

FAUNTLEROY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Business Meeting Minutes

Fauntleroy Schoolhouse & Zoom
June 13, 2023

Board:

PRESENT	ABSENT			PRESENT	ABSENT	
X		Catherine Bailey			x	Frank Immel
X		Bruce Butterfield		X		Susan Lantz-Dey
X		Mike Dey		X		Meredith Sciarro
					X	Diana Spence
	x	Alan Grainger			X	Nils von Veh
Zoom		David Haggerty		X		Bill Wellington
x		Kris Ilgenfritz			X	Marty Westerman

Guests:

Amber Heinemann, potential board member
Vicki Schmitz Block, Fauntleroy Schoolhouse
Patrick Sand, West Seattle Blog

Mike Dey called the meeting to order at 7:03. Introductions were made. all around.

Minutes: Catherine Bailey moved to approve the May 9, 2023 Minutes as written. Bruce Butterfield seconded. The Minutes were approved.

SW Police Precinct Update:

There was no report.

FCA Survey:

Catherine introduced the subgroup working on the survey - Bruce, Meredith Sciarro, Bill Wellington and Catherine. She gave an update that the subgroup working on the survey has mapped out its plan for the survey. Some questions from prior surveys will be included in the current survey to track responses from the community and compare responses.

The questions on the survey will include and not limited to:

- Demographic Information
- Business member
- Ages and number of people in the household
- Transportation
- Pedestrian Safety
- Ferry
- Development in the area
- Crime and Public Safety

Mike suggested that the group reach out to SPD - SW Precinct to find out if there are public safety and crime issues that SPD is interested in answers from the community.

The survey is expected to be available after Labor Day 2023.

Membership Update:

Meredith has been reviewing the historical membership boxes from Mike and feels she is getting up to speed. She would like to do more outreach through the WS Chamber, adding an FCA table at the MOCA festival this coming weekend. (It was later determined that FCA would not add a table due the venue size restrictions at the MOCA festival). Meredith would like to ask non renewing FCA members why they are not renewing.

Bill and Meredith will work with Glenn Newman to run a lapsed member report to more accurately track lapsed members. Bruce will circulate the most recent mailing roster for Board members to review and correct any member errors that may be on the roster.

New neighbor bag distribution will begin again. Bill suggested adding a new url to the new neighbor bag FCA postcard to track how many new neighbors join. Catherine mentioned that Amanda Austin Haggerty is willing to continue assisting with the bags. Amber Heinemann would also be willing to join the committee.

Meredith will be creating a process for onboarding new members. She will be sharing this process with the Board at a future date.

Candidate Forum Recap:

Patrick Sand began the discussion on the Forum. He estimated that between 80 and 100 people were in attendance. Most West Seattle Community Associations were present. Mike mentioned that each of the District 1 candidates expressed his or her support for the Fauntleroy Ferry Dock Expansion. This is not the FCA position. Mike has sent a letter to each candidate explaining the history of the dock and the current opinions in opposition to the expansion. Three of the candidates have requested time with Fauntleroy neighbors to learn more about this project. Mike will also send the letter to the WS Blog for its reference.

Summer Flower Planter Box Planting and Watering:

Mike led the conversation for Kim Frost Immel. Historically, there are 20 planter boxes planted twice a year and watering done weekly by community volunteers. 14 people are needed to assist getting the balance of the planter boxes ready for the summer. Catherine mentioned that there is a summer 2023 watering schedule in place.

Amber described that her business, The BirdHouse, uses Fauntleroy Gardening Company for its boxes. She suggested that Kim may want to reach out to this company to see if FCA could use it for future gardening/planter projects. Amber also suggested a watering alert to each business that has committed to watering in front of their business. She also suggested FCA or Kim reach out to the community volunteer groups e.g. the Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts to find out if any group needs community service hours and may be interested in watering duties.

Bill mentioned that the planter boxes should be examined to determine if any of them are leaking.

Delridge Neighborhood Development Association event:

FCA made a donation of \$400, from individual Board Members' personal donations. Kris Ilgenfritz attended the event on June 2 and gave a brief recap of the event that raised over \$110,000 for the DNDA.

SPD Community-Police Dialogues:

Catherine attended the zoom meeting conducted by Seattle University. The meetings are follow up sessions from the results of the SU community surveys detailing community concerns and ideas for SPD to look into further. Catherine found the meeting useful and helpful engagement on both sides. She suggested the Board Members should try to attend the next meetings, via zoom, on July 17 and August 21 from 5:30 - 7:30. Pre Registration is required. Pre registration can be done at www.publicsafetysurvey.org. Catherine will forward the website to all Board Members.

Introductions:

Amber described her relationship with the Fautleroy community as personal and professional. She has been in the food industry for 25 years, including managing Endolyne Joe's for six years and most recently as of March 4, 2020, the owner of The BirdHouse. She has expanded from one employee during the Pandemic to 14 currently. The BirdHouse has visits from 200 neighbors daily. Most recently, Amber distributed 60 FCA newsletters in two days. She also owns Fremann Foods, a catering and wholesale food business located next to The BirdHouse.

Marty Westerman introduced her to FCA and she has been talking with David Haggerty with ideas to support FCA, encourage more business participation and continue to do what she can to make our Fautleroy community the best she can make it.

District 1 Update:

Bruce did not attend the meeting due to the conflict with the WSF meeting. He will update the Board at the next meeting.

Ferries update:

Susan Lantz-Dey reported that at the recent WSF meeting, WSF admitted publicly for the first time that the option for a second slip at Fautleroy is on the table. WSF is leaving this option on the table for future development. David Sowers stated that both options will allow for the second slip. The configuration of the expanded dock has not been decided.

Mike mentioned that Lisa Herborld has agreed to push through a City Ordinance to make a statement that an expanded dock is not an option. Mike is working with other public officials to follow up on this proposed ordinance.

The recent meeting was attended by approximately 80 people. Frank Immel estimated that 80% of the attendees were from Vashon Island.

Morgan Community Summer Festival:

Mike talked to Deb Barker regarding an FCA table. As mentioned earlier in the Minutes, there are some space constraints at the venue for the Festival. FCA will not have a table this year. Deb also mentioned that each group's table needs to provide an activity for children.

West Seattle Chamber of Commerce:

Mike confirmed that FCA is now a member of the WS Chamber. He will forward the contact information to the Board. The meetings for the Chamber are in person and on zoom.

Playground Update:

Bill submitted a request for information from Seattle Parks and received information back on June 1. Parks has confirmed that the replacement play structure is out for bid.

Action Items:

- Bruce to circulate membership roster to Board Members for review and corrections. .
- Bill and Meredith will meet with Glenn to review active and lapsed membership roster.
- Mike will send ferry dock expansion letter to WSBlog and two King County Council candidates.
- Catherine will send out registration information for SPD Dialogue meetings

The next meeting will be on July 11, 2023 from 7-9 pm at the Schoolhouse.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kris Ilgenfritz