# JANUARY 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2021 MEMBER MEETING MINUTES ON ZOOM TO BE APPROVED ON FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2021

## St. Johns Boosters Business Association Monthly Member Meeting-

### JANUARY 27<sup>TH,</sup> 2021 MEETING MINUTES

#### CALLED TO ORDER @8:10A.M.

#### In attendance:

**BOARD** 

Liz Smith, Christine Longmuir, Abbie Denton, Rachel Jones, Daphne Girard, Maria Rojas, Leah Dowling

22 total participants

Venture Portland – Kathy Madore

Wayfinding Academy: Karl Hayes

ABSENT, EXCUSED - Abbie Denton

SECRETARY REPORT: Adriana Alexander made a motion to approve the December General Meeting Minutes and Christine Longmuir second, minutes where approved.

TREASURERS REPORT: N/A

Board Retreat: The board did not elect any new board members for January but have a few business owners that we will propose in March. Christine Longmuir owner Two River Bookstore took on the role as our Vice President.

Membership Updates – New member Bodacious Beans located in the Colony parking lot serving coffee.

Grant's Committee: A grant from travel Portland is due on Feb.3rd, 2021.

Banners Committee: Able Sage estimate to repair all banners will cost \$1,000.00. We will ask Able Sage is there different materials that would stabilize the banners from future damage so quickly?

District Relations: The community came out strong to support their local retailers reported Two River Bookstore. Salty Tea cup had a nice amount of on-line orders. ROM changed whole business model along with Metamorphic. Many restaurants built outdoor seating to continue business.

Plaza Update: There are 7 campers as of last night but changes daily. Trash is being managed by Robert and being picked up. Fire can burn endless it is a nuisance then call non-emergency.

Neighborhood Association leadership Forum: Houseless Community gathering in the plaza for the Wed noon free lunch is one of the focuses. Also neighbors dropping off unwanted stuff that may not be used turning into more trash around the plaza.

SJNA Store Front Improvement Grants: Landlords are eligible for the grants. The grants are only available to the urban renewal area. The St. Johns Farmers Market applications are open. Deadline for applications are April30th 2021. When applying if you submit with a bid much shorter process.

Guest Speaker: Jataune Hall (MESO Micro Enterprise System of Oregon) (jhall@mesopdx.org)

This program is available to for profit businesses looking to set goals. Many goals are to increase revenue, build credit and know different lending firms available. Look for classes and workshops offered through SJNA.

PAY IT Forward: Opportunity to pay for a membership of another business this year with the Boosters.

Adjoined @ 9:45 a.m.