

DRC Board Meeting Minutes June 11, 2018

Board Members Present: Sue Byrom, Alan Bunker, John Stringer, Mary Jacobs, Mary Heimert, Christian Rahe, Lisa Sprague, Tim Nolan, Andy Reiss, Victoria Pershick, Ginnie Schlosser

Items of Discussion/Action

- **Fido Field-** James Mathews gave a brief outline of the history of the dog park, and a discussion ensued about the funds for this being allocated from Greater Cincinnati Community Foundation through the DRC. After some clarification of the funding process, it was determined that the DRC would no longer act as an agent for Fido Field. Mr. Mathews was offered assistance with obtaining non-profit status, but declined.
- **Changes to Community Councils' Insurance-** After brief discussion, a motion was made to join other neighborhood councils in switching to Driehaus for insurance coverage. A savings on premiums, and more extensive coverage were cited as reasons for the change. Motion was made by Alan Bunker, seconded by Andy Reiss, and passed unanimously.
- **Clean, Green and Safe Update-**Discussion centered around the encampment of homeless persons at 3rd and Plum, with Sue Byrom reporting on the efforts of DCI, and other agencies, to gather data to present to City Council with the goal of coming up with solutions, or remedies, for the negative ramifications of the activity in that area.
- **DRC Constitution changes-**2 areas of the Constitution under discussion were term limits for board members and officers, and non-resident members voting privileges. John Stringer and Tim Nolan will draft language reflecting the possible changes, and present them at the next board meeting. If approved, the draft would go to the membership for a vote.
- **Funds Distribution-** After discussion, it was clarified that funds could be appropriated for posters and flyers to promote the DCI Downtown Tour. It was suggested that 2 Mutt Mitt boxes, which contain gloves for pet owners to clean up public areas from pets, be purchased. Motion was made by Alan Bunker, seconded by Sue Byrom, and passed. The location of the boxes to be determined by DCI, and Ambassadors will keep them filled.

- **Ambassadors Reception**-The positive results of the last reception held for the Ambassadors inspired discussion of repeating the experience. Leadership for this endeavor, location, and other specifics were tabled pending further information.
- **Guide for New Members/Visitors to Social**-Lisa Sprague volunteered to help with this at the member meeting.
- **Treasurer's Report**-Accepted