

**Dupont Circle Citizens Association
Board of Directors Meeting
Mar 22, 2021**

Present: (via videoconference/phone) Glenn Engelmann, Susan Volman, Lance Salonia, Charlie Ellis, Tom Reiter, Marcy Logan, Tim Norman, Nick Manning, Susan Volman, Rebecca Martin, Phil Carney

Not Present: -

Meeting was called to order at 7:10pm

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Tim moved to approve the Feb 2021 minutes. Rebecca seconded the motion, all in favor.

President's Report

- *100th Anniversary of Dupont Circle Fountain:* Dupont Main Streets, the Dupont BID, and others are helping organize a celebration. Aaron DeNu, head of the Dupont festival, was invited to a DCCA membership meeting to help promote the event which will take place on May 17th. The fountain is not expected to be fixed in time for the event.
- *Comp Plan:* Susan asks to submit to Council a letter raising the inherent problem with having the Historic Preservation Office report to the head of the Office of Planning.
- *DCCA Grant:* Marcy spoke to the Glenn's Market grant recipient, a DC native, who is selling her goods at neighborhood shops, as she works to open her own.

Action Items:

- *Phil and Glenn will keep tabs on the planning for the fountain anniversary.*
- *Grant recipient will be featured in eblast and invited to attend a spring meeting to share her story with members.*

Treasurer's Report

- Susan distributed the treasurer's report in advance of the meeting.
- Susan reports that a transfer will be needed to keep up operating expenses in Q2.

MOTION: Glenn moves to authorize Treasurer to transfer \$5,100 from savings to the operating account. Nick seconds. All in favor.

ABRA Report

- **Signature Lounge:** Representatives of Signature Lounge joined the meeting. Questions were asked about clarification on the plan, and the reasoning for the license type, music, and promoters. Alan (the lead rep.) asked to get back to everyone after the owner returns to the U.S. and he can get more detail. The protest date is in April.
- **Duffy's:** Glenn has met with Duffy's and neighbors – a settlement agreement is expected to happen without protest.

MOTION: Susan moves to protest Signature based on peace order and quiet. Kenlee Ray, in addition to members of the board, will be a designated representative. Tim seconds the motion; all in favor.

Action Item: Glenn will work with Meg Roggensack and Mike Silverstein to get to a sensible settlement agreement.

Nominating Committee Update

- Brit Beplar, Joe Caruso and Diane Quinn will be added as nominees to the slate.
- Nominee slate for 2021-2022 officers will be:
 - President: Susan
 - 1st VP Charlie
 - 2nd VP Marcy
 - Secretary: Tom Reiter
 - Treasurer: Lance Salonia

Action Item: Glenn will work with Lance and others to finalize the slate and update the offices and terms. Erica will incorporate the final materials into a presentation for the membership meeting/comms.

Programming

Homelessness Committee: Nick Manning, Chair Report

- Final session is on Thursday.
- Series has been well attended, has done a good job illustrating the complexity. Nick will be working with the committee to determine key findings and next steps.

Upcoming Online Meetings

- *March Social Hour:* Professor George Derek Musgrove will discuss History of Black Power in DC with a focus on Dupont Circle
- *April Membership meeting:* Councilmember Robert White; ANC Commissioners Robin Nunn and Daniel Warwick, Nominees will be announced
- *May Membership meeting:* Annual update from W2 Councilmember, Dupont Fountain Representative Aaron DeNu(if available), Votes on Officers and new Board Members, DCCA Grant Recipient (if available)
- June: Councilmember Silverman
- July/August: No meetings for summer break

ACTION: Susan/Glenn will take a look at the bylaws to confirm date of vote.

Nominees will be updated and Glenn will finalize the nominee list and term dates

House Tour -

- We need a House Tour chair
- Marcy is continuing to explore houses and ideas for future tours.

Freedom Garden

- Sony Bono park: Marcy and Phil will update on status at next meeting.

Next meeting: Thursday April 22nd

Meeting ends at 8:47

