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Meeting Minutes for the Board of Directors of the Portsmouth Neighborhood Association  
March 15, 2011 – 7:30-8:30 PM at the Community Education Center, 4625 N. Trenton Ave.

**Attendees:**

Board Members: Diana Bartlett (Secretary); Vicki Ezell; Mitch Gould; Susan Landauer; Virginia Scott; Sam Thompson; Mary-Margaret Wheeler-Weber

Absent Board Members: Greg Wilhelm (Chair); Rachel Burdon (Vice Chair); Matthew Denton (Treasurer)

Guests: Jason Barnstead-Long

Quorum: Yes

**Treasurer's report:**

- No update.

**Committee Reports:**

- Community Outreach
  - Nothing to report.
- Livability
  - Dumpster Day – We have not heard from Rick. Need to finalize date as soon as possible. Vicki will bring small trailer and Mitch will bring truck. Diana made a motion for a maximum of \$75 for food/refreshments for volunteers at April Dumpster Day. Vicki seconded. The motion passed
  - The Livability Committee has been approached by a neighbor (Dale Knorr) to make more of an effort to stop littering in the neighborhood. One anti-litter effort idea is to put out signs asking people to “Show Neighborhood Pride, Please Don’t Litter.” Dale has designed a sign. Sam has gone to Signs Northwest for PNA signs in the past. Susan will research the costs and bring back a proposal for the board at the next meeting.
  - We will be holding a neighborhood litter cleanup along N Haven, Lombard and possibly additional streets (depending on the number of volunteers we recruit) on April 30th from 10:00AM – 12:00PM.
  - Successful Graffiti Grant – Graffiti cleanup kits are available. Vicki asked if we would like to order a few kits. Consensus was that there would be interest in having kits available. Vicki will invite Mark Wells to the community meeting to speak for 5 minutes.
  - Dale Knorr has agreed to be on Livability committee. Diana made a motion to add Dale to the Livability Committee. Susan seconded. The motion passed.



- Diana announced that she would not be returning to the board for another term and would therefore like to resign as Livability Committee Chair effective immediately. Diana Bartlett made a motion to nominate Vicki to be the Livability Committee Chair. Susan seconded. Motion passed.
- Communications
  - Newsletter – Sam will need articles by March 20th. Vicki will coordinate delivery. Cesar Chavez school will take stack.
  - Facebook page: There was some recent concern over the PNA’s position on “endorsing” businesses on Facebook. After some discussion there was consensus that there was no need to make a policy on this issue.
- Land Use
  - Mitch went to Columbia River Crossing (CRC) Meeting at Kenton Firehouse on March 14. Presenters confirmed that the bridge is happening. All are waiting for Governor to decide, though it is well known that he supports the CRC.
- Events
  - Community Forum Planning: Date will be April 19th from 7:00-8:30 PM with a light supper at 6:30 PM.
  - There was some discussion about whether the community forum would still be a table format. Most people voiced support for the format. The following list of tables were suggested/agreed upon:
    - Crime prevention table (Someone to contact police to give crime report?)
    - Graffiti Cleanup (Vicki to contact)
    - Emergency Preparedness (Sam to arrange)
    - The Water Bureau (Vicki to contact)
    - American Red Cross (Mitch to contact)
    - Fire Fighters (Vicki to contact)
  - Suggestions for setup: Have tables set up in back of room and seating in the front of the room. Last time it was a little confusing in the beginning. PNA needs to buy nametags.
  - Food: We decided to have Board members bring food. Vicki suggested burritos and will make a list of things to bring and assign items to board members if needed.
  - Mitch made a motion that we budget \$100 for the expenses of the Community forum. Diana seconded. Motion passed.
  - T-shirts: Susan brought examples of possible shirt styles. We decided on black shirt with one color printing. Rachel and Susan are taking care of the order. They will order 50.

**New Business:**

- None

Meeting adjourned at 8:58 PM  
Minutes taken by Diana Bartlett