



Board Meeting Minutes
March 18, 2020

The Friendship Community Group held a 2020 board meeting on March 18, 2020 through the online video meeting service Zoom. This meeting was held one week later than the usual second Tuesday board meeting

I) Call to Order

- a) Sara DeLucia called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members in attendance: Sara DeLucia (FCG President), Jayne Bower (FCG Vice President), Larry Laude (Treasurer), Tom Youngs (Secretary), Diana Ames, Tom Hritz, and Carla Lukehart, Vince Manetti, and Danielle Novick,. Regrets from Kristin Hughes, Rod Cunningham, Evan Stein and Evan Tobin.
- b) A quorum was noted to be present.

II) Items for Approval

- a) Consent Agendas
 - i) Baumhaus agreement (HBBC)

Resolved: That the Board of Directors hereby ratifies the Community Agreement reached with Baumhaus II and the residents of Centre Court Villa and authorizes the President to sign the said Community Agreement on behalf of the FCG.

- ii) Audit Committee members (EC)

Resolved: That Tom Youngs (chair), Evan Tobin and Evan Stein are designated as an Audit Committee to review the Fiscal Year 2019 Friendship Community Group financial records.

- iii) Corporate address for the State (EC)

Whereas the current registered office of the Friendship Community Group is that of the past president of FCG and therefore needs to be changed, and

Whereas, the Bloomfield Garfield Corporation has agreed to the use of their address as the registered office of the Friendship Community Group,

Therefore, be it resolved that the Secretary is authorized and directed to change the registered office of the Friendship Community Group at the Pennsylvania Department of State to 5149 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh PA 15224

- iv) Baum-Centre Initiate representatives (HBBC) – Residents Barbara Adams as primary and Renee Zaffino as alternate.

Larry Laude (Diana Ames) moved to approve the consent agenda items. The motion passed.

- v) GPNP Liaison – tabled
- vi) Revised procurement policy (FC) - tabled

III) Items for Discussion and as Appropriate Approval

- i) Alternate F4 in light of social distancing (F4) -
 - (1) Flower sale –
 - (a) only on-line sales 4/13 – 5/1, no “day-of” sales
 - (b) flower pickup – 5/9
 - (2) Remaining usual F4 activities to hopefully occur during the House Tour in September
 - (3) Jayne Bower to follow-up on city grant for F4 to see if it could be applied to the annual picnic instead
 - (4) Need to review and adjust budget (30% of sales are from “day-of” sales)
- ii) Liability for the Play Park (FC) – directors decided not to pursue
- iii) Re-designation of the Pittsburgh Foundation fund (EC)

Resolved: That the resolution of the February 2020 Board of Directors meeting notwithstanding, the board approves the recommendation of The Pittsburgh Foundation that the Friendship Playground fund be designated to support the Friendship Community Group to be used solely and exclusively for the Friendship Play Park at the Montessori School.

Approved through general consensus.

- iv) Updated mission statement – tabled
- v) RCO Coalition participation

Larry Laude (Jayne Bower) moved the following:

Resolved: FCG participate in the RCO Coalition led by the Hill House Association. Nine in favor and none opposed. The motion passed.

- vi) Committee Discussion
 - (1) CCB – discussion of moving events during the week of Earth Day to the fall.
 - (2) HBB - discussion of eventually using community room at renovated Waldorf School for FCG board meeting. May need to discuss process with committee member Jennifer Haven or resident Holly King.
 - (3) NE – discussion on plans for fixing Baum Grove sign and for obtaining quote for electricity for shed at Baum Grove.
- vii) House Tour – still proceeding

IV) Updates Needed

- a) Asphalt Art grant at Baum Grove Intersection – no information received from “near neighbors”
- b) Love Your Block Grant (NE) – submitted
- c) Liaison with PPS Montessori and PTA – no information received

V) Upcoming events

- i) Progressive Dinner - cancelled
- ii) F4 – tentatively moved to September

Adjournment and Future Meetings

Danielle Novick (Diana Ames) moved to adjourn the meeting. Sara adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm.

All meetings are open to the public. Note – all meetings are subject to cancellation, date changes or to be held through teleconference or a form of online video.

- FCG board meetings on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm at Pittsburgh Glass Center unless otherwise noted.
- Housing and Business Borders Committee on the first Tuesday of each at Pittsburgh Glass Center at 6:30 pm (next meeting April 7, 2020) unless otherwise noted.
- Communications and Community Building Committee on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm, at Friendship Perk & Brew (next meeting April 7, 2020) unless otherwise noted.
- Neighborhood and Environment Committee on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm at a member's home (next meeting TBD) unless otherwise noted.

Thomas E. Youngs, Jr., Secretary
Friendship Community Group

These minutes were approved at the April 8, 2020 Board of Directors meeting.