



**Kingfield Neighborhood Association Board Meeting**  
**2/14/24, 7-9 pm**  
**MLK Park, 4055 Nicollet**

**Board Packet Link:** <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1h-W2-aXNES7NbMKV6DAjfyieoY760HDF>

**Members in attendance:** *Becky Dankowski, Stephen Huot, Scott Mueller, Josh Martin, Dave Searl, and BJ Titus*

**Members absent:** *Katie Blanchard, Travis Norvell, Robert Roedl, Sarah Tschida, Jessica Verrall Pischke, and Emma Wolf*

**Others in attendance:** *Ceugant Scholaidhe*

**Meeting Chair:** *BJ Titus*

**Meeting Secretary:** *Josh Martin*

**Confirmed quorum (7):** *Quorum was not reached. Six board members were present, and quorum is seven.*

**Community Forum**

No community members were present.

**Consent Agenda**

The consent agenda could not be approved due to lack of quorum.

**Upcoming Events**

Board members provided updates regarding upcoming events.

Scott noted that additional volunteers are needed for the Presidential Nominating Primary polling party. We are also working on purchasing some additional items for the polling party. Scott showed the decals and table tents created for the polling parties. A strategy is in place for social media and communications. Utility pole posters are up.

**Garden Tool Swap**

The Garden Tool Swap is happening for the fourth year in a row. Information is available from the city.

**Staff Update**

Community Coordinator Ceugant Scholaidhe provided an update on various topics. Ceugant needs information for the print newsletter by March 13. Scott will provide information on the state primary election. There will be information regarding the annual meeting. There will be an article on the history of Porchfest – it's the tenth anniversary this year. We are aiming for four to five articles for Kingfield. The next newsletter after this will be in August.

**NRP Board Elections**

Secretary Josh Martin noted that [applications](#) for the NRP Policy Board are available for review. The elections are not highly contested – there are two candidates for at-large and one candidate for District 6.

## **Lumberstash**

BJ provided an update on [Lumberstash](#), a local neighborhood business which sells reclaimed wood. The owner is seeking support to change city ordinances to ensure his business can continue. We may revisit this for a board position at a future meeting with a quorum present.

## **Policy Review – Financial Policy**

The board discussed the board's financial policy, which has not been updated in sixteen years. No action was taken on the financial policy. This will be considered further at the March board meeting.

## **Board Updates**

Various board members gave updates on various topics.

Becky Dankowski provided an update on a new [Minnesota "red flag" law](#) related to gun safety. Becky is the Minneapolis legislative lead for Moms Demand Action. Considering board support for additional state gun control laws. Also considering new city ordinances on these issues.

Becky and Ceugant provided an update on Empty Bowls. The event was very successful. There may be a need for a larger venue in the future. Turnout was approximately 575. There were many new people attending the event.

BJ and Dave provided an update on the Sap Tap. The Sap Tap and Pancake Breakfast is scheduled for March 16.

BJ announced that Alicia Weber has been appointed as the new KFNA Bookkeeper. Our previous bookkeeper, Carolyn, will assist with onboarding.

Stephen provided updates regarding Porchfest. Stephen is leading a committee to plan Porchfest. The event is scheduled for June 13, with June 20 as the backup date. This is the tenth anniversary. Working on a special tenth anniversary t-shirt. The board discussed possible solutions for merchandise and fundraising. The board discussed the possibility of setting up a table at "PorchFest Central" for collecting donations, selling merchandise, distributing information about the association, etc. Board members could take shifts staffing this. There will likely be an eVote on some of these items.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

## **Addendum - PorchFest Merchandise**

The board considered the following motion by e-vote, with the voting period closing on March 18 at 8:32 AM: "That commits to [model #2 \(with model #1\)](#) and entrusts LoveYourNeighborhood Minneapolis to source a single 10th anniversary design to be used for merch. For model #2, KFNA will commit to a bulk order of UP TO 48 pcs. with that same 10th anniversary design created for model #1. From those UP TO 48 pcs, KFNA will provide to each Board Director a 10th anniversary PorchFest T-shirt. (KFNA will buy each Board Director and Ceugant a shirt.)"

Mueller made the motion

Huot seconded the motion

The motion was adopted by a vote of 9-0.

Yes: Katie Blanchard, Becky Dankowski, Steven Huot, Josh Martin, Dave Searl, BJ Titus, Sarah Tschida, Jessica Verrall Pischke, Emma Wolf

No:

Abstain: Scott Mueller, Robert Roedl