

**Fan District Association
Board of Directors**

MEETING MINUTES
February 01 – 7:00 PM
Via Zoom

CALL TO ORDER

FDA President Martha Warthen called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Board Members Present: Martha Warthen, Jerry Beverage, Rebecca Keller, Christy Lantz, Ian Lim, Jonathan Marcus, Chris Morem, Christine Peterson, Melissa Savenko, Julie Seward, Lacy Williams.

Board Members Absent: Tim Beane

Guests Present: David Naoroz, Luke Schraeder, Sven Philipson, Katherine Jordan

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

January minutes were unanimously approved.

Safety and Policing: Lt Naoroz and Lt Schrader updated on latest neighborhood activity. VCU and the City partner on safety activities. VCU is following conduct related to house parties and other large student gatherings. The City notes significant general crime reduction over the last year. Activity around the monuments continues with some citizen complaints about potential drug activity. Completion of the Lee Monument fence affects movement and camps continue to be removed.

City Council: Katherine Jordan introduced Sven Philipson, her new liaison, and noted upcoming events including a planned March district meeting. She continues to get feedback on a variety of issues including the proposed casino and Richmond 300.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Transfer of treasurer responsibilities is moving forward with a full treasurer's report available at the March meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Programs and Events: Our holiday event raised over \$12,000 and was a huge success. Ian will coordinate thank you's to key stakeholders and invites Board members to join him. The Board decided that proceeds would be divided between annual meeting expenses, neighborhood activities like concerts and designated grants.

The City is again dispatching its graffiti removal team. We should encourage funding for related quality of life issues in the proposed budget.

Grants. Christine is managing our process for distribution of FDA grants. Given success of the holiday event, we can consider more awardees. A website poll will ask residents where grants should be awarded in the following categories: schools, neighborhood, park improvements or the needy.

Communications. The FDA Newsletter requests that information for each issue be submitted on time.

Code Enforcement and Zoning. FDA, along with a number of neighborhood groups, submitted amendments to the Richmond 300 plan. The Board supports an active community education plan and consistent messaging in all Fan publications about potential neighborhood impact of evolving land use decisions. With multiple, complex City land use and planning issues in the offing, the Board will consider whether we need a member to work directly with advocacy issues.

FDA does not oppose the 206 N Vine SUP.

Membership. Invoicing for membership dues will begin soon.

Parks. FDA will again host a spring clean up day and hopes to partner with ASPIRE.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40.