Foster Powell Neighborhood Association (FPNA) General Meeting Monday, February 9, 2015, 6:30-8:30pm, Foster Burger

Board Members in Attendance: Li Alligood, Vicki Wilson, Tracy Gratto, Erica Bjerning, Jennifer Merrill, Christian Smith, Dan Campbell

General Membership in Attendance: Alex, John, Vikki, Amanda, Nadia, Enrique, Di, Alex, Claire, Janette, Eva, Alan, Francoise, Keri, Eric, Dick, Leah, Beth

6:30-6:35 Meet and Greet

6:35-6:40 Welcome and introductions

6:40 Board Action: Approve Minutes for January 12, 2015 General Meeting

Motion to approve: Erica, Second: Tracy, none opposed.

6:41 Jennifer Merrill shares the proposed draft of the neighborhood association yearly budget with the group: Tracy: Do we have to spend funds on specific line item? Jennifer: No, we can use the money in a different way if we need to.

Board Action: Motion to forward draft: Christian, Second: Erica

6:48 Information-2015 Events and identifying point people and volunteers for each-Tracy **Gratto:** We need to identify leads and volunteers for each event. National Night Out is a priority. The streetscape is something we may need volunteers with. Christian recounts the streetscape for new neighbors, groundbreaking will be early next calendar year. The Foster Powell Community Garden always needs help. The Neighborhood Clean Up is a partnership with Mt. Scott Arleta. The garden tour has been a lower priority because it is quite a bit of work. The biggest piece of garden tour work is the maps. The garden tour is 10-30 hours a week for one person for a few months. There needs to be a lead and a team for the garden tour to divide up the work. National Night Out's Music in the Park needs a 15 hour team. There are people who have run all of these events that can help guide new volunteers. Movie in the Park is pretty easy because Parks runs it mostly but we need fundraising help to pay for the event. Movie in the park is also a 10-15 hour commitment. The Chinook Book has been a fundraiser for the neighborhood and will need a person to coordinate it again. Tracy gauges interest for volunteers. Several new people are interested in volunteering. If you know someone in your neighborhood who wants to help, please let them know how. We'll discuss it more next month, too.

7:15 -7:20 Information-Board Recruitment-Li Alligood, Chair, and Tracy Gratto: Several board positions coming open are: Land Use and Co Chair, Treasurer and Secretary, SEUL delegate. Mt Scott Liaison

7:20-7:35 Information: Committee Reports

- Communications-Erica Bjerning: nothing at this time.
- Foster-Powell Community Garden-Vicki Wilson: We have just received word that the Foster Powell Community Garden will receive a \$2500 grant from the SE Uplift Neighborhood Small Grant Program. This amount, in addition to our fundraisers and donors should put us within spitting distance of the plan being finished this summer. We are ready to begin assigning beds in late February or early March. We'll begin work parties again in March and have the Annual Plant Sale Fundraiser in April. More information about the garden is available at www.62ndgarden.wordpress.com
- Foster-Powell Street Tree Inventory-Vikki Oglesbee: The tree inventory will be hanging in the lobby of the library. Li refreshes our knowledge of the tree inventory. More information is available at https://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/53181
- -- Foster Window Project-Vicki Wilson: We have installed the art panels for the first Foster Window Project. In the next few weeks we will install the corner panels and do some sprucing up. We are holding off on the ramp up for the Habibi Building. We are overbooked with jobs and shows and someone removed our site poster and we will need to work that out before continuing. We expect to pick it up again sometime in March. Information about the project is available at www.fosterwindowproject.wordpress.com

7:36 Information: Representative reports

- **Holgate Library-** Vikki talks about Show us your favorite app. Appaloosa, Ubu, Thirteen, Good Reads. Pinterest can advise you on lists of books to read. Make collages out of your favorite photos. Lunar New Year is Feb 23rd. www.mulcolib.org
- -- Treasurer-Jennifer is just waiting for approval of budget. We just got check from last years clean up.
- Land Use nothing at this time.
- **Transportation Dan Campbell talks about the Transportation system plan (TSP).** The last day for public input is March 14. The city is suggesting a 72nd greenway. An 80's bikeway is also being suggested by community member. The city is asking us to recommend our top 5 transportation projects. We will organize that next month. Ben and Keri have put in work for the 72nd greenway. We could endorse it as the Foster Powell Neighborhood Association so that it is continued. 67th and Holgate letter: It's on Erica/Christian's list for next month. No one is really talking about 82nd and Foster and the high crash corridor on the TSP. Dan says 82nd is part of the TSP budget up to 99th on Foster. The transfer of 82nd from State to City is still possible.
- **Foster-Green EcoDistrict-no report.** They have been meeting monthly but we have not been attending. We'll look on Mt Scott Arleta for update.
- Foster Road Streetscape & Transportation Plan (addressed earlier). Dan: we need to think about backlash once changes begin.

7:45-8:00 General Business, Open Discussion

Christian suggests we send Bar Carlo a letter of thanks for hosting us.

Erica motions to adjourn: Tracy seconds

