JPCSMS Board Meeting Minutes February 23rd, 2022

In attendance Board (10): Brad Brown, Brie Pullum, Craig Panzer, Janet Galloway, Karen O'Brien, Michael Reiskind, Paul Stamatos.

In attendance (6): Delhia Emanuel, Ginger Brown, Luis Ottonelli, My'Kel McMillen (City of Boston), Nicole Gunn, Dale Cumberbatch, Liz Cumberbatch.

January 2022 Meeting Minutes: –

Motion to approve with corrections-Deborah not present and Delhia's name by Janet Seconded by Brad - Approved 5-0-0.

Treasurer's Report - Craig Panzer:

• Cash on hand $41,201.51, liabilities $2,142.05, profit

Total revenue $12,582.97, expenditures $7,292.00 mostly payroll, net revenue $5,290.54.

JP CSMS Board: Reports of activity:

A. Cada Dia-Nicole Gunn

The members of JP Facebook Group private page (9900 Members) has been displaying and verbalizing racial and derogatory comments to Nicole and her staff due to her usage of Herbalife products and her support of the police both online and in person. She had changed her provider but is still getting negative behavior. This had been ongoing for a year.

Ginger met with Nicole on Friday February 25th, 2022, to draft a letter to the city regarding this behavior.

Suggestion made to contact media (Boston Globe writer-Goldstein) and sending the letter.

Brad stated that David Doyle had also been targeted in this way.

Karen suggested creating a new group representing the Real JP., Craig agrees. Deborah can take pictures of support. Janet suggested organizing a show of support.

What is the status with the city, BAPA and other organizations?

Brad called for the group to organize: - Karen & Michael to meet next week.

B. **Secretary**

Janet considering but the time would need to change.

C. **Outdoor dining**

Ginger created letter to Mayor Wu's office regarding outdoor dining which was reviewed by Delhia Emanuel and Brad Brown.

The current state's status on the pandemic and its effects. Determining the cost to maintain out-door dining.

Streamlining the application process.

Motion to approve by Michael Reiskind, seconded by Janet Galloway.

All in favor 7-0-0.

D. **Spring Fundraiser**:

Aiming for April /May 2022. A group to plan the event consisting of Karen, Brad, Janet, possible Delhia and Ginger. Possibly a dance-a-thon to make a big splash.

E. **Annual Meeting**: - Michael, Deborah, and Brie

Meeting is scheduled for March 23rd, 2022, with a speaker. Hopefully an in-person affair. We shall recognize George's Shoe Store a 100-year-old business, Location is TBD. Trying First Universal Church, maybe the Footlight Club. An email was sent but a response hasn't been received.

We are hoping for 50 plus people. Village Works is not currently available and hold 30ppl. Loring Green max at 40ppl.

F. **Racial Equity and Inclusion (REI) Working Group - Craig Panzer:**

Event was held on January 18.

Committee has joined with Economic Vitality Committee.

G. **Design Working Group - Michael Epp**: Not available

Village Works building was nominated for the preservation award.

Letter of support motioned by Brad and Karen seconded. 5 in favor.

H. **Economic Vitality (EV) Working Group**: Ginger

Survey of business owners and employees - what's their demographics?

The benefits of housing 15-20 owners with 5-10 employees.

Adam Grenier will have students distribute survey to help with staff retention/staff shortages.

I. **Promotion & Events Working Groups:** N/A
Annual Meeting
Spring Fundraiser

J. **Executive Director's Report -** Ginger Brown:

National Main Street retreat will be in Richmond, Virginia from

May 16-18. JPCSMS can help pay. Brad, Ginger, and Brie will be attending. Discussion on Equity.

News on the Street:

Establishing a Transformative art gallery using a shipping container. Setting up might be between Burroughs and Thomas or to Elliot.

K: Old Business/New Business:

Jason Gregorius is the owner of JP Movie Night. They are hoping to use the projector to display movies on the wall by fire station.

Showa Institute tour–Satellite Location –Japan University

Little Cocoa Bean will have an abutter's meeting on March 1st, 2022.

Natalya Urtubey will be stepping down on March 4th, 2022.

The head of Boston Main Street left, and Gary Delgado will fill in.

There are new grants-American Family Act

At-Large-Councilor Erin Murphy will be doing a walk thru of the district on March 5th, 2022.

Restore projects (Cada Dia, Said & Done Tattoo, and Monumental Market) with Luis

Grant for You Are Loved mural in the amount of $7,000.00

Mural will be at Dunkin Donuts: Maybe a walking tour or another parklet.

Meeting adjourned at 6:20pm.

NEXT MEETING will be on April 27th, 2022