

# *Livingston Avenue Area Commission*



## **Meeting Minutes**

**640 S. Ohio Avenue ~ Columbus, OH 43205**

**February 28, 2012 General Meeting**

- 1) Meeting called to order at 6:40 p.m. by BS.
- 2) Roll call –DC-e LS-e
- 3) Approval of Minutes- postponed until March
- 4) Chase Grant for 200 Columbus- OO requested a letter of support for a grant project and installation of a gazebo on the OO Boulevard. CF made a motion to approve the letter of support TG seconded, motion passed 7-0-0
- 5) The future LAVA-C communication options-BS email notifications have been going out, have been received, is there a better way to communicate?  
Q- Have all communications for COC been coming to BS first?  
A- Yes, has been dispersing prevalent email information to appropriate committee chairs with the idea being, each committee chair take the lead on info pertinent to their committee.  
-Concern that info is not being openly shared. Would like to insure that commissioners are all on the same page and informed about what is going on in the area.  
- Each Commissioner needs to verify that they are on the near east side list serve and BL's notification list.  
-There are only 9 Commissioners to represent a large area and we need community support. It is our responsibility to reach out so that our neighbors can be informed. Our neighbors will be informed and hopefully more involved.  
-We need to collect data from anyone who attends an AC function so we can disperse data to those who have shown an interest.  
BS- Would like each Commissioner to be admin to the Facebook page so they can update information relevant to their committee.  
BS- AC is looking for someone interested in being a Recycling Ambassador for the new city wide recycling program. This would fall under the PSe Committee.
- 6) Committee Reports/Selections  
CW, Zoning- OO reps including myself will be meeting with Boyce Safford and Co. to discuss grant program slated for OO.  
BS- Received a request from Richard Simpson to meet at First Watch this Fri. at 8 a.m. to discuss design possibilities for the new DP Library.  
-The Library is far from making decisions, currently gathering information and insight.  
BS, PSe- working on COTA bus stops and trash cans.



CF, Education/Community Relations- Columbus Public Library is in the position to have a positive effect on Early and Adult Literacy. Working on creating programs to address the issue.

MS, HH & HS- Nothing to report.

LW/MSa, Economic Development- Reps from St. John's are willing to change the name of their non-profit to facilitate creation of a CDC. Future meetings are planned to bring this about. MSa we need to work to change the perception of this area by changing the outlook of its residents. Safety concerns will need to be addressed before economic development can take hold.

LS, PSa- Nothing to report.

DC, Government & Legislation-

TG made a motion to adopt committee chairs as listed above. CS seconded.

Discussion-No need to change by-laws to allow for 2 chairs for EC. A co-chair is a chair. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Shane Mark- Passed out information about The Making the Peace Training Center. Need 30-40 students to participate, typically 99 % of the participants are African-American. Total cost of the program is \$300,000 at \$7,500 per student. Idea is to steer young adults from a criminal lifestyle as the State spends \$1.4 to \$1.7 million per offender.

Q- Is there any other funding available?

A- Funds are donated form Battelle also private funds and grants.

- Should get in contact with Deana Wilkinson with Cease Fire Columbus.

DL- Passed out flyers about Public meetings held by City Council along with info about community garden grants. Grant training will be this Thurs. At 6 p.m. at the Columbus Foundation building.

SM- Would like to take photos of area Commissioners at next months meeting for Facebook.

7) Adjourned at 8:15 p.m. by BS

Reviewed By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

