Southeast Uplift Board Meeting Minutes - 2020 October 5th via Zoom meeting
7:00pm-9:00pm

In Attendance: Pam Hodge, Stuart Zeltzer, Ashley Gale, Chris Solsby, Charlene Zaharakis, Dave Weaver, Quincy Brown, Lindsey Johnson, Matchu Williams (Vice-Chair), Sam Noble, Stephanie Kaza, Allen Field, Ash Hester, Anna Wechsel, Ambar Solarte (Treasurer), Jessie Maran, Amy Bader, Miguel Rodriguez, Estefania Zavala, Catherine Diaz, David Gruber, Nancy Chapin, Lotus Romey-Yu (Secretary), Tina Kimmey (Chair)

Guests: Commissioner Hardesty

Staff: Leroy Eadie

Introductions, Announcements, Welcome New Members

- Dave (Kerns) - Has new board members. Expressed person pet peeve about tags.
- Matchu (Mt. Scott-Arletta) - HAC coming up
- Stephanie (Mt. Tabor) - Elections coming up, there will be a new chair
- Allen (Richmond) - Commissioner Fritz will attend next NA meeting
- Ash - Ready to start putting into action ways to help houseless neighbors. New newsletters are looking cute.
- Anna (Woodstock) - Getting closer to being a 501-c3. Last meeting was a discussion about whether or not to support the park levee. Conversations around houseless neighbors and crime. Doing some outdoor activities with neighbors. Right-of-way and access
- Ambar (Mercado) - Opening a new food cart. Giving some T-shirts next weekend. Getting ready and planning for Dias de los Muertos, will be a smaller celebration than usual. There will be space provided for ofrendas. There will also be a Halloween event on Saturday.
- Jessie (Portland bus lane project) - New projects this month
- Amy (PCC SE) - Doing all they can to support students during this time. Working on more community care and being ready to respond to community needs as they arise as the election arrives and after. Dreamers breakfast coming up for sharing updates and how to support on Oct. 12
- Estefania - Version 2 of the zene for PDX Through a Latinix Lense, seeking Latinix leaders. Also seeking 12 different artists for the zene, they will be compensated for their time and work ($75).
- Nancy - New food carts in the area. Seeking tables and chair for a plaza.
- Lotus (Foster-Powell) - Using the SEUL equity lens and re-addressing the bylaws through it. Providing dinners to shelters every other week.
- Enjoleah - New to Portland, just observing

**Approval of July & Sept. Minutes & Agenda**
- **Matchu** makes a motion to approve the September minutes as submitted. **Nancy** seconds.
  - Abstain: Cat D.
  - Yes: Estephania, David, Catherine, Pam, Stuart, Dave, Lindsey, Matchu, Stephanie, Allen, Ash, Anna, Jessie, Sam, Ambar, Lotus, Amy, Nancy
  - Motion passes

- **Allen** motions to table the July minutes to next month, **Pam** seconds the motion.
  - Abstain: Sam, Ambar, Lotus, Amy, Nancy
  - Yes: Pam, Stuart, Dave, Lindsey, Matchu, Stephanie, Allen, Ash, Anna, Jessie, Cat, Estefania, David, Catherine
  - Motion passes

**Portland Police Accountability Initiative (Jason)**
- Explained and answered individuals questions regarding Measure 26-217
  - Q: How is this different from the previous community review board?
    A: Didn’t have funds or power to make any kinds of change or reach. They also have the power to discipline police officers directly and can’t be vetoed or overturned by other parties, and will have the power to change police policy.
  - Q: How do you keep the independence of the board?
    A: Nobody on the board can be, been, or be related to police officers.
  - Q: Will there be a term limit to the board members?
    A: Not sure yet.
  - Q: How many board members?
    A: Not sure yet.
  - Q: For the safety of the board members, has there been thoughts and plans about the safety of those board members?
    A: Jason hasn’t yet, but it’s a good point.

- **Matchu** makes a motion to endorse this measure, **Jessie** seconds. Discussion is had that there was no enough time or warning to properly make this vote. Discussion is also had regarding the question of whether or not we can endorse the measure given that we are a non profit.
  - No: Pam, Stuart, Sam, Stefanie, Anna, David, Nancy
  - Abstain: Dave W., Allen, Ash, Ambar, Amy, Lotus, Lindsey
  - Yes: Matchu, Jesse, Cat, Estafania, Catherine
  - Motion does not pass.

**Executive Directors Report**
- New members training coming up. [Resources](#)
Communication funds are wrapped up.
New communications position to be filled soon.
Currently having interviews for the open part time position.
Leah is working on community safety items

Finance Committee Report
Ambar explains how to read and understand the report, screen is shared.
- Q: Is there any way to reallocate funds that would be for close contact, in person things?
  A: Depends on where the money comes from. It would need to be a conversation with the person currently in charge of the funds.

Approval of Fiscal Sponsorship Policy
Leroy generally goes over the fiscal sponsorship fee discussion and proposal, it was also already sent to the board in advance before the meeting. This captures 2 organizations.
Ambar makes a motion to approve the fiscal sponsorship fee, Anna seconds.
- Yes: Pam, Stuart, Dave, Lindsey, Matchu, Sam, Stephanie, Allen, Ash, Anna, Ambar, Jessie, Amy, Cat, Estafania, Catherine, David, Nancy, Lotus
- Motion passes

Establishing Bylaw Committee
Bylaws haven’t been changed since 2015. Time to go through the bylaws and look at them and adjust them according to the diversity and equity lens.
- Sam expressed concern about the committee doing a lot of work only to be shot down later.
- Allen wants a full presentation to be given to the board on what DEIA is and what it means.
Volunteers: Sam, Allen, Nany, Matchu, Pam
- Allen makes a motion to make this committee with these volunteers, Anna seconds.
- Motion passes unanimously.

Adjourn

Next Board Meeting: Monday, November 2nd, 2020, 7:00pm-9:00pm