Rainier Beach Community Club Annual Meeting Minutes (03/13/24)

Board Members in Attendance

In Attendance: Gerd Prewett Alan Ross Anne Nolan

Anne Anderson Marcus Miglorie

14 other RBCC members in attendance, plus 1 speaker

RBCC Meeting

Alan reported a cash balance of \$46,426 in RBCC's accounts, net of \$5K earmarked for the Waters Project, \$1839 for Hutchinson Park and \$626 for the Emergency Hub. He also mentioned that \$20K of our funds are now in a 12-mo. CD, bearing 4.75% interest.

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

Old Business:

- 1. Homespun Tales on 2/22. Gerd said the event was well-received with 20-25 attending. 8 stories were recounted. The next event will be in 2025.
- 2. Gerd gave updates on the following recent suggestions by members:
 - The Emergency HUB will be speaking to RBCC in Sept.
 - Dana should contact SPD Liaison Mark Solomon re: Neighborhood Watch

New Business:

1. Funding Request: RBCC is planning to replace 3 windows at the club so they can open at the top. We have one quote for \$15,000 for all the windows. The Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections require a permit if the project is \$6,000 or more. Therefore, our plan is to split this project in three and do one window at the time. We intend to apply for a Neighborhood Grant for \$5,000 and use volunteer hours for the required match. In case we need up to \$6,000 for the first phase of this project, Members authorized the Board to use up to \$1,000 from available funds to cover the gap towards this project

New Business / Announcements

- Gerd said Friends of Hutchinson park are considering adding art to the park improvements. They are asking the community to complete a survey asking if this is a good idea and what kind of art people would like to see. The link is: https://forms.gle/diUrcAbAnyfSJcDY7. The survey can also be accessed from their website: www.hutchinsonpark.org
- Gerd said Mary Magenta will lead an art walk at Kubota Garden on Sunday March 17 at 2 pm. Meet near the parking lot and bulletin board. The walk will take a little over an hour.

3. Be'er Sheva Park's official reopening is 4/13 from noon-4.

Upcoming Events: (Visit https://rainierbeachcommunityclub.org/events/complete list)

- <u>Game Night</u> Saturday, March 23, 7-10pm. Bring your favorite beverage and board game (if you wish). Snacks will be provided.
- <u>Neighborhood Music Nights</u>, every 4th Wednesday, 7-9pm. Next date: March 27
- Meaningful Movies, Saturday, April 6, 7-9pm. Topic: Stories of Us Camp Second Chance, on the homeless crisis. Check out other Meaningful Movies at MeaningfulMovies.org
- Beach Talks, Tuesday, April 9, 7-9pm. Topic: Historic Homes of Rainier Beach: Second Edition
- <u>Plant and Seed Share</u>, Saturday, April 20, 10am-12pm. Share your garden bounty with your neighbors at this fun social event and go home with lots to plant.
- Jazz Jam, every 3rd Sunday, 3-6pm. Next Jam: April 21
- One Seattle Day of Service, May 18 from 10-noon. Alan seeks a non-Board co-chair to identify and divvy up work assignments

Tonight's Speaker:

Paul Hogan discussed a new college-prep high school (Cristo Rey Seattle Jesuit, CRSJ) for low income students opening later this year, located at St Paul's campus at the corner of 57th Ave S and Renton Ave S. It will exclusively serve students who qualify for free or reduced lunches and provide counseling, advisors and internships (the pay from which goes to offset the student's \$2500 tuition). Tuitions actually paid average \$1000. All faiths are welcome, though the curriculum does include "Hebrew/Christian" religion classes as well as comparative religion classes. Paul reviewed plans to renovate the campus and CRSJ's eventual enrollment goal of 440 freshmen-seniors. CRJS has over 30 local corporate sponsors and 80 colleges have pledged to pay up to 85% of tuition, room & board for any CRJS who academically qualifies.

Future Speakers:

- April Callista Kennedy, King County Public Health
- May John Stafford, Legislative Liaison, 2024 WA State Legislative Session

Next Community Meeting: April 10, 2024