

ST. PETERSBURG DOWNTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Wednesday, March 9, 2022
Sage Club Room
Approved Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:58 by President Karen Carmichael.
2. **Establish Quorum:** Present were Karen Carmichael, Al May, Scott Clark, Grace Steinhauser (by phone), Martha Shibley, Deborah Stewart, John Waechter, and Steve Phillips
3. **Approval of agenda:** After a motion and second, the agenda was approved.
4. **Approval of minutes:** After a motion and second, January 12th 2022 Board Organizational minutes approved.
5. **Treasurer's Report:** John Waechter reported on fund balances (e-mailed to Board at start of month). Upon motion and vote, Board unanimously agreed not to renew the Directors and Officers (D&O) insurance policy.
6. **President's Report:**
 - a. **Summer Meetings:** A decision to hold Zoom Board Meetings during the summer was tabled, to be made closer to the summer, when it will be clearer what business needs to be transacted.
 - b. **Officer Transitions:** It was agreed that a list of "must-do's" should be added to the Board Handbook, listing the items that a new administration needs to do when officers change, such as changing names on bank accounts, post office box, etc.
 - c. **Communications:** After discussion, it was agreed to continue with sending out widespread e-mails, newsletters, reminders, notice of events, etc.
7. **Committee Reports:**
 - a. **Social:** Karen announced that the Saturday morning walks would be canceled, due to lack of interest by members, being replaced by "Yoga in the Park." The DNA Board agreed by consensus to pay the instructor and sponsor the events, which would save from having the instructor go through an entire permitting process. Karen has also submitted a proposal to the City for \$400, \$100 installment per month, to pay for the program. The former \$7.00/session participation fee will be waived, because it is illegal to collect funds for events in parkland without a permit. Because of MBL's cancellation of the first two series, nationwide, tickets purchased for the Rays' opener will be refunded.
 - b. **Community Service:** It was decided to hold the food drive in November, rather than this spring. Scheduling a "Clean-up Williams Park" event in April. Parks Dept to store our supplies in the bandshell.
 - c. **Membership:** Scott reported we currently have 228 members. It was agreed we would switch payment systems for the online membership enrollment, saving @\$250/year, though it will require all members to re-enroll, submitting credit card information again. By consensus, it was decided to add a "Donations" tab to the enrollment page, allowing people to donate if they wish, and include information about events, privileges, mission statement of SPDNA in membership renewal reminder e-mails.
8. **No Community Meeting Reports or Unfinished Business:**
9. **New Business:** Karen announced that the April General Meeting would feature the Waterfront Preservation Plan Review. She also announced that we would not be purchasing water bottles as favors for members. Martha agreed to do a "demo" of the "See/Click/Fix" app as part of the General Meeting. We also agreed to continue inviting the Police and Fire Departments to General Meetings, using index cards to solicit questions from members, which should assist in moderating the meetings.
10. **Next Board Meeting:** General Meeting, St. Peter's Cathedral at 7 PM, Wednesday, April 13.
11. **Adjourn:** After a motion and second, the meeting was adjourned at 8:18.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Phillips, Secretary