Kingfield Neighborhood Association
Board Meeting November 14, 2018
7-9pm MLK Park

Members in Attendance: Madelyn Sundberg, Lisa Skrzeczkoski-Bzdusek, Scott Mueller, Chris DesRoches, Hetal Dalal, Samantha Laesch, Dan Myers, Dan Swenson-Klatt
Members Absent: John Sessler, Brandon Boat, Robert Roedl, Dan Myers
Others in Attendance: Sarah Linnes-Robinson (staff), Mike Skinner (prospective board member)
Meeting Chair: Chris DesRoches
Meeting Secretary: Lisa Skrzeczkoski-Bzdusek
Confirmed Quorum: 8 Directors/7:10pm

PRESENTATIONS:
1. Mike Skinner introduced himself. In Kingfield since 2013, involved in DFL, wants to be involved to be a good community member and be involved in all the events that kingfield has.

UPDATES:
1. FUNDRAISING: letter is in the mail. Not doing winter newsletter so doing direct mail for fundraising.

2. 2040 PLAN: revised plan came out 3 weeks ago based on comments they received. Last week there was a public hearing at the Planning Commission where a bunch of amendments were submitted. We wrote a letter reaffirming what we supported. City Council is going to work on all the amendments coming out of the comments and then they will put out a plan and vote on it. no more public hearings.

3. PARK BOARD: masterplan is going on right now which guides the park’s masterplan for the next 20 years. In design phase right now to design the parks. Meeting tomorrow night at park board headquarters. It is just the design of the grounds and not the buildings. Nature playground is something they are considering at MLK.

4. 210 W. 46th Street: had been held up on a contract wrinkle since we approved
the funding to the city of lakes land trust in January. Now moving forward – we were expecting to move family in by October but since just starting the work we will have to do a formal extension.

5. 2020 PLAN: 3 work groups that meeting for the first time on Monday. Conversations about how city has some neighborhood associations doing a lot, some not doing anything, and some basically stealing money but not being called on it. Some neighborhood associations have just collapsed.

6. LANDLORD MEETING: met with landlord about lease for office and gardens. Plans for expansion of CFPA has changed dramatically. Design has parking lot where gardens are and garage extending the length of the building. Trying to get landlord to set up a meeting with architects for dec. 3 with redevelopment committee. Looking at breaking ground this summer.

7. GET OUT THE VOTE: 3314 people came out to vote. Tent presence was steady the whole time. 19.5% jump from last time. Turnout in 2016 was 85.03% in Kingfield (presidential year) 84.83% this year in Kingfield. This ward has the highest percentage of registered voters in the city. Almost 25% of Kingfield’s voters, voted early. Lowbow $250 - $ spent on block campaigns. $315 expected from returns watch party at Harriets. Still need help cleaning/prepping signs this Saturday. Do we get pavement decals for every corner in kingfield – need to get permission from the city. 35 block captains.

8. EMPTY BOWLS: throwdown was held this past Saturday – 160 bowls created. Paint-a-bowl at MLK this Sunday 11/25. Empty bowls event is 2/7 – we need volunteers!

9. GREEN COMMITTEE: small business green environmental program that isn’t used all that much. Have that money that we thought we would use to help businesses compost. In past years we’ve talked about community solar buy. Can we get this committee engaged again. Pending project now is the pollinator garden. Big project this year was the organics team and outreach to businesses with idea that all businesses are going to have to go to compost within a year. Idea of having a “green summit” – monthly speaker series to encourage discussion. Discussed idea of campaign with neighborhood going pesticide free.

10. EQUITY AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE: really strong after 2016 election and then fizzled out – chair had to resign and we have not been able to find a new chair. Had been looking into diversity training.

BOARD BUSINESS:
1. Vote on new director to fill in Anthony Hsu’s resignation since he moved out of the neighborhood. Mike Skinner would serve until Anthony’s spot is up for re-
election. Scott Mueller moves to nominate Mike to fill Anthony's term. Second by Dan Myers. *Motion passes unanimously.*