

Barbary Coast Neighborhood Association
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
September 23, 2014
640 Davis Street, Unit 13, San Francisco, CA 94111

The meeting began at 6:08 pm and was called to order by Diana Taylor, First Vice President.

Board Members in attendance: David Albert, Adam Bergman, Jim Cunningham, Kathleen James, Geri Koeppel, Carol Parlette, and Diana Taylor.

Board Members absent: Morton Beebe, Bob Harrer, Ranee Lan, and Mary Lou Licwinko.

1. Quorum Call. When the meeting was called to order, there were 7 board members in attendance.
2. Approval of Minutes. The Secretary reported that the minutes of 7/24/14 and 8/18/14 have been approved by email, and have been posted to the BCNA website.
3. Treasurer's Report. Carol Parlette reported that incoming cash for the year-to-date has amounted to \$5,140 and expenses to \$3,923. The cash balance is currently \$6,506. The Board approved the Treasurer's Report unanimously.
4. BCNA Policy on Donations. Tabled until a later meeting with more Board members present.
5. October Social Event. Adam Bergman reported that he and Ranee Lan are arranging to co-sponsor a family Halloween Party with members from The Gateway to take place on Friday evening, October 31, to be held on the plaza level of The Gateway. The Board approved of our co-sponsorship and authorized a maximum expenditure of \$250.
6. Proposed Affordable Housing Project on Lot SWL 322-1. Jim Cunningham reported on the two meetings of the Working Group he has attended in the absence of Bob Harrer and Diana Taylor. The Working Group is led by a representative of the Mayor's Office of Housing and includes representatives from the Port and members of the community. It is expected to discuss all matters related to a specific project and eventually recommend a draft RFP to the Port Commission. Jim said that the meetings have been cordial but he felt that little has been accomplished. The Mayor's Office of Housing and the Port both want the project to be for low income housing, and the non-availability of financing for anything else is regularly given as the reason for rejecting anything else. The second meeting was interesting, but was almost fully taken by John Stewart of North Beach Place discussing the details of that project done 10 years ago to see if there were any lessons to be learned. The main thing we learned was that the financing sources then available are not available now. The process will continue – the Mayor's Office of Housing expressed hopes of presenting something to the Port Commission in December, but that date is not firm. Diana Taylor also reported on the strategy meeting that she and Jim Cunningham held with some other community members of the Working Group. Several matters were discussed, in relation to both developing more information on how such projects work and on other possible sources of financing. These efforts will continue.
7. Teatro ZinZanni. Jim Cunningham reported that Teatro ZinZannini now intends to present its plans to the Port Commission on Tuesday, October 14, at what is intended to be an information

only meeting. They have asked if they can meet with the BCNA Board on Wednesday, October 15, as part of their community outreach. Jim said he has been discussing with them expanding that meeting to include other local groups, namely board representatives of the three Golden Gateway Commons buildings, the Gateway Tenants Association and FOGG. The Board agreed with the approach and authorized Jim to arrange such a meeting. Teatro ZinZanni has said that they are confident the Port will make a facility available for the meeting.

8. Membership. Kathleen James reported that membership had hit a peak in 2013, which was a year with several important issues confronting the neighborhood, but that almost 50 people had not renewed for the current year. She will circulate the names to the other members of the Board to see if they can follow up to seek renewals or if they know a reason for the non-renewal. She and David Albert will be recommending a strategy regarding membership to the Board in the coming months.
9. Eastern Neighborhoods. Geri Koepfel has met with the Eastern Neighborhoods Group during the absence of Bob Harrer, and said that the relationship is worth pursuing because of the work that group is doing regarding transportation issues along the full length of The Embarcadero.
10. Central Station Police Advisory Board. Geri Koepfel reminded the Board that the SFPD Central Station Captain's Community Meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of every month at different locations in their area, and that everybody is invited.
11. Next meeting date. To be determined. (Subsequently set as Tuesday, October 28.)
12. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jim Cunningham,
Secretary