

Minutes EVA Board Meeting
May 11, 2020, 5:00-6:05 pm, via ZOOM

Attendance:

Primary Board present: Todd Hill (chair), Mark Herold (vice-chair), Jay Johnson (treasurer), Jean Welsh (secretary), Yvette Weatherly, Sarah Banick, David Payne, Cynthia Tauxe, Don Walter, Mary Eccard, Margaret Blackmon, Anne Wallace

Primary Board absent: George Bacso

Advisory Board present: Marlene Goldman

Advisory Board absent: Clarke Weeks, Jimmy Powell, Sally Sears, Mark Goldman, Stuart Meddin, Lois Berthaume, Becky Evans, Nathan Hartman, Bill Gryboski

Guests attending: Lorraine Miller (miller.lorraine@comcast.net); Neil Fried (neilvfrid@gmail.com)

Invited Guests not able to attend: Jesse Kaba (jesse@crownegroup.com); Haly Maitre (haleyheard@gmail.com); Jim McCabe (jim@mccabe-lawfirm.com); Anna Robinson (anna@intownstarsgymnastics.com)

1. **Minutes** from the April 2020 meeting were amended to reference the intention to send out minutes from the Open Streets planning meeting that was held last month and to note that updates to the EVA Board member email list will be discussed at the May meeting and corrections made.

2. **Guests welcomed.** Lorraine Miller, Neil Fried

3. **Farmer's Market in the Village.** Sue Sullivan, Bonnie Wolf, and Ann Wallace and Don Walter have been exploring the possibility of having a local farmer (Farmer William) deliver pre-paid boxes of vegetables for pick-up in the village. Stuart Meddin has agreed to the use of his space for now and Farmer William will add Stuart to his insurance policy. Once insurance coverage is confirmed, deliveries can begin immediately. Planning for a Saturday delivery at 4pm. The cost of a box of vegetables (which Don W has tested and can recommend) will cost \$32 to the consumer, which included a \$5 facilitation for EVA. For the vegie delivery initiative to be promoted in the Druid Hills Newsletter, the details will need to be provided by the end of the week.

Motion passed: A motion was passed to commit EVA support to the weekly delivery of pre-paid produce to the parking lot on the Stuart Meddin property, starting this Saturday, May 16 if proper insurance coverage is confirmed.

4. **Considerations for Future Markets**

- Possibility of inviting a food truck. Ann W has been made aware that currently there is no minimum sales requirement, making this a good time to test having a food truck centered (social distance minded) gathering in the village. This will be considered as a possible addition to the Saturday produce deliveries.
- With Lucky's now closed, and Slice & Pint and Saba also recently closed, this could be a particularly good time to use food trucks to help fill the gap.

5. **Membership Updates**

- David P reviewed the expectation of Board members, namely that all need to be actively engaged in Board supported activities and to make an annual financial contribution. Primary members need to attend most meetings and are eligible to vote on all issues. Advisory member must attend at least periodically. They are eligible to vote only on matters related to membership.
- David also informed the Board that all current officers (Todd Hill, chair; Mark Herold, vice-chair; Jay Johnson, treasurer; and Jean Welsh, secretary) have offered to continue for another year. This was approved.
- Current Board members voted and approved the membership of 3 new members:
 - Lorraine Miller
 - Neil Fried
 - Anna Robinson
- Community members continuing for now as guests include:
 - Jesse Kaba
 - Haley Maitre
 - Jim McCabe

6. Open Streets Emory Village

- Don Walter has agreed to lead the planning for Open Streets again this year. Give the situation with COVID-19, and the challenges being faced by local businesses, the need to focus planning on activities that can be done at no or low cost was emphasized
- Don will begin regular meeting of the planning committee soon

7. Olmsted 2022 Event

- Todd Hill and Don Walter will represent the EVA on the event planning committee

8. Banner Update

- Cynthia provided an update on work done to identify the 10 light poles on which the banners would be best placed. There is a preference for using the curved poles given their numbers and locations.
- Neil has some ideas for banner designs and fonts. He will prepare some sketches and plan to discuss in more detail at the June meeting.
- Jean will follow-up with Georgia Power to get the light pole brackets ordered.

Meeting adjourned: 6:05pm