



## Kingfield Neighborhood Association

### KFNA Monthly Board Meeting Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 KFNA Zoom Room

**Members in attendance:** *Chris DesRoches, Sarah Tschida, Dave Searl, Alice Johnson, Becky Dankowski, Chris Hong, Kristina Brenner-Adam, Jerome Rankine, BJ Titus*

**Members absent:** *David Robbins, Aiden Keefe, Mike Skinner, Derek Holt*

**Others in attendance:** *Hetal Dalal, Joanne Chappellaz, Josh Martin and Paul, who is new to the neighborhood and owns a commercial building*

**Meeting Chair:** *Chris DesRoches*

**Meeting Secretary:** *BJ Titus*

**Confirmed quorum:** 7:03

#### 7:00- Welcome and Introduction

#### 7:10- Community Forum

No Community Forum announcements or questions

#### 7:25- Board Conversation: White Supremacy Culture Characteristics

- We all read [this article](#) prior to the Board Meeting and then had a discussion
- [Introduction](#) | 15-20 Minute Small Group Discussion | 15 Minute Report Out + Next Steps

Notes from the breakout groups are in the [slide deck](#) slides 11-15

#### 8:10- Executive Committee updates + KFNA Business

- Gradient of Agreement will be added to our meetings
  - Learn more here:  
[https://www.canr.msu.edu/news/gradients\\_of\\_agreement\\_can\\_help\\_move\\_groups\\_forward](https://www.canr.msu.edu/news/gradients_of_agreement_can_help_move_groups_forward)
- The Board discussed the results of survey conducted by the Executive Committee
- The Executive Committee wrote a letter in support for the Powderhorn Park Neighborhood Committee and discussed when Board Members, Staff or Executive Committee can take future position stances
- National Night Out Update—NNO has moved to September this year. How or do we move forward with NNO for this next year and beyond (was August 4<sup>th</sup>, and is moved to September 15, some neighborhoods may move forward with the August date if planning was already in the works, but it has officially moved to September.

#### 8:20- Staff, Committee and Board Member Updates

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1fmqgG-cvBboser3UcfrsV5XILeOc2CqTE7l8bSiknHg/edit?usp=sharing>

- **Staff** (*Sarah LR*)
  - Mural Project
  - Community Initiated Grant with Danger Boat- "Uncomfortable Conversations"

- Tane Danger came to talk about three sessions of Uncomfortable Conversations (one in MLK Park and 2 on Zoom). 75 people attended one of the sessions. There is a desire to do more of these sessions.
- The request is for a \$3000 grant, in partnership with Lyndale Neighborhood Association (each organization would contribute \$1500). It would be 6 sessions. There will be discussions of 'what next' after they have completed one of these sessions. One of the performers has also talked about doing a '102' version after the individuals completed the first session.
- First thing to do with the pot of money would go to creating the 102 and then money would go to the performers of color on staff.
- The Board voted (quorum based on 9 voting members)  
Motion was made by DesRoches  
Rankine seconded  
IN FAVOR:  
Searl, Rankine, Titus, Hong, Tschida, Dankowski, DesRoches, Brenner-Adam, Johnson  
OPPOSED: None

- **Redevelopment (Written, Questions)** (*Chris D and Sarah LR*)
  - 4220 Nicollet Ave
  - Currans Property
  - Blaisdell Property (CLLT)
- **Bike/Ped/Streets(Written, Questions)**
  - Grand Avenue no wo
  - Whitter/Lyndale Bikeway
  - Speeding, Safety and 1st Ave

## 8:55- Meeting Close Out and Rating

The meeting was adjourned at 9:33 PM.

Evote Friday, July 17<sup>th</sup>

Tschida proposed a resolution:

Below is the proposed resolution I am bringing forward for the KFNA board to discuss and vote on:

### Proposed resolution

*Whereas, the Kingfield Neighborhood Association (KFNA) sees an urgent need for transformational change to community safety and policing in the City of Minneapolis.*

*Whereas, the current Minneapolis City Charter does not allow for that change and accountability.*

*Whereas, the community of Minneapolis should be given the opportunity to voice their opinion on this change and directly engage with the question of policing and safety.*

*Whereas, the need and responsibility to take bold action now is essential.*

*KFNA calls on the City of Minneapolis Charter Commission to fulfill their duty and let the people of Minneapolis vote on a meaningful City Charter amendment.*

**Rankine** seconded the motion

In favor—DesRoches, Dankowski, Rankine, Hong, Holt, Brenner-Adam, Tschida, Skinner, Titus, Searl, Keefe

Opposed—Robbins, Johnson

Abstained--

Resolution passes 11-2