

Board Meeting Minutes

Date:	May 7, 2021	Location:	Videoconference via Zoom
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Attendance

Voting Officers	Name	Present	Absent	Voting Directors	Present	Absent
President	Eleanor Ingersoll (EI)	X		Cait Allen (CMA)	X	
Vice President	Justin Fishman (JF)	X		Caroline Allen (CA)		X
Treasurer	Mike McPhilmy (MM)	X		Matt Atkins (MA)	X	
Secretary	Meredith Piotrowski (MP)	X		Joe Brin (JB)	X	
Ex Officio				Mark Grabarits (MG)	X	
Executive Director	Lucy Erdelac (LE)	X		Michelle Grimley (MEG)	X	
				Rosamond Howard (RH)	X	
				Noah Swistak (NS)	X	

Meeting Agenda

I. Call to Order

President Eleanor Ingersoll called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. 11 Voting Board members were in attendance therefore a quorum existed, and Board action could be taken. EI notified the members in attendance that Director Caroline Allen has tendered her resignation.

II. Minutes

Secretary Meredith Piotrowski presents the April minutes.

Motion:	MP motions to approve the minutes. JF seconds.
Vote:	Motion passes unanimously.

III. Financials

Treasurer Mike McPhilmy discusses the financials and presents the dashboard which shows the overall financial health of the organization. As of March 31, 2021:

- First-quarter income and expenses are on track with budget and at the same levels as in 2020.
- Parking lot income remains strong. Membership is growing.
- Ad sponsorship income is seasonal. First-quarter income as expected.
- Discussion ensued about the parking lot lease with Interstate Land Management.

JB joined the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Motion:	MM moves to approve the March financials. MP seconds
Vote:	Motion unanimously passes.

IV. Courtyard Mentoring Network

Vice President Justin Fishman presents an overview of the Courtyard Mentoring Network, his pilot project. This group will link up mentors with youth at Courtyard and provide opportunities for acquiring life skills and experiential learning.

Motion:	EI motions to approve the Courtyard Mentoring Network as a QVNA fiscally-sponsored group. MEG seconds.
Vote:	Motion passes unanimously.

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V. Mirage SAOL Renewal

Executive Director Lucy Erdelac presents update on work related to Special Assembly Occupancy License renewals:

- Next SAOL up for renewal (May 27, 2021) is 119 South Street.
- Focus: hold City accountable for compliance with SAOL renewal process in accordance with Code, including enforcement of 30-day public posting of intent to renew license. QVNA stays in contact with L&I, 3rd District Captain Hartzell, Councilman Squilla and other Nightlife Task Force members.
- QVNA compiles information about licensees from its Neighbor Complaint Form on Alcohol-Licensed Nuisance Businesses and other reporting sources.
- Additional information pertaining to SAOL renewals has been requested from the City through a Right-to-Know request.

Motion:	Presentation only.
Vote:	No vote taken.

VI. Grant Committee Update

Treasurer Mike McPhilly presents an update of the Grant Committee recommendations. There were four grant applications.

- Friends of Mario Lanza: applied for \$2000 for lawn care services.
- Meredith School: applied for \$3000 for Chromebooks.
- South Philly Acoustic Jam: applied for \$1000 to help fund practice and indoor jam session space at Gloria Dei and Settlement Music School.
- 3rd District Police Advisory Council Project: Rise Up: applied for \$4000 to create programs to teach 10-16-year-olds life skills and provide/fund opportunities for activities such as sports and tutoring. Discussion ensued and the Board needs additional information to be able to make a decision.

Motion:	No motion is made. It is agreed to table the decision until the June Board meeting.
Vote:	No vote is taken.

VII. Zoning Committee Update

Director Noah Swistak presents an update on the following variance applications:

- 503-05 S. 6th Street - Initial public meeting was on 12.9.20. Refusal for insufficient rear yard depth at 503 and interior street level parking garages at 503 and 505. Committee opposed request for variances. Applicant recently requested a continuance ahead of 4.28.21 ZBA hearing and has indicated an intent to present revised plans to QVNA.
- 714 S. Randolph Street - Initial public meeting was on 4.14.21. Refusal for two family household in RSA-5 district. Committee did not support request for variances.

Motion:	Presentation only.
Vote:	No vote taken.

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VIII. CDAG Update

Director Noah Swistak presents:

*The Central Delaware Advocacy Group (CDAG) is a group of representatives from 15 riverfront community organizations that serve as stewards for the central Delaware. They are the DRWC's primary civic engagement partner for implementing the Master Plan for the Central Delaware. QVNA is a member of CDAG.

*Durst is proposing 28-story development, "Vine Street," at 300 N. Columbus Blvd.

*Following April 8 community meeting, CDAG issued letter to Durst on April 15, requesting the following issues be addressed:

- Compromised Waterfront Connection
- Hostile Frontage to Water Street Residents
- Acknowledgment of Historical Neighborhood Fabric and Place-keeping
- Compromised Columbus Boulevard Frontage
- No Acknowledgement of West Shipyard

*Meeting scheduled for tomorrow morning to address concerns with Durst, CDAG, and River's Edge Community Association.

Motion:	Presentation only.
Vote:	No vote taken.

IX. Emergency Town Hall

EI presents an overview of last night's Emergency Town Hall regarding the safety and quality of life issues presented by the dirt bikes, ATVs, and motorcycles.

X. Other Business

Motion:	Presentation only.
Vote:	No vote taken.

XI. Meeting Adjournment

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Meredith Piotrowski on May 31, 2021.