

Cully Association of Neighbors DRAFT Board Meeting Minutes

Online Meeting 3/23/21 6:30-8:30pm

Attendance:

CAN Board Members: Josh Heumann, Annette Pronk, Gregory Sotir, Isha Leinow, Vena Rainwater, Talia Kahn-Kravis, David Sweet, Maria Grzanka

Community Members: Chris Browne

Public Comment & Announcements:

- None

Prior Meeting Minutes

- *Vote:* Talia moves to approve meeting minutes. Gregory seconds. All in favor, none opposed, none abstained. Meeting minutes approved.

Board Priorities

Isha leads discussion to set board priorities. Objective is to identify key priorities to move forward.

Do these cover the individual priorities of the group? Venn diagram of the following.

- Shoring up the box (Team: Maria, Josh)
 - Fundraising (connects with public events)
 - Making decisions when capacity is limited, meeting topics, balancing planning and flexibility
 - Email processing
 - Meeting setup
 - Newsletter
 - Organizing files (Google Drive, Dropbox, etc.)
- Advocacy
 - Educate and inform around process and information flow, how does an individual's voice get heard?
 - Behaving as an entity to support general needs of community
 - Acting on behalf of specific issues
 - Identifying and seeking out issues the community needs to address
- Community building/engagement (Team: Talia, Vena, Maria, Annette, Josh)
 - Understanding neighborhood issues
 - Connecting with neighbors
 - Fostering relationships/connections
 - Sponsor public events

Action Items:

- Isha Leinow will wordsmith the above, including work from the engagement team and the 'shoring up the box' team, for the next board meeting and invite others to comment.

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Elections

All officers are up for election (Josh, Isha, Maria, Vena) plus members at large (Annette, David, Gregory, Nikki). Reviewed format from last election:

- Announce election one month ahead (will be at April General Meeting)
- Request people interested in running to get in touch
- Google form created before meeting
- During election meeting,
 - Share Google form once meeting is started (will be at May General Meeting)
 - People can opt in to run and be added to Google form up to the actual voting
 - Ask for voter attendance to be recorded via chat
 - Record meeting and send to CNN along with election results

Letter of Support for Rigler PTA

Rigler PTA has sent a letter to the PPS school board demanding changes to reduce principal turnover at Rigler. Vena is requesting CAN to draft a letter in support of the PTA. Discussion recognizing ongoing problem, need for stability especially post-COVID, and other Cully organizations supporting. Discussion about next steps: process for approving letters, managing timeliness of support, and general format. Rigler PTA has provided a template for letters of support.

Process Note:

- Letters of Support should be brought to the general meeting.

Action Items:

- Vena will update the form letter based on tonight's discussion, review with David, and send to the board to review.

Shelter to Housing Continuum Project Testimony

David thanks CAN board for supporting testimony. Most opposition was around temporary outdoor shelter on open land. City.

Process Note:

- Testimony was delivered verbally via Zoom call and posted on the project website. Draft testimony was supported by board via email. Testimony should be brought to the general meeting.

→ *Vote:* David moves to ratify email vote to approve testimony. Isha seconds. All in favor, none opposed, none abstained.

Design Overlay Project (DOZA)

David informs the board about potential development where the warehouse was going to be built.

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- David is meeting with J. Schnitzer to find out more about the proposal to purchase land and will report back.

General Meeting Topics

Reviewed upcoming schedule

- April: DEQ
- May: elections + Cully mutual aid
- June: gun violence
- July: Break
- August: Break
- Action Items:
 - Annette will reach out to compile information around Cully mutual aid, e.g. food distribution, renters assistance, Clara Vista fire response, Talia will support
 - David will look into date for TIF update, may need it's own meeting
 - Isha will lead April meeting, Josh not available

Cully Air Action Team Updates

Gregory has questions about April meeting and updates on testimony. Gregory receives many requests to testify on behalf of CAAT, some with 1-2 day turnaround. Requests are against major offenders to air quality in Cully and/or for regulators to step up.

Process Note:

- Testimony should be brought to the general meeting.

Action Items:

- Josh will work with Gregory to work out details for DEQ meeting.
- Gregory will email testimony to board for support

Adjournment

- *Vote:* Josh moves to adjourn. Maria seconds. All in favor, none abstained, none opposed. Meeting adjourned at 8:39.

Meeting Minutes recorded by Maria Grzanka, CAN Secretary. All CAN Board Meetings and General Meetings are open to the public to attend. Please reach out to a board member for more detailed information about discussion points.

Active Committee Chairs

- Cully Air Action Team: Gregory Sotir
- Transportation and Land Use: David Sweet
- Tree Team: Bruce Nelson
- CAN email list: Gregory Sotir
- CAN website: Chris Browne
- CNN Representative: Michael Morrissey