

Minutes of March 22, 2022, Westside Coalition Board of Directors Meeting

Minutes Taken By: Dorothy P. Owen – Board Secretary

Location: NeighborWorks Community Mtg Room 622 W 500 N SLC Online: **Time:** Started 5:45 pm Ended 7:05 pm Wi-Fi Password: Nswfl\$1234

Board Members Present	Joseph Arrington, Dorothy Owen, Kevin Parke (online), Charlotte Fife-Jepperson, Nigel Swaby, Chaise Ware, Billy Palmer, India Nielsen Barfuss, Darin Mann, Esther Jackson-Stowell (online), Marisa Neil, Jason Wessel, Terry Marasco, C. J Hellige, Blake Perez, Rick Silver, Dan Strong, Daniel Tuutau.
Board Members Excused or Absent	Turner Bitton
Others Present:	Maria Garciaz (Board Advisor), Jasmine Walton (NeighborWorks staff)
Item 1	WELCOME
Joseph Arrington	This was the first meeting of the newly expanded Board. Joseph Arrington called the meeting to order. Due to the delay in starting the meeting, formal introductions were replaced by Maria Garciaz' suggestion to have each member identify their favorite song.
Item 2	HISTORY OF WESTSIDE ADVOCACY
Maria Garciaz, CEO NeighborWorks	Maria talked about the earlier efforts in 1977 of moving NeighborWorks to the westside in order to preserve housing. NeighborWorks then established the Westside Leadership Program. Several members of this WSC board are graduates of that program. Early graduates advocated for a structure that enabled community councils to better coordinate. This effort, established in 2007, was expanded into its own separate organization with the creation of the WSC.
Item 3	BOARD ORIENTATION
Dorothy Owen	See attached summary (2 pages).
Item 4A	ELECTION-RELATED ISSUES
Joseph Arrington	Joseph discussed the need to stagger the terms of the officers with the President serving a two-year term; one vice president serving one year with the other serving two years; and the secretary & treasurer similarly staggering their terms. It was suggested that specific terms should be determined after the elected officers meet and bring back their recommendation to the Board.
Jasmine Walton	Joseph indicated that he was resigning from the Board since he had moved to Tooele, and he felt it was appropriate to give someone else the opportunity to serve as the Jordan Meadow representative. The Board accepted Joseph's resignation. Jordan Meadows then announced that it was appointing Darin Mann to fill Joseph's spot on the Board.

	Joseph indicated that Dorothy would carry-over as Secretary.
	Due to problems with the online voting process, the Board members voted using paper ballots. Those attending online submitted their votes on their cell phones to Jasmine Walton who compiled the results.
	Decision to vote on each elected officer so that people could be considered for more than one office.
Items 4B	ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERSs
	<u>Presiden</u> t: Nigel Swaby nominated Dan Strong. No other nominations were received. Dan Strong spoke to his nomination. Board elected Dan by acclamation.
Board Members	<u>1st Vice President:</u> Daniel Tuutau nominated Blake Perez. Billy Palmer nominated Charlotte Fife-Jepperson. Both Blake and Charlotte then explained their approach to the position if elected. Subsequently, Blake Perez was elected 1 st Vice president.
	<u>2nd Vice President:</u> Dorothy Owen nominated Charlotte Fife Jepperson. Nigel Swaby nominated Daniel Tuutau. Esther Jackson-Stewell was nominated by Kevin Parke but did not accept. C.J. Hellige was nominated but withdrew. Due to problems with electronic voting process, the Board members used paper ballots. Those attending online submitted their votes via their cell phones to Jasmine Walton who compiled all votes and announced the results. The Board elected Charlotte Fife-Jepperson.
	Treasurer: Several people were nominated for this position, but no one accepted. Kevin Parke is currently serving in this capacity, and it was suggested that he continue to do so. While Kevin had indicated he would be willing, if necessary, several concerns were raised. This included having 3 officers from Rose Park, needing new members represented among officers, and wanting a more diverse make-up. Board decided to table action until next meeting.
Item 5 a-e	ADMINSTRATIVE ITEMS
Dan Strong, WSC Pres.	Board confirmed that regular monthly meeting dates would be the 4 th Tuesday of the month starting at 5:30 pm.
These items were handled during the compilation of subsequent voting.	Board voted to accept the nomination of Joseph Arrington as an Associate Member.
	Board discussed the invitation to the April 6 th Open House for the Fair Park International Market. Members had individually received invitations. Blake, Billy, Jason, Nigel, Dorothy, and Daniel indicated they plan to attend. WSC presence important since the organization was instrumental in getting the Market established. Event flyer distributed to all board members.
	Discussed City's proposal for a series of open dialogue sessions with WSC on

	westside issues & concerns. Discussed different approaches to the invitation. Should Board meet with City at its next meeting in April for 30 minutes OR should the new Board take more time to prepare for such a meeting so we can better respond. Jason asked that the next meeting provide members with an "information dump" regarding the status of a number of issues. "We don't know what we don't know." Dan asked Board members to email him suggestions for April agenda.
Item 6	Adjourn
	Next Meeting: April 26, 2022 (Fourth Tues) 5:30 PM at same NeighborWorks location

Future & Pending Tasks

Dan asked board members to contact him with suggestions for future agenda items. Blake suggested cleaning up the bylaws as they pertain to Associate Membership status.

Upcoming Meetings & Events

APRIL 6 (Sat): International Market Informational Open House at Ut sate Fairpark 11:30 am - 1:00 PM

APRIL 7 (TH): Inland Port Map Premier 569 S 1300 East 7:00 pm

APRIL 8 (M): WSC officers organizing mtg Online 8-9 am

APRIL 8 (m) Prison Tour tentative

APRIL 19 (T) OR 29 (TH): EPA Grant meeting with Utah Clean Energy regarding "Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem Solving" WSC one of 4 partner convenor organizations with Utah Clean Energy. WILL BE RESCHEDULED. NEW DATE PENDING.

APRIL 26 (T) Next WSC Board Meeting