Kingfield Neighborhood Association
Board Meeting February 13, 2019
7-9pm MLK Park

Members in Attendance: Ashley Siljenberg, Madelyn Sundberg, Lisa Skrzeczkoski-Bzdusek, Scott Mueller, Chris DesRoches, Samantha Laesch, John Sessler, Mike Skinner, Elena Bretzman, Hetal Dalal, Dan Myers
Members Absent: Dan Swenson-Klatt, Mike Skinner, Hetal Dalal, Robert Roedl,
Others in Attendance: Sarah Linnes-Robinson (staff)
Meeting Chair: Ashley Siljenberg
Meeting Secretary: Lisa Skrzeczkoski-Bzdusek
Confirmed Quorum: 8 Directors/7:05pm

PRESENTATIONS:

1. SW Service Area Master Plan (SW Parks Plan) (Kelly Wilcoxin): Masterplans for southwest Minneapolis parks just released last week. MLK projected plan includes ideas for utilizing the cabin and an ice skating path, increasing gardens, keeping full sized fields. One concept plan is more about naturalizing the park and including pollinator fields. Fuller Park looking at all-wheels area, Lyndale Farmstead looking at mountain bike and play area. Can go on website and comment on proposed changes. Encourage everyone to go one and comments on what they want. Closing dates for comments is in March.

COMMUNITY FORUM: none

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. JANUARY MINUTES: Madelyn Sundberg moves to approve, Dan Myers seconds, motion passes unanimously

BOARD ALTERNATIVE VOTE:

1. David Robbins – moved into neighborhood a year ago and wants to become more involved in community. Interest in cycling, environmentalist. Real estate attorney /does lots of work in city planning. Mentors at Patrick Henry. Interested in redevelopment committee. Dan Myers moves to add David Robbins as alternate number one, Chris DeRoches seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

DISCUSSION:

1. NEXT STEPS ON ROAD RESURFACING MEETING: meeting before board meeting to go through plan that has been presented in past. Centerpoint will be replacing the mains on Pleasant before the resurfacing.
2. **UPDATE ON LEASE AT CFPA**: Sara met with Jackie, landlord. Looked at new lease (ours ends at the end of Feb), would renew month to month through Dec. 31 with all other spaces, which includes the garden, shed, and land under the oven. Looks like moving the oven will either not be feasible or really expensive. Community Garden won’t be able to be planted this summer. Won’t be able to have hives there because don’t want to ruin them with the construction.

**REPORTS:**

1. **EMPTY BOWLS**: Numbers were down given the snow, but it still felt busy. Made it very local. Heating the soup was easier because of new range. Kids activity seemed to be well receive (Kindness rocks) – cohesive and fit with the event. Youth Link was too separated from the rest of the room. People seemed to have a good time, connect the dots activity was big hit.
   a. Left over soup was quickly frozen, not a lot of organizations can take it. Can we have “great gathering” at someone’s house and try to raise more money for cause.
   b. Combine “soup Party” with MN 350 gathering.
   c. Combining with family engagement event
   d. Block party outside Nicollet Square

2. **GREEN TEAM**: Letter out to restaurants out today pushing idea that all restaurants need to be composting or donating their food by beginning of next year.

3. **FAMILY ENGAGEMENT**: Sledding event went well. Concerns that losing committee members and not sure how long we can keep playdates going.
   - Idea of partners leading the event (i.e. Barton School students hosting playdate and advertise themselves as babysitters).
   - Creating separate kingfield playdate group so they get access

4. **MINNEAPOLIS 2020**: 2020 framework has now been created – staff recommendation for how neighborhoods should be structured. KFNA has nothing to worry about – have clean bylaws, regular board meetings, etc. The city is saying these are the things you need to do to get grants (best practice model).
   - Council set to approve the framework in April. Question if the plan will get approved because no dollar amount attached. Originally dollar amount was 10 million a year to neighborhoods. If it’s voted no then there will be no money for neighborhoods. Of the 10 million, 75% would go to neighborhood organization and 25% to community based organizations/cultural organizations. Concerning because community based organizations going from $180K to over 2 million without any rules.
   - Could get approved in April for old amount of 4.2 million, but every
neighborhood would get significantly less than currently receiving because the 25% to community-based cultural organizations.
- Most of SW neighborhoods support this and want to work with NCR, northside neighborhoods opposed to framework because staff recommendation and not citizen recommendation and because no monetary amount put in plan.
- We do not know Andrea Jenkins position