

Lark Street BID Board Meeting Minutes

August 6, 2009

Attendance: Jerry Aumand, Matt Badalucco, Richard Berkley, Erin Brewer, Richard Conti, Jeffrey Gritsavage, Donald Keenan, Maryanne Repecki, Chris Schloss, Tyler Wrightson

Staff: Mary Spinelli, Michael Weidrich

Guest: Matt Montesano, RA DePrima

Absent: Matt Baumgartner, Maude Baum, Rob Curry, Megan Daly, Dino Kacani

Opening Remarks

The meeting commenced at 6:15. Jeffrey Gritsavage asked for the board to review and approve the minutes. Richard Conti moved to approve the July minutes. Richard Berkley seconded and all were in favor.

Committee Reports

▪ Executive Committee

Gritsavage reported that the Executive Committee had met electronically to discuss two issues:

1. Michael's request for tuition funds. The Executive Committee agreed to paying the tuition fees under the condition that Weidrich would not leave before 2010. Gritsavage sought a motion from the board to approve the \$1,200. Richard Berkley made a motion that Michael's Tech Valley leadership program be paid by the BID. Richard Conti seconded and all were in favor.
2. October Board Retreat. Determining the goals of the retreat to be setting strategic objectives and socializing. Weidrich stated that he would like to achieve setting the 2010 priorities in one single session rather than spreading it over several meetings. Jerry Aumand suggested doing a half day session. Chris Schloss suggested two shorter meetings. The board decided the best solution would be to have a long (aprox. 3 hours) dinner meeting in place of the October board meeting.

▪ Public Safety

Richard Conti reported that the next Public Safety Committee Meeting would be held on the 14th and that there was no meeting in July. Matt Montesano discussed Operation Impact and reported on various robberies occurring in the area.

▪ Environmental Committee

RA DePrima presented information on the "Big Belly" solar powered compressible garbage/recycling cans.

▪ Business Retention and Recruitment

Tyler Wrightson stated that he had created an online forum for businesses and was working on having incoming businesses contact the BID as a resource.

▪ Marketing Committee

▪ Development Committee

▪ Finance Committee

▪ **Special Events**

Weidrich gave an update on LarkFEST including announcing the headliner for 2009 (Moby).

Other Business

At 8:30 Donald Keenan motioned to adjourn, Chris Schloss seconded, all were in favor.