



**Historic South Downtown Board Meeting- Minutes April 28, 2015**  
**216 First Avenue; Conference Room; Seattle, WA 98102**

**Asset Mapping Project:** Guest presenters, Joanne Ware from Interlm CDA and Cara Bertron from SCIDPDA, presented information on a Chinatown-International District Housing and Development Assessment. They will be collecting quantitative information and conducting a survey with local organizations, property owners, business owners, and residents. The presenters passed around a sign-up seeking volunteers for focus groups and taking a survey. The final report will be published at the end of 2015.

**April 2015 Board Meeting: Jan Drago called the meeting to order @ 5:10 P.M.**

- Board members present: Brendan Donckers, Jan Drago, Don Blakeney, Gary Johnson, Karl Mueller, Phil Fujii, Al Poole, Maiko Winkler-Chin, Jim Kelly, Stephanie Wascha, Liz Stenning, Elaine Ikoma Ko,
- Members absent: Chris Arkills
- Staff: Marlene McIntosh

**Approval of the Minutes:** Subject to Liz's amendment of changing "*January to February 2015 Board Meeting;*" the February and March minutes were approved. Gary Johnson moved and Don Blakeney seconded. Phil Fujii and Maiko Winkler-Chin abstained since they had not attended the meetings.

**Committee Reports:**

- **Treasurer Report:**  
Don circulated financial statements and reported HSD finances have not changed from last month. Don announced he has accepted a new job with the Downtown Seattle Association, necessitating his resignation from the board. Brendan noted that Don has provided outstanding service in his four years on our board, and will be greatly missed.
- **Washington Landings:**  
Jan reported the next Washing Landings public open house will be June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30 – 8:30 P.M. at the Ruth Fisher Room in Union Station. E-invitations will be go out soon to CID/PS neighbors. Additional outreach sessions are being planned for Stadium District stakeholders and limited or non-English speaking residents of the CID.

Discussion followed about neighborhood connections to the waterfront from CID/PS; barriers to this project; and possible consultants for additional project work. Liz

noted there are several studies underway within the two neighborhoods and the right consultant could help pull these projects together. Jan suggested HSD consider assembling our own team together for a thorough exploration of ongoing studies, plans and potential gaps. Gary Johnson, Maiko Winkler-Chin, Liz Stenning, Phil Fujii and Brendan Donckers will serve on this fact finding committee.

- **Bridge/Outreach:**

Stephanie announced the last website training session is Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup> and Marlene will be adding more items to the calendar.

- **Elections:**

Brendan proposed the following slate of Executive Officers: President, Brendan Donckers; Vice President, Jan Drago; Treasurer, Stephanie Wascha; and Secretary, Liz Stenning. The election was formalized; Gary moved, and Don seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

- **Legislative Update:**

Jim reported on bill HB-1223 Sustainable Workplace Opportunities sponsored by Representative Sharon Tomiko Santos was passed and signed by Governor Inslee on Saturday. There was discussion about follow-up actions to better plan for implementation.

- **Retreat:**

Jan reported there would be three main points to be covered during the retreat: 1) HSD History; 2) HB 1223 Sustainable Workforce Opportunities; and 3) Washington Landings (*future projects*). There was discussion about confirming the consultant. The date was changed to Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 – 7:00 P.M. The location will be in a conference room at BMW Seattle at 1002 Airport Way South.

The Executive Committee met with consultant, Leslie Haynes, to discuss retreat facilitation. It was suggested Jan distribute Leslie's resume to the HSD Board via email for confirmation. The consultant's scope will included: conducting interviews with HSD Board members by telephone to vet the agenda, helping with preparation of outside presenters, facilitating the retreat, and preparing a debrief with recommendations.

## Adjourn:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 P.M.

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

2015 Meeting Schedule | 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Each Month @ 5PM | Grand Central Conference Room

January	27	May	26	September	22
February	24	June	26 Retreat	October	27
March	24	July	28	November	10 Annual Meeting
April	28	August	25	December	8 New Board Orientation
				December	22 ** Holiday Schedule