Regent Neighborhood Association (RNA) Board Meeting

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Wednesday, April 22, 2015 at 7p.

Board members present: Jon Miskowski, John Schlaefer, Charlie Peters, Mary Sarnowski, Dan O’Callaghan, Ronnie Hess, Ron Rosner, Tom Pearce, Karen Christianson, Eric Steege, Mary Czynszak-Lyne

Neighborhood members present: County Board Supervisor Jeremy Levin, Alder Shiva Bidar-Sielaff

Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes of the Regent Neighborhood Association board meeting of March 24, 2015 was made by R. Hess; seconded by C. Peters. Motion passed.

Elected Representative Report: J. Levin reported recently things at the County Board are uneventful.

S. Bidar-Sielff reported the new, most diverse Common Council along with the Mayor were sworn in this week. Stevens Park will be reconstructed this summer. Street reconstruction is underway in the Bascom Place area. On street parking in the 2500, 2600 and 2700 blocks of Kendall Avenue will shift to be consistent with the neighborhood with exception on the 2700 block, parking will be solely on the south side of the street. Plans are underway for the new west side Madison Police Station on Mineral Point Road. This new station will serve the Regent neighborhood. Concern regarding the little libraries possibly being used as drug drop-off sites, the community patrol officers will keep an eye on the activity. S. Bidar-Sielaff is co-sponsoring and writing a resolution regarding an external review of the Madison Police Department. The Council is reviewing the city budget and priorities for next year with possible new initiatives to serve the residents of Madison. The first part of the Landmarks ordinance draft language is close to being finalized.

Madison West Scholarship proposal: J. Schlaefer introduced a draft proposal for a named Regent Neighborhood scholarship for West High School.

Motion to approve was made by K. Christianson, seconded by J. Schlaefer. Motion passed. Motion: As part of the Regent Neighborhood Association's commitment to racial equality and social justice, the Regent Neighborhood Association will designate $2500.00 to West High School for post-secondary education, needs based scholarship for a graduating senior.

Members present thanked J. Schlaefer for proposal and S. Bidar-Sielaff for final language for the motion.

Establish Nominating Committee: Volunteers to serve on the nominating committee are: J. Schlaefer, R. Rosner and J. Miskowski.

Communication Committee: M. Sarnowski reported she is finalizing the spring newsletter.

Announcements: J. Miskowski announced at the May annual meeting UW Athletics will give an overview of the Athletics program in addition to a presentation by Gary Brown on the Campus Master Plan.

D. O’Callaghan announced the Family Film night is tentatively planned for June 25, 2015 on the field at Camp Randall.

Motion to adjourn was made by R. Hess, seconded by R. Rosner. Motion passed.

Adjourned at 756p.

Respectfully submitted.

Mary Czynszak-Lyne

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