

HSD Board Meeting
April 27, 2021

Attendees:

Board - Jamie Lee, Julie Fonseca de Borges, Tuyen Than, Diane Le, Karen True, Shava Lawson, Jessica Rubenacker, Ken Takahashi, Dana Phelan, Azar Koulibaly, Derek Lum

Staff - Kathleen Johnson, James King, Jr, Mary Kate Ryan

Community Members: Chris Liu (Spark the Parks), Betty Lau (Friends of Japan Town), Tagoipah (ICHS Foundation), Orlando Cano

Agenda & Minutes

Call to Order

5:03 pm by Jamie Lee

Welcome Guests/Public Comment

Betty Lau - recurring email list? Not getting all the agendas and meeting dates. Kathleen: went out late this month, normally goes out the weekend before the meeting, but she is happy to send the meeting info directly, please contact Kathleen directly

Welcome Mary Kate!

Consent Agenda

No discussion.

Ken Takahashi moved to approve. Karen Trie seconded. No abstentions, no nays. Motion carries.

Grant Reports

Grant Update: Spark the Parks - Chris Liu, ED

Last reported was in Nov 2019 - moved to online to serve youth (video screenings, book distribution, lunar new year celebration, translation of recreation guidance materials), response to COVID pandemic mitigation to better equip/ distribute supplies unhoused residents, made and distributed of air filters throughout C-ID — HSD funding supported these activities in part or whole — Translation service/language requested specifically Recreate Responsibly organization — Kathleen: great example of an organization that pivoted to meet the demands of a pandemic reality — Chris Liu appreciates the flexibility channel support to best adapt to the situation

Legislative Update

Bill 1471: bill passed and signed into law by governor! This bill helps clarify HSD role/purpose as a state agency. Also provides HSD \$500,000 for this coming year. Also extends terms of board members - more to come.

Retroactive language? None included, but goes into full effect July 25.

Retreat Follow Up

General Impressions/Feedback:

- No real trends or key takeaways from Sapna's perspective.
- Shava: a great conversation, enjoyed small break-out groups and large conversation, and Sapna's process to help us through the topics/concerns
- Kathleen will send out retreat materials to everyone after today's tag- appreciate the discussion of evolving thought vs word smithing; energy around defining what HSD legacy would look like; next steps - create equity Ad Hoc + Strategic Plan Task Force
- Jamie: cited breakout rooms, Sapna's process/framework, curious about the next steps and moving forward
- Tuyen: love the images and the concepts, Sapna's process
- Julie: Possible to bring back Sapna to help us through the next steps? Kathleen: possible, but may be a decision for the

Verification of Equity Vote

- Email Vote regarding board's ongoing concern to equitably support efforts in both neighborhoods, the board voted on the following two step proposal:
 - Step 1. Staff, in consultation with the Grant Making Committee, will use the remaining funding available from the King County contract to ensure an overall equal division of grants made to Pioneer Square and Chinatown ID.
 - Step 2: The Board of Directors will convene an ad hoc committee to create a process to gather the information necessary to determine HSD's equitable support for both neighborhoods, hereafter.
- All yay's via email
- No further discussion today
- Motion to Ratify Email Vote between March 23 - April 1 by Julie Fonseca de Borges; Seconded by Dana Phelan
- No Abstentions, No nays
- Motion Carries

Kathleen to solicit **Equity Ad Hoc** Committee members before next meeting.

New potential task force - **Strategic Plan Task Force**. Work to be completed by July Board meeting. This committee to be a subset of the sustainability committee. Kathleen will again solicit members before the next board mtg.

May and June board mtgs to focus largely on budget items.

Good of the Order

Tuyen: 2 fires today in Chinatown (salon at 3am) and one on 8th (around noon). Bombay is open on Tuesdays with outdoor seating. April 21st

Happy Birthday, Tuyen!

Karen/Julie: East-West pedestrian improvements in P-SQ to connect the neighborhood to the waterfront. Take a look, public comments through May 17th — Pioneersquare.participate.online

Tagoipah: ISCH foundation sponsoring material in International Examiner soon. Work sponsored in part by HSD.

June board mtg may actually beheld in the C-ID, following CCD guidance.

See James if you would like a COVID vaccine. In addition to Lumen Field and Bread of Life Mission are also vaccination sites. Jamie in her other role is hoping to have conversations about how to encourage vaccination-hesitant community members to take the COVID vaccine. ISCH has been doing outreach education along with James.

Adjourned at 5:51pm by Jamie Lee.