



**Sept. 14, 2020, 6:30 pm, virtual  
Monthly meeting minutes -- DRAFT**

**NEXT MEETING: Monday, Oct, 12, 2020, 6:30 p.m., virtual?**

**WNA Board members:** Grant Johnson, Lynne Odell, Kate Oja, Kate Palermo, Glenda Ranallo, Charles Tremper, Damian Vallelonga, Marilyn Zaleon

**WNA members and friends:** Joe Driscoll, Holly Grant, Sam Gruber, Alice Honig, Harry Lewis, Susan Rainey, Emily (name needed) (SU)

1. Welcome/introductions:

Damian called the meeting to order at 6:30. Those present introduced themselves.

2. Approval of Agenda and Minutes:

Aug. 8 minutes to be corrected to complete Chris Norcross' name. Grant Johnson moved; Lynne Odell seconded; passed unanimously.

4. Fiscal report:

Damian read information provided by Natalie: \$5.00 in checking, \$2,856 in savings, with \$200 or so to be paid out for painting the bike racks.

5. Issues for Joe Driscoll

Glenda and Charles raised issues concerning trash left behind after pick-up due to animals and other damage to trash bags and potholes along the street. He will forward these issues on. Discussions led to the need for trash cans and not just bags. Alice brought up sidewalks in need of repair and was told the City cites the problems and property owners are responsible for repairs. To contact him, email [JDriscoll@syr.net](mailto:JDriscoll@syr.net)

6. Business, Old:

a. Trash can wrap up;

Cans have been installed, 11 on Westcott and 2 on Harvard. Reactions have varied from praise for the pops of color they add to the streetscape to problems with bees and flies resulting from trash and problems with how to use them. Holes will be drilled to allow liquids to drain. Various proposals were made to provide instructions concerning returnables, etc. Recycling was raised again which discussions with DPW had eliminated from consideration due to difficulties in separating items. Sam suggested a meeting to clarify recycling rules and regulations, with a OCRRA representative. Any concerns or problems may be communicated to Damian. The need for cans on E. Genesee and other locations was also raised.

- b. Yeti donation:  
\$187.99 was donated based on a percentage of Saturday sales during the month of August.
  - c. COVID outreach:  
16 x 20 inch posters are available for \$14. Suggested places to post include the bus stop at Euclid/Westcott and the kiosk on Harvard. Damian will follow up with an email to board members.
6. Business, New:
- a. SU fall semester:  
A second letter from SU outlining policies and mechanisms for follow-up in case of violations and a link to the dashboard giving data on infections has been sent out to the neighborhood. So far the number of cases remains low. To report unsafe student behavior, please contact DPS at (315) 443-2224 or [711@syr.edu](mailto:711@syr.edu) This email is monitored 24/7..
  - b. Bike racks, next steps:  
7 new bike racks are being sent for painting; because of staffing issues, installation (near the florist and perhaps further north on Westcott) may be delayed until next year. Discussion turned to what happened to the racks removed from Harvard and hopes they could be installed near the Liquor store and Korean restaurant.
7. Committee/item reports.
- a. Beautification committee: Kate reported successful clean-up at Petit; Melissa will organize another. Dorian cleaned up their strip; Norm Roth mentioned fewer staff made it more difficult to care for the strip near Rise N Shine.
  - b. Membership: Glenda reported no action so far; Natalie will create a membership list (30 to 50 members). Discussion turned to using the remaining cookbooks to attract members or use as gifts for certain levels of membership. Display of the cookbooks in local businesses was also mentioned.
8. Additional input:
- a. Damian proposed using the WSCT logo to market merchandise, T-shirts, phone covers, masks; partnering with UNPA was also discussed. Damian will investigate further..
  - b. Sam reported the memorial bricks for Jane Begley and Gerry Grant had been installed by Petit maintenance staff.
9. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.