens, Southeast first, TBD (summer; looking for location, input from SE QD’s)
 - 1. Discussion regarding how do we prevent the Meet and Listens from “re-hashing” old matters?
 - 2. Suggestion to take questions in written form
 - 3. Hope/Debi: agenda will be set; advance publishing of agenda; don’t want to restrict discussion because the point is getting all feedback, participation
 - e. Fundraising Committee
 - i. Debi, Adam, Robert, Liz (Trivia Night), Tom, Leah
 - ii. Goal is raising for the organization; current idea is Sept/Nov Trivia Night
 - iii. Next Meeting is Monday, May 22, 630PM, Amsterdam Tavern
 - iv. FallFest will also become a priority
 - 1. E.g., do we want to buy things to hand out or sell?
 - v. What about ways to raise funds throughout the year? (raffles, donations/sponsorships, etc.)
 - f. Development Committee - Mark
 - i. Purpose is to (i) vet requests for letters of support from developers for potential projects (e.g., zoning variance); (ii) neighborhood plan (incl. Architectural survey, business survey - completing mid-June; walking focus groups)
 - ii. Participation - 20 members currently - code of conduct has been developed and approved
 - iii. Elections for positions are upcoming (currently: Jack is chair, Mark is Secretary)
 - iv. Mark has received requests for additional participation
 - 1. Suggest getting rid of rules re: limited # of participation
 - v. FOR THE RECORD: Development Committee Standing Rules approved via email vote

- g. Beautification Committee
 - i. Currently chaired by Tom
 - ii. Looking for participation, specifically a co-chair – an organizer, in particular
 - iii. Responsible for upkeep of Marty's Garden (Utah and Morganford) and the garden at Roger Place and Tholozan
 - iv. Interested in starting regular neighborhood clean-ups

6. Neighborhoods United for Change

- a. Kevin McKinney spoke about this project at April General Meeting
- b. Debi has sent Mark and Hope the Google form - name, address, email, phone number, any comments/questions/suggestions
- c. Limit is ~10-15; mix of board members and residents; also interested in quadrant representation
- d. Distribution through mailing list, social media, etc.
- e. Interested: Hope, Tom, Debi, Rose, Liz

7. Vote on Development Project

- a. Recommendation write-up provided to Board by Development Committee
- b. AHM Group, 3146-3150 Morgan Ford
- c. Concerns
 - i. minimum percentage occupancy
 - ii. No retail in this plan
 - 1. Because of enhanced parking requirements
 - iii. Rent too high
- d. Other comments
 - i. Adam: note, they are not asking for tax abatements
 - ii. Regarding retail spaces: there are currently 6 open spaces on the street, potentially losing 1 (net)
- e. Question re: Board of Adjustment - If we/the community put forth support with conditions, what is to stop the developers from ignoring the conditions?
 - i. Jack: Board of Adjustment can force them to enforce these conditions, but can also accept/reject any of the conditions
 - ii. Jack: Can also leverage our support if they ignore our conditions
- f. Question: Are the conditions of support related to the concerns of the residents?
 - i. Adam: conditions come from development committee (re: don't vote "yes" with no conditions, so further discussion), based on what the community at large says
- g. Question: how do we respond to community input, per the survey?
- h. Adam moves to take a vote tonight, Robert seconded; 6 votes in favor (not a quorum)
 - i. No vote tonight
 - ii. Survey data from Hope is upcoming

- iii. Vote by the end of the weekend, results to be noted in the June meeting minutes

8. May General Meeting Agenda

- a. Three of our typical speakers (alderman, NSO, Officer Walker) will be coming
- b. Guest speaker TBD

Debi adjourned the meeting at 8:15 pm.

Submitted by Rose Moller-Jacobs, Reporting Secretary

Upcoming Events

TGSNA General Meeting; Wednesday, 6:30 PM May 17th at Oak Hill Presbyterian Church.

TGSNA Board Meeting; Tuesday, 6:30 PM June 6th Alpha Brewing.