



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
July 13, 2022

The Friendship Community Group (FCG) held its July 2022 meeting at President Sara DeLucia's house on July 13, 2022. A quorum was present. The following Board members were in attendance: Sara DeLucia (President), Logan Burdwood (Vice President), Carla Lukehart, Nancy Cohen (Secretary), Emily George (virtually), Diana Toole, and Tom Youngs (Treasurer) and RJ Huebert. Regrets from Brad Wyland, Elizabeth Reitz, Colleen Potanko and Joe Mattis.

Sara DeLucia, FCG President, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.
Sara welcomed all attendees.

Items for Discussion

- a.) Minutes for May 2022. Sara brought up the fact that these minutes needed to be approved as well as the May & June 2022 Treasurer's Reports, the May 2022 Zoning & Development Committee Report and the June Baum Grove Update. **She brought it up for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.**
- b.) The first topic of discussion was the new boundaries of FCG which the Zoning & Development Committee recommended for approval. The new boundaries include non-represented blocks at the southern portion of Friendship. Some of the area includes the empty lot across from the Hertz business, Baumhouse 1 & 2 and the Carlyle Arms. The Registered Community Organization application for FCG should be updated at renewal time which the Z&D Committee will pursue. **Sara brought the recommendation up for a vote and it was approved unanimously.**
- c.) Picnic/PGH Bike Ride. Brad Wyland is leading the ride event with BikePGH. RJ Huebert is managing the picnic at the end of the ride at Baum Grove. The ride's purpose is to teach cyclists how to use bike lanes, how to signal in traffic, and bike safety and upkeep. There will be three routes for more advanced cyclists, beginners, and kids. RJ will be doing an email blast about it before the event as well as a Nextdoor Neighbor post. He is also going to post a signup genius on the website for volunteers and items needed. It was mentioned that the picnic will be a great time to recruit new members for the FCG Board.
- d.) National Night Out is on August 2nd. It can be celebrated in various ways such as porch parties, block parties, and other types of gatherings. It was agreed to encourage participation among Friendship residents.
- e.) The Garbage Olympics will be held on September 17. A person needs to be found to lead this effort. Sara mentioned asking two neighbors she has if they would be interested in leading it and someone else mentioned getting Boy and Girl Scouts involved.
- f.) New Board Member Recruitment. We all should be asking neighbors and friends in Friendship if they would be interested in becoming a Board member. Sara also thought to ask former presidents if they had recommendations of people to ask. There will be several vacancies by the end of this year.
- g.) Yard Sale, August 27. Logan stated that not much help is needed to organize it.

- h.) UEI/ City Grant. Nancy spoke of the difficulties in getting our UEI number validated in the federal Sam.gov system and some help that Larry Laude had given her. Logan has not heard about the status of the CDBG grant he submitted aside from the confirmation that it had been received.
- i.) Baum Grove Weeding. Carla stated that the hillside area most needed weeding and spoke of cardboard mulching in September where cardboard would be laid down and mulch be placed on top of it. Logan said PWSA emailed him that most of the Grove's surface was considered impervious which will result in a slightly higher tax amount.
- j.) Adjournment was called at 8:18 p.m. by Carla and seconded by Tom.

*Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Cohen July 14, 2022*

These minutes were approved at the September 14, 2022 Board of Directors meeting