

## RBCC BOARD MEETING 8/27/25

In Attendance: Gerd Prewett            Alan Ross            Anne Nolah  
                         Jessica Reisman        Su Harambe        Nancy Bowman  
                         Marcus Miglorie

Board approved minutes from its 7/23/25 meeting.

Discussion items (Action Items in ***Bold Italic***)

1. Recaps on recent RBCC events:
  - a. 8/17 Block Party Jazz and Picnic – It was great, with over 50 attendees (not including the band). Games were a draw for families. Board plans to do it again in 2026 and consider different food options. ***Alan will post photos on our event page and Marcus will post on FB.***
2. Updates on upcoming RBCC events:
  - a. RB Farm Fest, Sat., Sept 21 at 10 am. ***Marcus & Jessica to rep RBCC.***
  - b. Meaningful Movies - Saturday, Sept. 13 at 7 pm, "Refuge" (set-up at 6:15 pm).
  - c. Plant and Seed Share - Saturday, Oct. 18 at 10 am
  - d. Next Beach Talk - Sunday, 10/26 at 2 pm (Brett on tea-tasting).
  - e. Arts and Craft Fair on Sat., 12/6 - Leslie and Suki plan to organize again. ***Jess will post call for artists on Mailchimp after they meet next week.***
3. Discussion Topics
  - a. Gerd reported that the Emergency Hub's request on checking acct. management is on hold per Kathie.
  - b. ***Marcus will reach out to get the details on what First Five Years & Beyond seeks from RBCC.*** It is a Kent-based nonprofit organization committed to supporting the healthy development and school readiness of children ages 0–5 and beyond.
  - c. ***At the 9/10 Member Meeting, Marcus will solicit audience about their interest on being on the Nominating Committee and/or being on the 2026 Board.*** We also need to figure out where we are on Board member terms.
4. Committee Updates
  - a. Financial – Gerd reported strong rentals and requests. Our insurance expires in October and she anticipates a hefty premium increase.
  - b. Building
    - i. Board agreed we should continue to apply for neighborhood grants. ***Gerd will ask Kathie to draft a \$50K grant request from the City's Dept. Of Neighborhoods to fund electrical upgrades for the clubhouse.***
    - ii. ***Board will also seek a \$5K grant from the City to repaint or eventually replace the front doors.***

- iii. 4Culture staff advised Gerd that our grant request was less competitive the other 21 requests because it was for renovation and it didn't score as well on economic impact.
- iv. **Gerd will call Burdick to get front door fixed.**
- v. **Su will find a contractor to clean out debris from under kitchen stairs.**
- c. Social / Membership
  - i. **Jess has some ideas and will meet with Nancy and Anne to develop.**
  - ii. **Jess will have 2026 calendar of events ready for the Harvest Social.**
  - iii. **Jess will get with Margaret and Sonya about them hosting 2026 Homespun Tales.**
- d. Technology – No news

## **FUTURE SPEAKERS**

- September: City Council District 2 Candidate forum with Eric Lin and Adonis Duckworth\*. **Nancy will confirm their participation.**
- October: Florangela Davila of the South Seattle Emerald.
- November: Asia Tail, Yəhaw' Indigenous Creatives Collective
- December: We don't do speakers in December

\* Each candidate will be given 5 minutes to introduce themselves, followed by a audience Q & A. Glenda will moderate. Audience will write their questions at check-in and Board will review to eliminate redundancy. Board will also prep some questions in case we don't have enough from the audience