

CLEVELAND PARK CITIZENS ASSOCIATION
MINUTES
Board of Directors Meeting February 9, 2015

In Attendance: Ruth Caplan, Christopher Fioravante, John Korbel, Margaret Lenzner, Karen Lightfoot, Gina Polidoro, Mark Rosenman, Andrew Sens, Susie Taylor.
Absent: Ann Hamilton, Clark Madigan,

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 pm. Minutes of the January 12, 2015 meeting were approved.

Membership: Christopher Fioravante reported on current members. To date, 329 members have enrolled for 2015, consisting of 276 from 138 households, 48 individuals, 4 business members, and 1 associate member. He said that 86 past members have not renewed. Chris circulated a list of non-renewers so that Board members can contact those they know.

Website: Chris circulated January website statistics showing with 610 unique visitors (c.f., 551 in December and 1048 in November) with Giant/Cathedral Commons still the most visited unique page views.

Finance: John Korbel circulated an unremarkable financial statement of Year-to-Date vs. Budget for October 1, 2014 through February 7, 2015. Chris suggested that CPCA should budget for clerical help for time-consuming tasks that Board members handle now.

Succession: Chris introduced the subject of planning for next year's board and officers as several want to retire. Appointment of a Nominating Committee was discussed.

2014-15 Work Plan: Chris led a review of the work plan that was approved for 2014-15. It was agreed that some communications problems need remediation. Additionally, Karen Lightfoot said she has been disappointed with Rock Creek Conservancy's activities so far; Susie Taylor suggested a park expert she knows.

Program: Mark Rosenman and Gina Polidoro reported on plans for the **February 19 Membership meeting focusing on the CP Library** modernization. Jeff Bonvecchio and Martha Sacoccio, both from DCPL, will present and we agreed to invite Phil Eagleburger, a local architect who is familiar with other library renovation projects, to be on the panel. Gina said she will post to CP and CPCA listserves announcement of the February 19 meeting as well as a membership renewal reminder. She also suggested that an online survey to elicit community input might be useful to the library planning process.

The **March 19 Membership meeting** will focus on local responses to climate change. Ruth Caplan said she has lined up three presenters, and said she will try to find someone who can address issues of solar panels and other home alterations in historic districts.

At Chris's suggestion, we agreed to research locations for Membership meetings since the library will not be available during construction.

Advocacy: Mark Rosenman reported that he had filed CPCA's protest to **Coppi's application** to the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA) that was approved at the special Membership meeting on January 31. He said ANC3C had filed a protest and that another ad hoc group filed a petition in protest with 27 signatures. Mark will attend the ABRA hearing on February 17 but since he may have to represent the petitioners' group, another CPCA representative should be there as well.

The Board authorized Susie Taylor to prepare CPCA testimony for the DC **Council's oversight hearing on ABRA** scheduled for February 20 at 10:00 am. Usually, the president testifies. Members will be notified of the intention to testify at the February 19 Membership meeting where they will have the opportunity to discuss the issues involving ABRA policies and practices.

The next Board meeting will be held on Monday, April 6. There will be no Board meeting in March.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Margaret Lenzner, Recording Secretary