



## JANUARY 2019 - MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: January 7, 2019

Place: Public Library, 800 Vine Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor meeting room

Members absent: Ginnie Schlosser

### Items for Discussion/Action

#### Nominating Committee for Board of Trustees - Al Bunker

reported on five names that have been suggested as potential Board candidates. Board members will follow up in the next week to ascertain willingness. The complement of Board members in recent years has ranged from a low of 9 to a high of 17. There are 14 at present, with two known departures (O'Connor and Schlosser) scheduled for March. A slate of nominees will be presented to the Board in February.

Of particular concern was finding a replacement Membership Chair when Dennis O'Connor leaves in March. Board member Christian Rahe offered to take over. Sue further suggested that a new Board member take over responsibility for NSP and IIN funds.

Clean Green and Safe Reports - Sue reported that at the DCI's January 3 meeting Sue Magness, Recycling Coordinator for the City, discussed the new recycling partnership that will begin at the end of the month. Recycling containers with special "lids" specifying what recycling items can be placed inside will be paired with regular trash containers. The Ambassadors will monitor the cans for contents and notify the city if particular building residents are using the cans for regular garbage. Further, several new cigarette urns have been ordered to try to encourage smokers to properly dispose of their cigarette butts. Al reported that, in view of the season, little maintenance was needed on the Path to the Taft. A signal device, designed to alert drivers that a pedestrian wishes to cross Pete Rose Way, was recently installed opposite the Ohio entrance to the Purple People Bridge.

DRC Holiday Party Wrap-Up - Mary Heimert and John Stringer said that the holiday party at Prime had been a success for all concerned. The new arrangement with Prime resulted in an additional net outlay of \$112 of DRC funds compared to last year. Prime management was pleased with their sales, and have invited DRC back for next year's event. Word of mouth from attendees was enthusiastically positive.

Heater Meals - In connection with the holiday party, DRC members were asked to make donations for heater meals (food that can be heated and eaten at a

recipient's convenience). A total of \$1600 was raised. This sum, in combination with some funds left from the Ambassadors' appreciation event and from last year, will be released pending conversations with Chico Lockhart of DCI as to likely demand.

**Update on Social Media Platform Changeover** - Victoria Pershick presented and was thanked for developing a description of the role of a DRC social media officer, outlining the various tasks, systems, and contacts involved in maintaining the website, newsletter, and Facebook page. Victoria and Christian Rahe continue to explore available software packages that might help to consolidate and streamline these activities. Christian noted that certain packages might also help in maintaining membership records and communications, including RSVPs for membership events. Victoria and Christian recommended that each person currently involved in electronic activities should have a named backup; the group concurred.

Andy Reiss volunteered to serve as a guide to the January 8 social event site.

The meeting was adjourned shortly before 7:00.