



## December 12th, 2022, 6:30 pm, Hybrid Board meeting minutes

**NEXT MEETING: Monthly meeting, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**WNA Board members attending:** Charles Tremper, Carol Johnson, Marilyn Zaleon, Andrea Buckvold, Sam Gruber, Adam Felleman, Lynne Odell

**Attendees:** Jess Lindgren, Andy Leahy, Paul Harvey, Mark Brockway, Fred

1. Welcome/Introductions:
2. Financial Report – no report submitted.
  - a. No new expenses, a couple of memberships submitted.
3. Old Business
  - a. Executive
    - i. All in favor of creating a WNA Zoom account, cost \$150 annually
    - ii. Annual meeting – Sunday, March 12, 2023 3PM-ish
      1. Place not set, perhaps Munjed's or Yeti
    - iii. Board Nominating committee needed.
      1. Marilyn is the only member needs replacing, but can always add more. (Suggestion: Heather Williams)
      2. New members needed by March meeting.
    - iv. Committee-
      1. Membership –
        - a. should begin to prepare a membership mailed for renewals., after iConsult is finished organizing data
        - b. IConsult is using Wix as a database system., should be linkable to website.
        - c. MailChimp has 300 people, but not verified.
      2. Events –
        - a. Need some events planned for winter.
        - b. New ice rink going up in Barry Park
        - c. WesTalk – garden article posted, others planned.
        - d. Website – resources section needs new text and new links.
        - e. CNY Grants –
          - i. Applying for funding for events/performances, similar to Winter Weekend, but spread throughout the year. One to coincide with dog parade, another the Sat. after Thanksgiving.

1. Possible venues – WCC, Dunbar Post ballroom, Erwin, Vineyard, University Fellowship (Steve Pearlman – member of University Fellowship)
2. Asking \$5000
3. WAC would co-sponsor poetry event.
4. Do not want to compete with Fair
5. Music selection – folk, acoustic, classical, rock
6. Need board commitment to the events.

### 3. Beautification

- a. Community Garden update – met with Meagan Weatherby, proceeding with tightening by-laws and protocols.
- b. Concern about the green patch (verge) alongside parking lot on Harvard – WNA may take over management of it.
- c. WNA has been asked to take over management of the Kiosk/Bulletin board on the corner of Harvard and Westcott. (WNA was initially involved in building the structure)
  - i. Interest in possibly adding plants,
  - ii. Displaying Poetry posters (with lamination/plastic sleeves)
  - iii. Add to duty of monthly litter pick-up
  - iv. Try it on a 6months basis
  - v. Suggestion of partnering with local artists to create displays

### 4. New Business

1. Westcott Business Database
  - a. Sam has old database, needs updating
  - b. Needs info – businesses, owners, contact info., property owners
  - c. Need to be able to communicate for events, crime, etc.
  - d. WNA could create a business membership category and sent letters for information. (Some interest at Barber shop and Essi's)
2. TNT Grants
  - a. Has monies available and little interest as of meeting date.
  - b. Deadline Dec. 30<sup>th</sup>
    - i. Idea to submit funding request for landscaping funds
      1. Material around tress in sidewalk

2. Harvard/Westcott section – kiosk, verge, Community garden front section
3. Suggestion for Westcott Community Garden to apply separately. Andrea will bring suggestion to them.
4. \$8000 available to be split between applicants.

5. Announcements

- a. Next meeting – Monday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 6:30