# Rainier Beach Community Club Meeting Minutes (3/8/23)

### Board Members in Attendance

In Attendance Alan Ross Kathie Weibel Jessica Reisman Anne Nolan Anne Anderson Marcus Miglorie

Gerd Prewett Heidi McKibbin-Cooper

22 other RBCC members in attendance, plus 2 speakers

## **RBCC Meeting**

1. Meeting attendees approved the February 2023 member meeting minutes. (Membership Meeting Minutes)

- 2. Our 2 new trustees, Marcus Miglorie and Heidi McKibbin-Cooper were introduced to attending members and the following Committee heads were approved by attending members:
  - a. Social / Membership Jessica Reisman
  - b. Technology Alan Ross
  - c. Finance Marcus Miglorie
- 3. Attending members approved Adam Kastan to replace Erin as Trustee.

#### Old Business:

- 1. Calendar of Event Updates for 2023
- 2. Jessica reviewed RBCC's Calendar of Events for 2023, which includes a Game Night on 3/18, from 7-10. Families and all ages are welcome. Light snacks will be served, otherwise BYOB. Feel free to bring your own games.
- 3. Anne elaborated on RBCC's 3/2/23 "good news" email concerning SPU's plan to completely revisit its Taylor Creek Restoration project to minimize tree impact. SPU says Option 3 is still on the table.
- 4. Karhie advised that RBCC's grant request of the city will help fund the Garden Tour, Art & Crafts Fair, Family Movies and the HUB.

#### Announcements

- 1. Ron Angeles briefly discussed the Rainier Beach Emergency HUB and the Urban Survival Skills Training scheduled for June 3rd at the Rainier Beach Community Center. Volunteers are needed to man the demonstration tables.
- 2. Brendan Works announced that his Waters Avenue Project has been awarded at \$5000 grant for more plantings, including 9 cherry trees. His group still needs more funding to complete its 2023 vision as well as volunteers.
- 3. Brett's first Monthly Music Nights starts 3/14 from 7-9 pm. It will be on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. All are welcome. Please RSVP to Brett.

- 4. Ron Angeles announced that, starting 4/23 from 3-6 pm, there will be a series of Sunday Jazz Jams. The first 90 minutes will be his 5-6 piece combo playing jazz standards followed by an open jam session.
- 5. Gerd announced that RBCC will celebrate its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at the May 10 Membership Meeting, Light snacks and celebratory beverages will be served and the Rainier Historical Society will speak. More info to come about this fun event

## **Featured Speakers:**

• Michael McPhearson, Executive Director of the Emerald and Phil Manzano, most recently news editor of the Emerald, spoke on the status of small newspapers in the US and Seattle and how the closing of these newspapers will impact neighborhoods such as ours. They also discussed the Emerald's history, mission and thoughts about the future. The Emerald was started in 2014 with an eye on more fairly representing South Seattle from a BIPOC perspective that mainstream outlets rarely reflect. It is funded by donations and ads. With a staff on 1 F/T employee and contract journalists, it published 960 articles in 2022 (2.6/day). It hopes its future will include podcasts, videos and more staff.

## **Next Month's Speaker:**

Oliver Bazinet on the Hutchinson Park renovation.