

Members present: Kim Allen, Cathy Coulson-Keegan, Diane McWhorter, Anita Parish, Ken Kirby, Lucy Kingsley. Other participants and guests: Jeff Allen, Bill Wright, Charles Ruff, Justin Honea

Minutes Approval: minutes of February 13, 2013

***Motion: Approve the minutes (Kim/Cathy) 4-0-2 (those abstaining had not attended)

Packet Letter:

***Motion: Accept the Packet Letter (Cathy/Kim) 6-0-0. Diane will make it fit one page and see that it gets to Registration in time.

Wireless Update: The Capital Project was approved. Clif will need some volunteers, but mostly on the day that coaxial cables are laid, which will likely be on a Saturday, but the date has not been set. This will be unskilled work to tie cables together. Any tree-climbing volunteers will have to be trained and will likely be those who are already familiar with the site and these activities. The IT crew has volunteered to help. Charlie will follow up with Clif on volunteer needs and notify us if and when our help is needed.

Barter Fair and Land Use: The Board decided on the option of suspending the Barter Fair for this year, until agreements can be reached and a new plan formed for 2014. Letters of interest for participants in the Task Force need to be into the office by April 15. Restructuring the space and the criteria for use will be the main task for this year, involving as many as possible of the traditional campers there to see that they relocate as communities and neighborhoods when desired. Camping zones will give priority to juried crafters and those who need good access and flexibility during the event. The goal is to find consistency over time and eliminate "land rush" types of anxieties and competitions for space. There are plans for a pre-registration process. Charlie answered some of our concerns about past difficulties in parking and being able to leave the Fair Site during the event when necessary, as well as usage of bikes on the Far Side bridge. It is the plan that eventually the new properties in the Fair can provide some additional access for those who need to get in and out, or a better system to sort people out from those who want to park and stay for the duration.

Night Sales: Ken has continued his volunteer activities to address sales of unjuried crafts at night within the eight. He has asked for some support from Security, and did get some last year. Charlie will discuss this with the Security crew. The space next to Newman's that the committee was concerned about is being addressed in Path Planning.

Registration: Members asked Justin about how many one-year-only booths were filled last year (12, shared), how many were on the Wait-Share list (74), and what plans are for this year (about the same). The Casbah adds an additional 6 single craft spaces. Most of the Wait-Share list got placed by the Registration team. Sometimes crafters leave the list

without notifying Registration that they are no longer needing space. Five years ago there were more than 200 on the list, and now there are fewer than 75.

Some creative ideas have been discussed at Path Planning for new areas (where the play structure was on the Left Bank.) He discussed the process and timeline, and the shared decision of where to draw the line on the jury results. This changes every year depending on the jury scores and applicants and will be on our April 17 agenda. Last year turned out well. Finding space involves finding a balance, including providing livable space with camping for new craftspeople. The number of craftspeople has remained about the same, (around 900.)

We discussed mini-booths, or small spaces for single craftspeople, to fit the needs of those who don't want to be forced to share. Small nooks for strollers are also desired, so they don't have to keep moving in sometimes dangerous or inconvenient ways. Different models such as these are ways we can move into the future to solve some of the present problems.

A member concern was passed along from Craft Inventory to Registration.

A request from a Board member to place an item on our agenda was put on the May agenda.

We have changed our April meeting date to the third Wednesday, April 17, to discuss the jury results. Meeting will start at 6:30 instead of our usual time at 6:00.