

FCA Board Meeting
June 9, 2015

In attendance:

David Haggerty (acting chair), Bruce Butterfield, Debbie Kerns, Gary Dawson, Marti Clements, Vicki Schmitz Block

NEW BUSINESS

Cove Park party - Marti Clements

Event will be on July 18th, 2-4pm

Everything is coming together.

She talked about the interpretive sign that they have created which will be at the top of the “patio” area.

- There will be info about clean water and photos of all of the Olympic Mountains – and their names.

- They also took photos of the Fauntleroy Creek.

They have a banner they will put up. There will be some chairs.

There will be a presentation but not from politicians. Head of the project will speak, Marty will talk for the committee and Tom will talk about the art.

We talked about ensuring that Joe McDermott and Dowe Constantine are invited– just to have them there – not to present. Gary also mentioned inviting someone from the WA ferries too – but we talked this through and determined we didn’t need to do special invites.

We talked about having kids help make a big poster to announce the event that would be up 3 days in advance or so. Marty is going to talk with the Children’s Center.

ACTION: It would be helpful if board members came an hour in advance to help set things up.

We’ll discuss final details during the July meeting.

Fall Festival - Debbie Kerns

This years’ event will be held on Sunday, October 11th, 2:00 – 5:00pm

Debbie spoke about the fall festival planning and the history of the event. Many of the original members (from 2002) are still active on the planning committee, including David Haggerty. The desire to create an old-fashioned community fall festival came following the Sept 11th, 2001 events. Debbie had heard so many stories of life in Fauntleroy “back in the day” when the triangle was a flurry of activity with children attending the Fauntleroy grade school, participating on sports team and other offerings at the Y and going to Sunday service and other events at the church, with their families.

The first brainstorming discussion in July 2002 included Haggerty and David Meckstroth (Hall at Fauntleroy), David Kratz (UCC Church), Jenny Mandt (representing the Y), and Debbie. Ideas were narrowed down and after a few months of planning, and coordinating vendors and volunteers, the first annual festival was held on the 3rd Sunday in October with no rain. Everyone was thrilled to have approximately 300 people attend. It certainly has grown since then.

The framework of the event has remained the same, as it works well and has become what our Fauntleroy families expect.

Debbie will chair the planning committee again this year and Shannon has also joined the committee to help coordinate some of the entertainment and other offerings . Please let Debbie know if you'd like to join the fun to help with planning!

Swing into Summer - Bruce Butterfield

He spoke about the upcoming event on June 19th, 7-9pm to be held in the Hall at Fauntleroy. There were about 80 people that had already purchased tickets. He talked about how much fun it was last year. Food available for purchase and there would be a cash bar. West Seattle Big Band plays and proceeds go towards the music programs in West Seattle schools.

Tennis Courts – David Haggerty

David shared the background - Lisa Corbin is chairing a committee that is working towards getting the courts covered that are at the SW Community Center off of Thistle. They are submitting a grant to do a feasibility study so they can see how much it would cost to complete the work, to present to Seattle City Parks Department.

They have asked the FCA if we would be fiscal agents. Mike Dey and David spoke about us doing this, if the project does move forward. Phil, as acting Treasurer, is on board to help to make this work.

Marti Clements is on the small committee that has been working on this too. The price to complete is 10X more expensive than they initially thought. They have to get the feasibility study funds first in order for this project to be considered for a levy to cover the costs.

FOLLOW UP

Traffic Revisions and Schedule – Marty Westerman

David shared updates from Marty that he provided by email, as he wasn't able to attend the meeting. (Email notes attached)

- Regarding the mirror on 45th– if it comes down to FCA paying for it, those present at the meeting felt that we should just pay for it. We have discretionary \$\$ in budget for misc.
- Vicky motioned that we cover the costs the mirror and Bruce seconded it.
 - o David is going to send out an online vote for the committee, as we don't have a quorum tonight – once he's connected with Marty and Gordon.

ACTION: Regarding the curb cuts for the cross walk at Rose Street, Vicki is going to talk with Gary Merlino.

ON GOING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ferry Advisory - Gary

Gary said that there hadn't been a meeting in a while as there hasn't been the need.

Newest boat went into service last Sunday which adds an additional boat to the fleet to help cover when another goes down.

Car2Go - Gary

Gary met with Michael Hoitnick (Location Manager for Seattle area) recently. During their discussion, it was brought forward whether or not they could be paying for private parking – as they are behind the schoolhouse. Gary asked him if his preference would be that cars be parked in the lot, vs. on the road in the neighborhood. The ordinance created does allow them to park on public streets. Michael said he does want to have happy neighbors.

They are an international Company.

They are open to paying for parking, when with the ordinance is not required, as they don't want an upset committee.

He mentioned that he wanted to attend a FCA board meeting – he gave him the July meeting date already.

ACTION: Gary is going to write a letter to Tom R's office in order to provide background as to where we are and explain our position and call out some issues.

Gary read a letter that we recently emailed about them adding additional cars to the Seattle fleet soon.

SW District Council – Vicki

No burning issues. They appear to go over the same things every meeting. They had their last meeting at South Seattle College and toured the arboretum

Fauntleroy School House – Vicki and Francis

Their enrollment at the Children's Center is so high for summer programs that they are out of space.

Francis talked about the open house event for the Centennial. She said that it was a well-attended event.

They are hoping to sell more T-shirts and posters to help raise more \$\$

The former students + those who have used the building are all being considered alumni for the schoolhouse. We talked about this being confusing to use this word in their marketing.

Bruce asked Francis if they had access to the names and addresses for all Children's Center kids.

Finance Report – David Haggerty

David asked if we looked at the finance report – Phil is still sending out reports.

We talked about the need to be more assertive to find a new Treasurer. David said that we'd be more diligent about things when Mike is back. Bill Cook was mentioned as being a good candidate.

We then discussed best practices for managing our budget and that ideally this would be handled by two people.

Next meeting held on Tuesday, July 14th, 7:00 pm.