

BPC Board Meeting Minutes April 3, 2017

Albany Public Library—Bach Branch

Meeting Attendees: Felton McLaughlin, Anne Savage, Marsha Penrose, Grace Bennett, Elisabeth Draper, Nancy Costello, and Tyler Bellick

Not in attendance: Gabi Sarhos, Mark Bechard, Marjorie Geiger

--Felton discussed last meeting's notes and updates.

--Anne went over the treasurer's report and highlighted the large donation for the playground. She spoke about the Bricks fundraiser and the number of donations.

--The group discussed how the Lobo family heard about the project from the “viral” Brick posting on Facebook.

--Elisabeth mentioned that the playground designer will be in town on 4/11 at 10 a.m.

--Grace provided updates on membership and spoke about the success of the BPC's various mailing efforts.

--Grace noted that this year's mailing was much more successful than last year's postcards. Envelope mailers are worth the effort.

--Grace showed everyone our new “thank you” notes for any donors of over \$500.

--The group voted to accept the treasurer's report. It was motioned and moved.

--It was agreed that we would continue to sell the bricks. The sale of bricks will continue until we meet with Kompan.

--We will be meeting with Brie on 4/11 at 10 a.m. to discuss various design options.

--Once we have a finalized conceptual design, we will ask for a meeting with the city (DGS, DEC, and Rachel McEneny).

--Felton gave a NYSFOLA update. We won't be eligible for C-SLAP water testing in 2017 but we're on the waiting list for 2018.

--Gabi Sarhos was nominated to the Board of Directors. Felton will call her tomorrow to see if she wants to accept.

--Felton was nominated as President by Anne--Felton nominated Elisabeth as VP--and Felton nominated Anne as Treasurer. All nominations were voted on and passed.

--The group voted to make Nancy Costello a Board Member. Marsha nominated, motion was seconded and it passed unanimously.

--Nancy was then nominated to be Secretary—motion was seconded and Nancy is now Board Secretary.

--Marsha gave an update about the BLNA meeting on March 9th; lots of traffic issues and problems with zombie homes.

--Update on the Water Dept. erosion/shoreline. Joe Coffey provided updated designs. Hopefully work will commence this summer.

--The group discussed the spring cleanup. April 30 is the date, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Grace will email the city with this date.