

FCA Board Meeting
10/13/2015

In attendance: Mike Dey, Susan Dey, David Haggerty, Jewel Von Kempf, Shannon Ninburg, Michael Lieberman, Debbie Kerns, Gordon Wiehler, Gary Dawson, Bruce Butterfield, Martin Westerman, guests - Julia Hodges, Mary Fleck, Jim Curtin.

Board minutes from Sept. were approved as written.

Empower Mentoring - mentoring program at Denny - Julia Hodges

This year's program officially starts on Nov 5th

Students age 11-13 and "Tier 2 track" – they don't need immediate intervention but could use some support.

Mentors have to be at least 21, pass background checks, pass interview and commit to a full year.

Looking for someone who wants to give back and is a good listener – someone who can help the kids make the right decisions...not tell, but guide.

They tackle life topics like racism, drugs and violence, cyber bullying, etc. Mentors help them to grow into healthy adults.

They only have 6 adult mentors at the moment – they'd like 9.

They are a non-profit and are all donations based.

They have gotten funding for this year – can pay for food during meetings and portion of activities for the mentor with the kids.

It's primarily during the academic year, but there is one activity during the summer.

Workshops – 1st Thursday of every month 6:15 – 8:00

Mentor and student meet whenever they want. The mentors meet with the parents at the beginning.

They have 1 to 1 student/mentor ratios

Julia's background – she graduated from UW in community psychology - - this program was a school project. She pitched the program to Denny.

Endolyne Triangle Traffic – Jim Curtin, SDOT

He had a PP presentation that he used to share where SDOT is with the project.

Marty W shared that this all started 11 years ago, when there were several traffic accidents at the triangle and crossing guard needs across from park, at Rose. And he shared what we had done more recently – since the walking tour in November. Mike mentioned that this traffic revision has been talked about with SDOT for 40 years.

SDOT looks at police crash reports and fire dept. reports – to gather their data. Four crashes will get SDOT's attention.

He showed a draft design where they would change Brace Point into one way heading east. The current west bound traffic lane would be back-in angled parking. Design includes a small plaza area on the east end. Eleven (11) parking spaces would replace the 5 or spaces that currently exist.– The asphalt would be painted tan and then large concrete flower boxes added. Stop sign for traffic heading east at the top of the triangle may be able to be removed. [\(Post meeting note: business owners are not in favor of removing that stop sign because of speed control and turning onto 44th southbound from California Ave SW\).](#)

They've also looked at adding another painted tan area on the west end of Brace Point Drive at the triangle with possibly some bike parking, art installation and concrete planters.

Jim said we want to design for the off peak periods – not for peak/rush hour.

Discussion about adding a cross walk from 44th SW to the new "plaza" – Jim said that there are Federal guidelines that have to be followed.

They are looking at future bike lanes on Barton – but no time soon.

There was also discussion about the southerly most parking in front of Joe's and the issue with line of sight coming out of their parking lot. One suggestion was turning those two spaces into bike parking in front of Joe's. (Note: there is already a bike rack in front of Joe's on the sidewalk.)

Guest, Mary Fleck asked about the chance of de-paving vs. just painting the asphalt (due to the paint chipping and ending up in the water ways)

Jim responded, saying that this greatly increased the cost of the project and could delay or make it difficult to move forward. They do use a water soluble paint.

Jewel questioned if Rain Wise may contribute with adding a rain wise garden on the east end.

Next steps/Action

SDOT will do more outreach and talk with businesses. They also want to get more data to learn how many people use Brace Point Dr. to drive southwest. Thus, SDOT plans to do some traffic measurements at the top of the triangle in the next month or so.

Mike mentioned that we could organize a community meeting and also contact the business and invite them also – if they'd like.

Jewel mentioned that she is planning a SNAP meeting in a month anyway. She is going to connect with Jim.

Jim said that they will definitely contact the businesses in the triangle and then could also do a community meeting too.

Jewel mentioned the idea of an email and a flyer to share what's happening.

The communication could be written from SDOT and FCA – in partnership together.

Mike proposed that the FCA will have further discussion about this and then get back to Jim within a week – and also give the businesses a heads up that they will be contacted by SDOT. (Post meeting note: Mike has forwarded on the business contact information to Jim.)

City Light Meeting re: substation property – Shannon Ninburg

Shannon and Mike attended a City Council meeting at the end of Sept.

The Delridge community has raised the money for the City Light substation in their community (\$80k). Ours has a value of \$245K. City Light is required by law to sell the property for fair market value. The properties cannot be given away or donated.

Shannon met with the Delridge Community president, Willard Brown and he told her how he Googled possible groups that would contribute.

Shannon also met with Michelle Connor – Executive VP of Forterra – a non-profit land trust organization – to brainstorm ideas on how to raise money. Michelle gave Shannon some leads on granting organizations.

Michelle also suggested getting drawings of what the future use and plan for the property would be.

Michelle said to not get caught up with future plan costs, right now but to focus on the plan(s) to raise the money to acquire the property..

Shannon learned about the Pomegranate Center in Issaquah – a non-profit organization whose mission is to develop community spaces, in partnership with the community. They have a whole process for doing this – a series of meetings and workshops. They would charge \$13-20K to lead the charge on this for us. The money doesn't have to be fully raised before they start their work.

We (The Fautleroy Community) have been told by City Light that we have a one-year timeline to complete the purchase.

There was a discussion of various ways that we could approach fund raising. Mike said they he feels that we would need to move quickly to start getting community involvement.

Mary asked if it may be possible to get a grant from the Dept. of Neighborhoods for the work that Pomegranate Center would do.

Jewel mentioned the idea of tapping into the UW Dept. of Landscape Design for help from students to complete the project plan, as their class or graduate school assignment.

David mentioned that we may be able to have Pomegranate Center come and speak with us.

The City of Seattle neighborhood small and simple grants program is a matching grant that is up to \$20K. It requires a 50% matching from the community, which includes time from the community, at \$20/hour. Consideration of cost of liability insurance and taxes was also discussed and will be looked into.

Next Steps/Action

Shannon and Jewel will meet and further discuss plans, along with Mary from the Seattle Green Space Coalition and Mike Dey.

Fish ladder Proposal Vote – Mike Dey

Call for a vote on Judy Pickens' proposal for maintaining the Fauntleroy Creek fish ladder. – David 1st, Bruce 2nd. The proposal was approved by a unanimous vote of the Board to spend the \$450/year in maintenance/clean up fees.

Car 2 Go – Gary Dawson

Gary has been having email exchange about them parking in our neighborhood.

Fauntleroy Ferry Traffic Cop – Gary Dawson

It's basically going well.

Gary showed the goals of them handling the ferry traffic.

Ferries – Gary Dawson

Lots of changes with new leadership

Dock efficiencies, Fauntleroy traffic, they'd like to eliminate walk on drop offs on the end of dock – which they probably won't do.

Gary said he told them if they'd like us to be good neighbors, be good neighbors.

Dock work – they need to replace 2-3 pilings at the end of the dock and they asked for the best time period that they could do the work and time of day. (safe for fish and noise for neighbors)

Mike mentioned that we need to make sure that accidents are reported in front of the park - those caused due to ferry traffic.

Post Fauntleroy Fall Festival overview and feedback gathered – Deb Kerns

Overall, it was another successful event that was very well attended.

We received over \$600 in cash donations day of the event.

FCA booth location was much improved and the bubble machine was a big hit with kids. Jewel brought in 7 new members using the Square credit card reader. Thank you Jewel!

Feedback/ideas:

Have food inside the schoolhouse when the big band is playing

Offer coffee both in the main lot and behind the schoolhouse

For FCA table - keep the bubble machine (the machine was purchased)

Need better banners and signs for the FCA booth

Gordon mentioned idea to have "Membership matters"

Discussion about event sponsorship; The Y is the largest donor with a \$2,000 donation every year.

Mike mentioned that FCA should increase our donation to \$1,000 (increase by \$500) + \$500 from biz memberships.

Meeting adjourned well past 9:00pm 😊

Since we do not have a Board meeting in December Mike said that the Dec 8 date “meeting” will be a holiday dinner hosted by Mike and Susan at their home beginning at, 6:30pm

Meeting minutes compiled and submitted by Deb Kerns, Secretary.