

February SJNA Monthly Board Meeting
February 24th, 2014- St. Johns Community Center
Minutes by: Crystal Glanz-Kreutz, SJNA Secretary

The meeting began at 8:08pm. Board members in attendance were Jen Levy, Emilie Saks-Webb, Justin Sundling, Adam Robins, Shamus Lynsky, Joe Adamski, Babs Adamski, Ben Poe, David Green and Crystal Glanz-Kreutz. Sarah Andersen was also in attendance.

Shamus acts on behalf of the St. Johns Bizarre and asks for \$300 from the SJNA. Babs mentions that she would also like to ask for money from the SJNA for the St. Johns Parade (which is held on the same day as the Bizarre). Sarah mentions that for local bars and restaurants that the parade/bizarre day is like their "Black Friday". Jen asks if the SJNA will have their table fee waived if they donate \$300 to the event, Shamus says yes. Our treasurer, Jason, is out- so we all agree to table the idea until we can have a look at our SJNA funds.

Shamus also introduces the idea of the Bizarre, Main St., Boosters and SJNA working together to get money via grants in order to create a "bank" of shared supplies; frequently used items for events, such as: tables, chairs, tents, fencing, etc.

Jen discusses the Celebrate North Portland Event. It's a big annual event at the University of Portland, this year "Magic Show" is the theme. After much discussion, we'll be passing. The cost of the table is significant and unless we can share with another group (to lessen our expense) we would rather put our SJNA to use elsewhere; like in the community.

Babs and Ben met with our new neighborhood response team lead: Mike Schmerber. He manages the area west of I-5. They spoke about our neighborhood, changing demographics, hot spots, etc. The parking lot behind Anna Bananas/ Moonshine (really the Portland Rose and Blue Bird) has been a huge concern for some time. There is talk about police resources; such as that there are only 7 undercover officers for all of Portland and only 5 officers for the North Portland area. There is talk of creating a committee to create a forum for concerns. It is important that there is safety and livability throughout and for all of St. Johns. Babs makes a motion for a Safety and Livability committee. Adam seconds, there is unanimous voice approval.

David would like to redesign the SJNA website. He will work with Gabrielle to make these changes and improvements.

The meeting is adjourned at 8:34pm.