

St Johns Booster General Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2016

Booster Board present: Beth Preciso, Mike Johnson, Mary Ann Aschenbrenner, Christina Marino, Nancy Arvesen

Introductions of attendees.

No **Treasurer's** report.

IT report: Pages will go up this weekend as there was a small glitch. Poster for lighting fund will also be posted.

Membership: Maybe 39? Everyone is part of the membership committee so bring a business friend.

Business District Relations: Union at St Johns developing. Working on highway sign for HWT 30. Pursuing with ODOT.

Promotions Report: Trick or Treat Walk will be Saturday, Oct 29 from 1:00–3:00 PM. St Johns Center for Opportunity is printing the posters. St Johns Neighborhood Association is providing the balloons. Kert Wright and Beth Preciso are doing the organizing and marketing. Not high sales but good feedback.

Night on the Town will be the Friday before Thanksgiving, November 18. Kert Wright and Beth Preciso are organizing and marketing. There will be a nominal fee and they will need items for gift baskets. Also need help—Christina Marino, Howard Greenfield, Rachel Jones volunteered.

Operations: Working on funding the tree lights. Will try to get 68 cans in the business district, article in the Review, mention on the kiosks, and posters. Goal is \$5000 -- \$250 per tree.

Revive the Plaza – we will be working with St Johns Center for Opportunity. Working to create a contest for designs for the canvas covers of the planters in the plaza, possibly seasonal.

Howard Greenfield reported that the estimate to fix the Plaza clock will be \$8900 without installation. Help us find an electrician.

Guest Speaker: Grant O'Connell from Tri Met.

Grant spoke about the proposal to close some of the bus stops in the business corridor. Please contact Tri Met if you have questions.

New Business: University Park Business Association has disbanded.

St Johns Neighborhood Association will have a combined General and Board meeting on Oct 10 starting at 7:00 PM. It will be the elections meeting.

Booster elections will be held at the November meeting on Weds, Nov 16. The process will be reviewed at the Oct meeting on Weds, Oct 19 at 7:15 AM at the Johns Street Café. We are hoping to add new board members.
Cathedral Park Preschool is looking for supporters.

Mainstreet will become the St Johns Center for Opportunity. Lindsay will make the announcement soon.

MESO (Microenterprise Services of Oregon) will have a representative at the Center every Thursday from 9:00–5:00 to help local businesses.

Ugly Sweater Pub Crawl will start at Leisure at 5:00 PM on Dec 3. 80 people participated last year. This year there will be 5 pubs represented.

If you have questions concerning the air quality of St Johns, contact Jennifer Levy–Cascade Environmental Solutions, LLC.