

Fan District Association

Board of Directors

Meeting Minutes

October 13, 2023

7:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER

Rebecca Keller, President, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Board Members Present: Rebecca Keller, Kimberly Hitchens, Julie Seward, Madison Pastore, Greg Holzgrefe, Daniella White, Chris Morem

Absent: Ted Theofanos, Gary Levine, Melissa Savenko

Guests: Luke Schrader, VCU; Sven Philipson, 2nd District Council Office; Officer Sampson

Guest Presentations

- A. **Safety:** Since last month: 0 robberies, 1 assault, 2 burglaries, 29 shoplifting, 17 car burglaries
VCU: upstaffing for Halloween night, might have an administrative checkpoint over the Halloween weekend. Frat related complaints are down from last year.
- B. **City Council, 2nd District:** fan area has been rezoned, and might see new names on ballot. First engagement session for the cultural resource plan. Rebecca will send info to the board. 1st week of Nov council meetings will be with RPS. Tool bank available for graffiti in the second district, includes power washers. Pavement replacement is underway and Sven will work with vendors next year to improve communications. Jordan is a no for casinos. FDA wishes to have streets cleaned before holiday house tour. Currently we are on the early side of the schedule. Suggestion that we move that to after thanksgiving.

President's Report

- A. Approve September Meeting Minutes - will be coming out shortly for approval in November meeting
- B. Urban Forestry - Betsy and Rebecca met with the new forester to get a preview of the overall strategy. They are planning to do the adopt a tree program next spring.
- C. Fan Arts Stroll - we are looking for a project manager and we will provide a budget
- D. HHT Board Volunteerism - reach out to Ann Niel Crosby about volunteering opportunities. Board members should do their best to support as much as they can.

Treasurer's Report

Will be emailed post meeting

Committee Updates and Discussions - Refer to packet for committee updates.

- A. City Affairs - building Fan presence on city boards and commissions. Is this a goal? Martha is part of historic Richmond and a group has been working to create a cultural resource plan which will outline a strategy for historic buildings. Board members are encouraged to take the survey to let the City know we think historical neighborhoods are important to preserve, due by nov 13 (link will be emailed)

Carry Over Business

- A. New Resident Reception -will be on Nov 4th at Rebecca's house from 10-12 for a brunch. Board members are encouraged to attend. Future events will likely be an invitation to the next membership event.
- B. Vote to update Bylaws - No update
- C. Good Neighbor Guide – tabled until after the holidays
- D. FDA Markers – “getting credit where credit is due!” - we would like someone to be in charge of marketing. Possible intern opportunity

New Business

- * None

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.