

Minutes from SFBC Board Meeting of June 28th, 2016

Attendance:

Present:

Brianne O'Leary Gagnon (President)
Lawrence Li (Treasurer)
Amandeep Jawa (Secretary)
Shirley Johnson
Mary Kay Chin
Lainie Motamedi
Lisa Fisher
Rocky Beach
Andy Toebben
Vanessa Christie
Leah Shahum
Paul Supawanich
Zack Stender

Staff:

Margaret McCarthy (IED)
Tracy Chinn

Guests:

Chema Hernández Gil
Maic Lopez
Jiro Yamamoto
Jeremy Pollock
Madeleine Savit
Katherine Roberts
Scott Yarbrough

Absent:

Jenn Fox
Andy Thornley

Quorum: Yes

Meeting Time: 6:30pm - 9:30pm

Board President Update: Brianne

- - Moment of silence for Heather Miller and Kate Slattery
- - Andy Toebben advised the Board he is not resigning in August. He shared his reasoning which included wanting to following through on his commitment, continue the work of the Governance Committee (particularly since he is the only lawyer on the Board), serve as back up to Andy Thornley who may need to step

down if elected as Supervisor, and because he will be in the Bay Area regularly and able to participate. He noted that Mo Devlin did something similar when she went to graduate school last year.

- - Question about elections process + who is handling what:
 - Board Development: outline process + timeline, consult with staff about feasibility of any changes and implementation/execution
 - Governance Comm: provide feedback regarding Board Development's proposed process + timeline in regards to bylaws; refine majority definition in bylaws; draft recommendations to staff on protocol for member list requests
 - Pro Bono Legal Counsel: review elections process + timeline for legal considerations
 - Staff: implement/execute elections, finalize protocol for member list requests
- - Board Confidentiality Agreement - Board members signed
- - 'Deep presented Endorsements Committee Conflict of Interest Policy
- - reviewed and approved (no vote required)
- - Shirley has requested all committees share meeting notes; there is no legal or bylaw requirement for advisory committees to keep these notes; however, it is beneficial for knowledge sharing; Brianne will follow up with chairs to discuss further
- - Shirley has requested she receive board@ emails as they come in vs. the established process. In March, the board established a process to improve the efficiency and organization for the board@ inquiries. Specifically, these emails are received by the President, Secretary, and Executive Director and the emails are posted and summarized in DropBox by the Sunday before the next scheduled Board meeting; any exigent matters are shared earlier with either the entire Board or the relevant committee. We decided that any board member may request to continue receiving these emails as they are received at that address (See 'deep to be added to the recipients list).

- *Motion to approve May minutes carried (Brianne moved / Leah 2nded: 13-0)*

- *Motion to approve June 5th minutes carried (Brianne moved / Lawrence 2nded: 13-0)*

Executive Director Update & Program Report: Margaret

- Presentation regarding the two bicyclist facilities of last week & organizational followup & actions

- media response
- action emails to membership
- meeting with Mayor

- Moment of silence for Heather Miller & Kate Slattery, the two cyclists who were killed

- Golden Gate Avenue: After approvals last month, a new buffered bike lane was striped from Van Ness to Market on Golden Gate Avenue by removing a lane of travel and significantly calming vehicle speeds on this high-injury corridor. This project was made possible thanks to support and funding from Supervisor Jane Kim. We're working with the city to ensure this street starts seeing much-needed enforcement, as we're hearing from members that the lane is not being respected by cars.

- Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) grant: As grant recipients, we are working with Walk SF to lead Vision Zero-focused trainings at each of the 10 SFPD stations between now and the end of September. The first training was at Central Station last week.
- Safe Speeds: This program is a collaboration between SFMTA, SFPD and the Dept. of Public Health. Walk SF and the SF Bicycle Coalition are involved as community partners. This program has identified several known speed corridors throughout the city and will include a mix of grassroots community outreach through 10 mini-grants for local groups/association, high-visibility marketing around the dangers of speeding and increased enforcement by SFPD. The program has been in planning for the last several months and will move towards implementation this summer/fall.
- November ballot measure: The City is now coalescing around one ballot measure to go before voters this fall to raise sales tax by ¾-cent. A companion charter amendment is proposed to create set-aside funds where ¼-cent will go to homeless services and ½-cent will go to transportation improvements. We have been deeply involved in the planning process to shape how these new revenues will be allocated, as this is projected to bring in about \$100 million/year for transportation. This measure is endorsed both by the mayor and Supervisors Wiener and Avalos, with additional support from Supervisors Farrell and Kim.

Committee Updates:

Fundraising: Rocky

- Thanks to Mary Kay for hosting a fundraiser
- Need to Focus on Golden Wheel
 - Thanks for doing follow ups
 - Keep focused on our continuing follow up calls
 - GW is in 2 weeks

Strategic Planning: Shirley

- Brian to join committee
- Tuesday August 16th will be Board Mixer / Panel
- Gathered info from other organizations
 - 6 month process is too short, ours will be significantly longer
 - working on process & timeline
- Organization to really focus on Strategic Planning this after Golden Wheel

Endorsements: 'Deep

- November's election will be a big one, endorsements committee is reviewing races and will recommend approach
- Next meeting is in late July
- Janice is busy working on candidate questionnaires

Member Comments:

Madeleine Savit - Discussed how to get action about bicyclist fatalities at Vision Zero Summit, advised that we focus on the costs associated with SFPD & SFFFD.

Jiro Yamamoto - Discussed how to get action about bicyclist fatalities at Vision Zero Summit, advised that we work to convince and enlist the aid of rank & file police and first responders because their help is much more necessary and effective than a top down push from City Hall.

Katherine Roberts - Expressed that she upset about last week's fatalities & that Vision Zero's "Focus on the 5" is being ignored. Also expressed that she does not like the process by which the board handles board@ emails. Feels that as a member, she is not respected & shut out. Asks the board to reconsider the process

Chema Gil - Expressed sympathies to staff & thanked them for their hard & compassionate work. Encouraged board and staff to build political alliances with working class San Franciscans in order to increase our power and ability to deal with these issues.

Closed Sessions

- Board discussed Board Development issues in closed session

Signature of Board Secretary:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Amandeep Jawa', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Amandeep Jawa