

# **APRIL 2018: BOARD MEETING – Minutes**

Downtown Residents' Council,  
Inc.



**Date of Meeting:** Wednesday, April 11, 2018 – 6:00 PM  
(3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of Library)

**Board Meeting called to order by:** Gary Bryson

**Attendees:**

Alan Bunker, Gary Bryson, Sue Byrom, Caitlin Douglas,  
Mary Jacobs, Tim Nolan, Dennis O'Connor, Christian Rahe,  
Victoria Pershick, Andrew Reiss and Lisa Sprague.

**Not Attending:**

Mary Heimert, Ginnie Schlosser, and John Stringer informed the Board prior to the meeting that they would not be able to attend.

**Items for Discussion/Action:**

1. Outgoing President Gary Bryson welcomed 2018–2019 Board members Mary Heimert, Christian Rahe and Lisa Sprague and welcomed Tim Nolan for serving another term on the Board.
2. With the three–year term limits of Gary Bryson and Sue Byrom as President and Vice President respectively, a slate of candidates for these and other offices were presented by the Nominating Committee for the 2018 – 2019 term: President, Sue Byrom; Vice–President, Alan Bunker; Corresponding Secretary, Gary Bryson; Recording Secretary, Mary Jacobs; Treasurer, John Stringer; Mary Heimert, Social Secretary; Dennis O'Connor, Membership Secretary; and Ginnie Schlosser, Outreach. A motion was made by Tim Nolan to elect the slate; seconded by Christian Rahe; the motion was passed unanimously.
3. The upcoming "Living Downtown" tour, sponsored by Downtown Cincinnati, Inc., is in the early planning stages. The walking, self–guided tour of possibly ten residential properties will occur between late September and early October. The DRC will provide funds for printed materials regarding the event. The tour provides prospective residents on the plusses of living downtown.
4. Gary described the funding sources for the DRC and the historical use of the funds. While many of the DRC annual expenditures are fixed, such as insurance premiums and web site licensing, the rest are discretionary and spent within guidelines of the fund sources. Beautification projects, neighborhood improvements and community outreach programs, such as the public library and local schools, have been recipients of the DRC donations.
5. Clean, Green and Safe Committee – Alan Bunker presented copies of the committee's monthly report and reiterated the announcement about the DRC's role in the May 18th Greater Cincinnati Corporate Challenge. The appearances of The Path to the Taft and the Ohio side of the Purple People Bridge will be improved through painting and mulching and at no cost to the DRC. 6 to 8 volunteers from our DRC are requested by Cincinnati Parks to help in the event. A reminder "e–blast" will sent to DRC members regarding this event.
6. Other Items included: the need to welcome new members and others by accompanying them to the after meeting socials; developing actions to encourage proper recycling in downtown residences; acquiring an updated photo for the DRC tri–fold brochure; and, evaluating the DRC's involvement in the dog park along Eggleston Avenue. The Board also thanked Membership Secretary Dennis O'Connor for his work on updating the membership records and handling the Annual Dues process.

**Next Board Meeting date:** Monday, May 7, 2018