

RBCC BOARD MEETING 1/24/24

In Attendance: Gerd Prewett Alan Ross Adam Kastan
 Jessica Reisman Anne Nolan Marcus Miglorie
 Kathie Wiebel Anne Armstrong Glenda Graham-Walton

Discussion Items (*action items in bold italic*)

1. November Board meeting minutes were approved
2. Treasurer's Report - Gerd reported a cash balance of \$42,113 in RBCC's accounts. This is net of \$5K earmarked for the Waters Project and \$1,992 for Hutchinson Park. Gerd reports continued strong rental inquiries.
3. Meaningful Movies – First one is Saturday, 2/17, 7 pm. Film IS "Covenant of the Salmon People." (February's speaker). Jess said the flyer is done and that she plans to advertise event on FB, website and Calendar of Events.
4. Game Night: On 1/20 had 21 attendees (less than previous ones but it was a fun time and cost only \$22). Next one is 3/23.
5. Brett's Open Jam: Was on 1/24.
6. Beach Talks: Wednesday, 1/31 from 7-8 pm. Next Talk: Historic Homes of Rainier Beach, focusing on 5 homes. Marcus will provide a map of the homes' general locations and has been able to notify 4 of the 5 owners (he will try again to make contact with the fifth).
7. Wine Tasting: Saturday, 2/10 from 7-10pm. Valentine's theme with dark chocolate pairing. Alan reported only 4 prepays so far. Expects more as date nears.
8. Homespun Tale Story Hour: Thursday, 2/22, 7 pm. Jess is working with contributors to make sure that they show.
9. Next Jazz Jam will be Sunday 4/21 from 3-6pm
10. Introduction flyer – It is done and will be part of a package with RBCC's Calendar of Events and Welcome flyer. ***Su will provide monthly updates on folks who have moved into RB and Marcus will look into adding a mention/photo of RBCC to realtors' sales ads.***
11. First Aid Kit in Kitchen - Gerd checked and confirmed that the kit is well-stocked with unexpired items.
12. Calendar of events flyer – ***Jess will get the next reprint to include correct Fall and Seed Swap date.***
13. Request for Free Rental for open meditation group – Henry is willing to pay when he is interested and ready.
14. Hutchinson Park Renovation – ***Marcus may join their advisory group.***

New Business:

1. RBCC Board agreed on the following Committee assignments:

- Fiscal - Su (Chair), Gerd, Alan, (***Kathie agreed to audit 2023 records***)
- Building - Su (Chair), Marcus and Gerd
- Social/Membership - Jessica (Chair), Heidi and Marcus
- Technology - Marcus (Chair), Anne A and Alan

2. 2024 Short-Term Goals

- Replace windows (write a grant); need to check if approvals are needed.
- Increase rental fees (include pay-pal fees) so it is the same regardless of how renters pay.
- Revise page 6, which is confusing to many renters.
- Replace the current Insurance Agent
- Launch Meaningful Movies
- Distribute welcome flyers to new residents of Rainier Beach
- Get member input at Feb. meeting on potential speaker topics.

3. 2024 Long-Term Goals

- Start discussion about what to do if VFW cannot manage the building anymore.
- Set aside \$XX for long-term growth via investments.

4. Continue These Events/Activities in 2024

- Arts and Crafts Market (Leslie Lowe and Suki Chase in charge)
- Wine Event
- Harvest Social
- Ice Cream Social
- Game Nights
- Masked Halloween Gala fundraiser for RVFB
- Beach Talks
- Jazz Jam (Ron Angeles group)
- Plant and Seed Shares
- Music Nights (Brett Boynton)
- Support of Friends of Dead Horse Canyon, Garden Stroll, Emergency Hub, Boo-Bash and Back2School
- Remain Fiscal Sponsor for the Waters Median Group and Friends of Hutchinson Park
- Participate in One Day Seattle Day of Service's neighborhood clean-up

5. Board agreed to keep current Board and member meeting dates and times.

6. Board agreed that drafts of member meeting notices should be routed to the Board 1 week prior to meeting, with the MailChimp email sent on the Monday just prior to the actual meeting.

7. *Anne N will arrive at member meetings by 6:45 to ensure she captures emails of new members.*

8. Board decided introductions before each meeting be limited to new members.
Marcus will investigate getting a better microphones with Bluetooth for speakers.
9. Name Tags – Board decided that these will be optional.
10. Upcoming speakers: (***Anne will draft a speaker checklist for Alan's review***)
 - (a) FEB – Meaningful Movies by Jessica Reisman
 - (b) MAR – New Pvt. HS at Ryan/Renton Ave. for low income students (Gerd)
 - (c) APR -
 - (d) MAY*
 - (e) JUN*

* Kathie will provide contacts so ***Anne can reach out to John Stafford (WA legis. session update), KC Public Health (Covid lessons-learned) and Anti-Defamation League.***

NEXT BOARD MEETING: 2/28/24 at 7:00 PM