



NORTHEAST COALITION
OF NEIGHBORHOODS

NECN Board Meeting
Tuesday, February 21, 2017
6:30 pm
NECN Office – Conference Room
Approved Minutes

Meeting Attendees

Loulie Brown, Vice Chair
Roslyn Cunningham, At-Large
Donn Dennis, Concordia
Jere Fitterman, Eliot
Dave Johansen, Alameda
Kym Jeka, Humboldt
Dennis Kennedy, Woodlawn
Shirley Minor, At-Large
Brendan "Mort" Mortimer, Secretary, Vernon Representative
Paul van Orden, Chair

Staff

Adam Lyons, Executive Director
Laura Becker, Planning and Operations Manager

Meeting called to order at 6:40 pm

Review and Approval of Minutes

The board reviewed the January board meeting **minutes**. Kym requested an amendment clarification that Humboldt is the only neighborhood without a recognized "public" park **and moved to approve the minutes as amended, seconded by Dave, approved.**

Executive Director Report

Adam presented his report. Highlights include planning a legislature info session with NAACP and coordinating the new Public Safety Advisory Committee. The board also discussed an article written in Irvington's newspaper regarding Grant Park's move to CNN.

Financial Report

Loulie presented the January financial report. At the start of the third quarter of the fiscal year, NECN's finances continue to align with budget expectations. With the personnel restructuring there may be extra ONI funds that need to be spent down on unbudgeted items. The board agreed to discuss possibilities for funding at the March meeting, including dispersing additional grant funds or contracting with a fundraiser and/or grantwriter.

Community Awards

Paul has shifted the timeline to provide a longer turnaround process in selecting awardees. Anjala Ehelebe volunteered to join the subcommittee.

Neighborhood Updates

Alameda: The neighborhood's development boom has begun to die down.

Concordia: The association scheduled several neighborhood events, including their clean-up, egg hunt and concerts, as well as a retreat.

Eliot: The board has become more active and willing to work on projects, including focusing on cleaning trash around areas where people park when attending events at the Moda center.

Priorities for 2017

The board brainstormed priorities for the group to tackle and explore throughout the year. (see attached)

Adjourned 8:00 pm

Minutes taken by Laura Becker