

WHAC Meeting Minutes April 2019

Meeting called to order, Clarence Taylor

March Minutes Approval, Katie Neltner: Motion to approve Toni Miller, Kathryn Gardette Second. Approved

Treasurer Report, Geoff Sutton: Motion to accept, Jena Bradley, Second Jeff Hall. Approved

Invitation for membership, Laura Davis

Safety reports:

- District 4 Officer Roper-Issa: Warmer weather brings more criminal activity—please notify police if you see suspicious activity. 765-1212 is the non-emergency number. 569-8600 is District 4 number. Double shooting at the UDF (still being investigated).
- Ladder 23
- Little League Baseball: 4-14 years old on Ashland Park. Please sign up your child, and let us know if you would like to be a coach!

Cincinnati Rec Commission/Bush, Vanessa Henderson: Summer camps beginning—contact Vanessa if you know of kids who would like to enroll (Job and Family Services vouchers are accepted). Also recruiting kids to join soccer teams sponsored by FCC, and transportation from Bush is included. Pickle ball sign ups happening (games on Mondays 6-7:30). Looking for lifeguards (neo.gov). Call for membership—good for any rec center

- **Community School Douglass/Spencer:**
- Mychael Haley will be helping to grow baseball program. Idea to partner with Flint Michigan to help with water drive. Bring water donations to Douglass by April 15.
- New playground going in Spencer—community is free to use it in non-school hours. Please help calm streets down by watching blinking lights and drive the speed limit. Call if you see drug activity or prostitution in cars

Planning and Development Report, Katy Dietz: not present

Affordable/Workforce Housing Presentation, Mary Cabrini and Aprina: Housing Resources meetings—call for involvement. Focus is mostly on rental resources:

- Housing Resources Guide (work in progress—please let Aprina know if you have suggestions)
- Meetings—intent is to create a resource for bring issues to the table. Third Thursdays at 6pm at Bush, beginning on May 16
- Free Store: home search resources
- Home owner resources: energy savings, repairs, legal aid, etc.

Square Roots/Affordable Housing Prototype, Jerod Theobald/Emily Ahouse: Design competition centered around using shipping containers for housing (national and local designers).

Cincinnati State Tech and Community College, Betty Richards: Government funded grant for any post-secondary program for individuals who have completed secondary school. Deal with 1,000 people/year: 19+ years old, first generation, no income. If you have not completed secondary school,

there are resources for completing. Tools to connect students to scholarships and help with financial aid. Free ESL classes for the public.

Go Zero Services/Food Waste Compost, David Andre: not present

Hamilton County Library/Walnut Hills, Kendal Kidder-Goshorn: Surveying public for unmet needs from the library. Library assistant job opportunity available—application available online. Partnering with Lighthouse and Queen City Pantry. Will also be working with CoMADE to utilize their tool lending library (how to replicate). Other special summer programming ongoing.

Cincinnati Art Museum, Carrie Atkins Marcus: Getting ramp to front of building

Redevelopment Foundation report, Emily Sheckles Ahouse:

- Streetscape Request/Vote: Seeking letter of support for streetscaping (\$200,000) Motion Toni Miller, Second Mary Cabrini, approved. Seeking letter of support for gateway art project (\$30,000) Motion Kathryn Gardette, Second Kaeu, approved.
- Seeking grant for Derner building. 1st stage of development funded. Presentation May 2 at Bush at 6:30pm. Will present at May 9 WHAC meeting
- Workforce Development
- Environment/Beautification: KW agents will be cleaning up around Bush on May 9 for “Red Day”
- Street food festival: Sept 28—please sign up with Emily if you would like to be involved in planning or sponsoring or participating in the event.

Historical Society, Jena Bradley: meeting next Wednesday April 17 6:30-8pm at the Greenwich

Community Announcements:

- Green Man Twist opens tomorrow!
- Donut shop opens soon
- Percussion classes Saturday mornings at Miller-Gardette
- Mindfulness Mondays at Miller-Gardette
- Melrose YMCA 6-7:20 cooking demonstration
- Sign up the youth for baseball league
- Community Reinvestment Area Information Session 4/16 (6-7 commercial, 7-8 residential). Office of Tamaya Dennard
- Pedestrian Safety Summit 4/29 6-8pm Evanston Rec Center