

EHFNA Board Meeting Minutes
December 4, 2019; 7 – 8:40 pm

Walker Methodist Health Center, 3737 Bryant Ave S

Board Members in Attendance: Jon Martin, Brian Nalezny, Maggie Zawasky, Bob Carney Jr., Rick Michel, Maria Fisness, Peter Ecklund, Beth Popalisky

Board Members Absent: Peter Allen, Jenny Taplin, Karen Binkowski

Non-Board Members: David Rubedor

1. Announcements - none
2. Motion to approve November 6, 2019 meeting minutes
Jon Martin made a motion to approve November 6, 2019 meeting minutes.
Maggie Zawasky seconded.
All in favor – yes by all board members in attendance.
3. Park Report (Sara Richards)
 - a. Current classes have been spread out to other parks
 - b. Opening is TBD, scheduled for April but start was delayed. Programming to begin in June.
 - c. Sara will look into having EHFNA credited on signage around the construction project.
 - d. Skating rink will open pending cold enough weather, goal is December 20
4. David Rubedor
 - a. Census – the city needs our help to get the word out about the census. Minneapolis receives \$2800 for every person counted. Projected possible undercount of 100,000 people means missing out on \$2.8M a year, \$2.8B until then next census 10 years later. Children under 5 biggest missed group as parents don't think to include them. Minneapolis Foundation is offering \$750 towards a food event to get neighborhoods to help get out the word. Census will be online only at first in mid-March with enumerators beginning door knocking April 1.
 - b. Elections – new this year, a presidential primary in place of caucus. January 17 is the start of absentee ballots for the primary. You must declare a party in order to receive ballot for primary. Renter turn out for our neighborhood is much lower than home owners. If planning an event for census, consider driving voter registration at the same time. Key Dates:
 - i. Presidential primary – March 3
 - ii. State primary – August 11
 - iii. Presidential election – November 3
5. EHFNA Funds – reviewed line items and available funds
6. CURA/NCR Meetings – general take away from first meeting was that neighborhoods want more funding and flexibility. Board members are encouraged but not required to attend next meetings (December 12, January 9)
7. Committee Reports
 - a. Community Building, Parks, Environment – first neighborhood Happy hour is next week. Kite Fest request for volunteers will come out soon via email. Watch for that.

- b. Housing, Zoning, Business, Schools – had first meeting under new chair on December 3, will develop subcommittee to work on neighborhood branding. Meetings changed to 3^d Tuesday of each month.
 - c. Safety – no update
8. Heart of Dance and Barton Open School

Beth Popalisky made a motion to fund the Heart of the Dance program at Barton Open School at the same level as last year if under \$3,000.

Peter Ecklund seconded.

All in favor – yes by all board members in attendance.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Maggie Zawasky

Approved by

Board President

Brian Nalezny