

**Lyndale Neighborhood Association  
Regular meeting of LNA Board**

Monday, March 11, 2024

6:30 –8:00 PM

Minutes prepared by Chaz Larson, Secretary

X	Josef Oreskovich, President		X	Holly Reckel, Vice President
X	Michael Nelson, Treasurer		X	Chaz Larson, Secretary [late]
	Mohammed Hirsi [excused]			OPEN
X	Doug Herkenhoff		X	Pavlina Tesch
	Mary Trondson [excused]		X	Jonathan Beckel
X	Stephen McHenry		X	Sami Smetana, Exec. Director

6:34 - Meeting call to order-  
**Passing of 3/11/2024 agenda**

Michael moves

Jonathon seconds

Unanimous passage

**Passing of 02/12/2024 minutes**

Jonathon moves

Holly seconds

Unanimous passage

6:35 - Grayson presentation - Education Program

Working on ELDAS [English Learners Digital Assistance System]; creating it from scratch

Most digital literacy education assumes knowledge of English and computer basics

Large project; using Northstar project as reference

coordinates student laptop distro

Learning Somali, which is a challenge due to lack of education resources

Volunteers are all native English speakers

From Board, would like more engagement perhaps; it's still not clear why he's there sometimes.

6:50 - [Advisory Board position](#)

- Board election plans and how do we handle the open position

Word of mouth

Steven moves to amend bylaws to make room for an advisory board position as outlined in attachment.

Holly seconds

Discussion:

Doug: supports idea; great way to have outreach and contact with neighborhood entity staff

Unanimous passage

- Board recruitment?

Have reached out to several people about open position.

Board should use word of mouth to try to fill empty position

6:58 - Block Club update

Stephen:

Plan is to grid up the neighborhood and have one LNA contact on each block

Looking for something lower-[friction/responsibility] than "Block Leader"

Stephen to google-doc the program details

7:10 - [Jonathan google docs](#)

7:16 - [ED Announcements](#) – Sami

No adult ed at Lyndale Elementary; PTO says no no no

Driving permit classes back in session at SNAC

Six grants applied for; three are passthrough with some admin dollars

April 22<sup>nd</sup> community gathering is book fest; there is some pushback about how this was supposed to be a board decision. Need structure around coming up with the ideas.

7:37 - [Holly Cap Presentation](#)

Community Action Plan in board packet

Discussion about form and ways to structure it.

Michael moves to adopt the CAP form as the tool committees use to propose and get approved projects or events.

Holly seconds.

Doug: cautious about adoption due to challenge of filling stuff out.

Unanimous passage

**Committee Updates-** [reminder to use minute template](#)

7:51 - Environment- Plant Sales - Holly

[LNA CAP 2024 Enviro Plant Sale](#)

Michael moves to approve as presented

Doug seconds

Unanimous passage

~~7:40 - Crime & Safety - Wheels and Bike Rodeo - Mary~~

7:54 - Housing Committee - Burger King lot update – Michael

Good meeting last week; recorded meeting

Burger King lot is another affordable seniors project; early in process

Casablanca is entering formal city process

8:00 - Election Results - Josef

[Travel reimbursement policy](#)

Josef moves approval of policy as presented.  
Michael seconds.  
Unanimous approval.

8:03

Doug moves to adjourn  
Micheal seconds  
Unanimous approval