

Montlake CC Board Minutes
August 15th, 2012; 7:00 p.m.
@ Steve Milam's house 1820 E McGraw St

Members present: Anita Bowers, Nathalie Gehrke, Signy Hayden, Arthur Lee Jacobson, Elaine King, Steve Milam, Julee Neuhart, Jim Roe, Colin Shannon-Garvey, Kathy Smith-DiJulio

Members absent: Connie Bain, Scott Forbes, Bryan Haworth

Guests: Jon Decker, Jonathan Dubman

June 13th board meeting minutes: Arthur moved to approve, Kathy seconded, and the Board adopted them.

July 11th board meeting minutes: Nathalie moved to approve, Kathy seconded, and the Board adopted them.

MCC Treasurer's report / draft Budget:

Connie being absent, there was none. But the Finance committee's August 15th draft budget (attached) was distributed for board review. Nathalie asked what guiding principles were used to assign dollar amounts to the various items. The committee had no previous budget to use as a precedent, and as a result, considered the community feedback from Montlake's April SurveyMonkey results. The committee also asked Jim Roe what amount he suggested for two categories. The hope is that this draft budget can get refined, improved, voted upon, and used. Each trustee (that's YOU) is asked to send feedback by e-mail to the finance committee of Anita, Arthur, Connie and Elaine. The draft budget covers three years. The club's fiscal year is September to September.

Coalition/520 update— Jonathan:

The Coalition's lawsuit filed in July, was turned down in August, and the question of *what now* is being debated. Factors up in the air include possible appeals; possible I-90 tolling; political intercession. Jim, Anita, and Jonathan will meet with Fran Conley to discuss legal options such as an appellate appeal.

WSDOT letter from Montlake:

All ten trustees present signed the letter that had been drafted originally by Jon Decker, then heavily edited and lengthened with trustee input. Tomorrow, Arthur will mail out copies.

Neighborhood Plan update— Anita:

No update this time.

Flyer, Website updates, etc.— Colin:

No recent updates to our website. Colin will find out if Bryan has been contacting advertisers for the *Flyer*. Signy will edit the September *Flyer*.

September 12th General meeting:

To feature both a presentation on the process to register Montlake School as a landmark, and a political candidate and issues forum. Jon Decker will contact Susan Boyle of BOLA Architecture and Planning; Jim will coordinate the political portion.

Seattle Prep's Delmar property— Anita:

Anita moved, Jim seconded, and all approved that the Club send this letter:

To: Seattle Design Commission and SR-520 Community Design Process

From: The Montlake Community Club

Re: Boyer/Delmar Park and Path Proposal

The Montlake Community Club encourages the conversion of the two-acre property currently owned by Seattle Prep between Boyer and Delmar into a safe pedestrian and bicycle connection between these two streets. A path navigating the natural slope of the hillside and surrounded by a landscaped park would be welcomed by the Montlake Community.

Thank you for your support of neighborhoods and preserving available park spaces.

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New business:

Steve asked if any trustees care to look proposing a standing rule allowing us to conduct **e-mail votes** on matters.

Anita will send Steve the pertinent portions from the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order.

Kathy asked if we should meet again with the **WSDOT personnel** before the latter meet with Seattle City Council September 10th. The consensus is, "no; our letter says what we have to say."

Jim suggested that maybe a few Montlakers are interested in a September **garden harvest tour**. He volunteer to look into the matter.

Meeting ended at 8:45.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur Lee Jacobson, August 17th 2012