



**Board Meeting Minutes
February 27, 2019
Brown Paper Tickets Conference Room**

Attending: Pete Hanning, Brandi Gaines, Amina Kapusuzoglu, Carrie Bauer, Suzie Burke, Paul Robinson, Tim Tackett, Michael Wanaka

Staff: Whitney Moore, Caroline Sherman

Guests: Lucy Peterson, Washington State Liquor & Cannabis Board (WSLCB); Jordan Sullivan, Vertice Development Group; Thomas Whittemore, City of Seattle, Department of Neighborhoods; Elizabeth Gray, Eyes on Medicare; Taylor Ann Richardson, Bold Hat Productions

The meeting was called to order at 8:32 AM by Pete.

Introductions

Suzie: Brown Paper Tickets' lease ends in April.

Tom Whittemore: Neighborhood Street Fund, Major Projects grants. Vote online for major projects. Your Voice & Choice. Troll Issues/Friends of Trolls Knoll. FNC came up with prioritization. Working actively to activate the space. Jason Smith is still in the area and a threat.

Guest Presentation: Lucy Peterson, WSLCB

Bold Hat produces Fremont Fair & Oktoberfest. They use our (FC's) liquor license for these events. We have 12 liquor licenses that are for one day each. The Fair uses 3, Oktoberfest, 2. We used one for another event and are looking at other ways to use them.

Lucy: She's here for all our needs. At Oktoberfest last year Lucy prepared a map of all businesses that fall under our license. For example, Fremont Mischief has its own liquor license, so we can't include them in our footprint. No crossing of alcohol from one location into the other. Walk through must be closed off, to avoid mixing alcohols (beer vs hard liquor).

Fremont Fair there were no issues. Try to limit marijuana usage, as well as alcohol drunk out of paper bags. There are more businesses where folks can drink, Leary and Stone Way. Also, FAC has a much bigger presence at Gas Works Park.

WSLCB works predominately on complaints. Feel free to pass along info to WSLCB. Otherwise, if they don't know about it, they can't do anything.

Training and how it's looking now (vis a vis the issue 2 years ago when a minor was able to get through.) Last year did not allow minors, and that seems to be working. It's always a fun time to

mix minors and alcohol. Last year went fine. Sunday is different than Saturday, as Sunday is focused on “families”, with dog walking, etc. Will still be looking at inside vs outside. Smoking ban: FC would love to produce a safe outdoor marijuana garden.

Lucy: Keep doing what we are doing. We may not be able to allow minors again. We’ll know when we apply for the special event permit.

Bouncy toys helped fund BF Day School efforts.

Member Engagement Telethon

Motion to approve the January Board Retreat Minutes was made by Suzie, seconded by Carrie & Michael and was **APPROVED**.

Motion to approve 2019 Budget as presented at the Retreat made by Suzie, seconded by Michael and was **APPROVED**.

Old Business

A. Retreat Review. Enjoyed thoughts of giving assignments to those not present, or the new Guy, Tim!

Chamber Staff Reports—see handouts

- A. Membership and Office Management - Caroline Sherman
- a. See handout
 - b. Walking Guides have arrived! Come pick up your box(es) at Fremont Dock.
- B. Membership & Marketing Dynamo – Whitney Moore
- a. See Whitney’s report
 - b. Win: Fremont Analytical resigned, but we got him to agree to renew.
 - c. Great pat on the back from Emily Vega, American Cancer Society

New Business

- A. Suzie Burke: Piece of Legislation to remove & replace Lenin statue. Check out Fremocentrist article posted last Saturday. The bill suggests that the City of Seattle put it on public property. Not true: privately owned on private property. Suzie interviewed by KUOW: Where can we put that wonderful piece of historic art that the State Legislature wants to give us? We’ve never received anything from the State, but we would be happy to take any art they want to give us.
- Recalls last year’s effort to rally for Lenin’s removal, and someone put a big black dildo on his head.
 - Caroline & Whitney: Send a post card to each legislator: Nice & friendly—we would love to get any art from the State. Feel free to be quippy, but they have it wrong (it’s privately owned, not public art.)
 - We heard from the Council of Ukraine that they are making a Ukrainian Freedom Fighter statue for us. They learned that Lenin is privately owned but thought they could do us a favor.

- The chance of this bill passing is highly unlikely because there are lots of bills entered this session.
- B. Call in all pot holes! “Rat on potholes”. Use Find It Fix It.
- Use Find It Fix It to report camping, too.
- C. Holy Names Academy is splitting the Lake Union Rowing club.

Committee Reports

- A. Public Safety: Glad Dept of Neighborhoods is working with Trolls Knoll. Not clear what we can do with Jason Smith, known troublemaker in Fremont and a veteran, per Officer Joe Bender. Crime Prevention Coordinator Mary Amberg said Jason was downstairs smoking something illicit.
- B. Fremont Neighborhood Council’s Matt Gasperoff died in a skiing accident. He was a great young man. He ran safety videos for the Maritime Industry. He was very involved in painting our utility boxes. He had a really engaging sweet disposition, was always willing to help. Would drive Alfreda Noble home all the time. She was too much mustard for one hot dog! (Said with reverence.)

Telethon

- Caroline presented a reprint of Phil’s On Premise target list. The Board’s assignment is to review it, make contact and urge folks to join, and send any and all updates, contact notes, etc. to Caroline.
 - China Pie is gone
 - Revel is in South Lake Union

New Business

- Rocket & SDOT billing. SDOT has approved the Rocket as Public Art, so we no longer have to pay. However, there is an outstanding bill that still needs to be resolved. We don’t want SDOT to harass Phil Sutens, the owner of the property, as he already gets enough on this and the Lenin statue.
 - Maintenance of the Rocket. It needs a little funding for updating/painting.
- Jon Hegeman wants to move forward on the mural project. Pete suggested he contact us before a board meeting and get on the agenda.
- April 12th Teresa Mosqueda, At-Large City Council member conducting a tour of Fremont. Pete encourages all board members who are interested to participate. Encourages her to start at Red Door. We have 2 At-Large and 7 district members. Ask what has the City Council done to help small businesses? What are you doing to help small businesses in Fremont? It’s appropriate. She’s helpful to the SEIU (an international union.) It makes a big gulf between big business and small businesses. It’s an opportunity to give small businesses a good story and a good face. Don’t find that with big businesses. She has been on City Council for 2 years and has never visited Fremont. Proposed businesses to visit: Red Door, Olympic Jewelry, PCC, Vintage Mall.
- We will do a candidate forum 3rd Wednesday in June for Districts 4 & 6 & 7 at Picnic in the Park/Maritime Academy. Propeller Club, Ballard Alliance, Maritime Academy. Candidates have to look at small/medium business in industry. We used to do this at Gas Works Park.

Father's Day is the week before, this will follow the Fremont Fair/Solstice Parade. It's a great chance to see the Maritime Academy. Food by Trident Seafood.

- Hammering Man Award delivered to Mgr of Pacific Fisherman, Doug Dixon for kicking Mike O'Brian out of the new Nordic Heritage Museum's(?) private party. Mike has not been friendly to maritime industry, and more. He was very pleased. Pacific Fisherman do things with Mischief, and they are the lab that tests out certain equipment for Theo.
- Michael: had a client that worked at Google. She said Google has a list of recommended businesses. Talk to the Google Scavenger hunt guy, Adam Gardner. Brandi will put Michael in contact with Adam. The employees are listened to for stuff like this (recommended businesses list.) Brandi will also send me the Google contact. Consider asking him to list everyone in FC.
- Fremont Rotary (#5030 = all the Rotary Clubs in King Cty) encouraging everyone to donate to Blood Bank. There's an app for that. Please add to the Blast!

Adjourned: Motion to adjourn by Suzie, seconded by Brandi. So moved at 9:42 am.

Minutes submitted by **Caroline Sherman**