

## Rainier Beach Community Club Meeting Minutes (7/9/25)

### Board Members in Attendance

**In Attendance:** Alan Ross                      Marcus Miglorie              Su Harambe  
Jessica Reisman              Anne Nolan              Nancy Bowman

10 other RBCC members in attendance, plus 4 speakers

### **STANDING ITEMS**

Meeting attendees approved the June 2025 member meeting minutes. ([Membership Meeting Minutes](#)).

Su reported a cash balance of \$53,301 in RBCC's accounts, net of \$952 earmarked for Hutchinson Park, \$5,150 for Slow Waters project and \$834 for the Emergency Hub.

### **CLUB BUSINESS**

1) Su advised that our \$222K 4Culture grant request for a variety of clubhouse improvements was submitted and that we expect to hear back from them by July 23.

### **NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- [Creating a Safer Seattle Community Forum](#) on Thursday, July 10 at Rainier Beach Community Center, from 6 - 7:30 PM. Registration required (use link).
- Meet the primary candidates for City Council District 2 at Mt. Baker Community Club on Friday, July 11 at 6:30 pm.
- On 7/20 from 3-6 pm, Jazz Jam will feature the hip-hop breaking crew, Massive Monkey.
- Seattle Night Out is Tuesday, August 5.
- No member meeting in August due to RBCC's Summer Picnic, Ice Cream and Jazz event on 8/17 (2-6 pm).

### **TONIGHT'S SPEAKERS**

Paul Nelson Founding Director of Cascadia Poetics Lab (CPL) <https://cascadiapoeticslab.org> spoke about his group's mission to empower people to practice poetry and build community in ways that deepen connection to place (Cascadia), self and the present moment.

Established in 1993, CPL sponsors a variety of festivals and workshops throughout the region including upcoming ones in Columbia City, Kubota Gardens and Red Wing Café. RBCC will host a workshop the weekend of 10/10-12 at the clubhouse. Details to follow.

Christine Mahler, Executive Director of The Kubota Garden Foundation (KGF) updated members on the Garden's programs and events, planned construction projects, and ways to engage. She covered the history of the Garden from Fujitaro Kubota's purchase of the land in 1927, his reclamation work after WWI when he was interned at Minidoka, through the City's purchase of the land from his descendants in 1987. KGF will be doubling the size of the parking lot, building a visitor's center and improving storm water management and signage. She reviewed 2025 events, many of which are for kids and wants to engage the community in future events including the Garden's centennial anniversary celebration in 2027.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- On July 12, One Seattle Day of Service, 10 am – 1 pm
- Sunday, July 13, join us at the club for our annual Garden Stroll
- Jazz Jam, Sunday, July 20 3-6:00 PM (featuring breaking crew Massive Monkey).
- Neighborhood Music Nights, every 4th Wednesday, 7-9:00 PM. Next date: July 23
- Summer Picnic, Ice Cream and Jazz, Sunday, August 17, 1-6 pm.

### **FUTURE SPEAKERS**

- September: TBA
- October: Florangela Davila of the South Seattle Emerald.

### **NEXT COMMUNITY MEETING**

- September 10, 2025 (no August meeting due to Block Party on Sunday, August 17).