



Eureka Valley Promotion Association

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August 5, 2003

Board Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: 7:00 PM

Board members present: President Gustavo Serina, Corresponding Secretary Jimmer Cassiol, Treasurer Joe Foster, Recording Secretary Mike Babbitt, Judy Hoyem, Rich McCree, David Weiss, Drew Bertagnolli, Gerald Abbott, Pauline Shaver.

Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report: Written report on file. Ongoing discussion of the disconnect between renewal information for members and the collection of dues. This issue should be resolved now that a single membership file will be updated through the office of the Treasurer, and anyone can request a current membership list through the Treasurer.

UTNC Report: 2261 Market Street's permit has been approved for a pharmacy. SF Bike update plan has been sent out, which appears to be mostly regarding increased signage. The Magnet store on 18th Street has received approval of their business permit, which is odd as it has been in place and operating for some months now. 4051 18th Street has applied for a transfer of the liquor license from the Valley Pride Market. The owner is listed as Mukatah Zuhair Khaleel, the owner of at least eight other liquor licenses in the City, but has not brought any info to neighborhood organizations regarding hours of operation or other important facts. Several board members expressed their personal desire to protest the awarding of this license until there was more information about this business.

This brought up a discussion on the EVRC remodel and the lack of neighborhood input into its design and aesthetics. Board Member Drew Bertagnolli pointed out that the new design was focused on the function of the space rather than the form, and to oppose the project at this late date may be impossible and unwise. A motion was made to bring this issue once again to the General Membership to revisit the design of the new EVRC. After debate, the motion failed.

Planning Report: Several issues are being considered by the Planning Committee and will be reported on to the General Membership at the next meeting.

Safety Report: A written report is on file. Discussions and plans for a safe and sober Halloween are ongoing through the help of Supervisor Bevan Dufty's office. It was proposed that EVPA consider participating in the event by building a backdrop for "prom photos" that event participants would pay \$2 to stand in front of for a souvenir picture. This may be brought before the GM for further discussion and consideration.

Some neighborhood businesses have been hit with what appear to be nuisance ADA complaints. This appears to be a trend all across the City. The situation will be monitored in case further action is necessary.

Park and Ed Report: The Committee is fully staffed now with the addition of Gary Weiss and Jack Keating. The Committee will be discussing graffiti problems and the Castro Street Tree Planting efforts at upcoming meetings.

Membership Report: Pauline Shaver has volunteered to take over the duties necessary to bring together the monthly newsletter, Eureka. The first few issues may be rough, but will certainly get better as we all gain more experience.

Internal Affairs Report: Vice President Tom Hanus, and Board Member/Membership Committee Chair Michael Crawford resigned from EVPA recently. All board members indicated their thanks to Tom and Michael for their hard work and many hours of service towards the promotion of EVPA through the newsletter and the web sites. The vacant VP position will be filled by the board and submitted to the general membership for ratification. The vacant committee chairs will be filled by appointments by the President.

The recent EVPA and PTP+M web site problems were discussed, and Mike Babbitt said that he was discussing this situation with Tom and Michael and hopes to have it resolved soon. Additionally, administration of the EVPA web presence will need to be assigned to an experienced and willing EVPA member.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10pm.