

**November 2018 - MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
Inc.

Downtown Residents' Council,

**Date:** November 12, 2018 @ 6:00pm

**Place:** Public Library, 800 Vine Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Computer Trainin

**Board members absent:** Ginnie Schlosser, Andrew Reiss, Caitlin D

**Items for Discussion/Action**



1 -Nominating Committee for Board of Trustees:

Al Bunker reported that John Stringer, Caitlin Douglas, and Ca  
Glotfelter (at-large) will serve. Still seeking another at-large r

2 - Piatt Park decorating will take place November 17, 11am-1pm -- Al Bunker

3 - NSP budget proposal for 2019 presented by John Stringer and Sue Byrom, to be voted on  
by membership at Nov. 13 meeting.

4- INN remaining funds for 2018 are to be spent on two Mutt Mitts boxes, on order.

5 - Update on Ambassadors' Appreciation Event - Mary Heimert

She reported that it was a great event! A success from all perspectives. She gave  
special thanks to Tim Nolan and Roz Florez for hosting at the Reserve.

6- Clean Green and Safe Report - Al Bunker

7-DRC Holiday Party - Mary Heimert

To be held at Prime, December 10, for members only. No charge. Guests of members to  
pay \$20 each, by check, at the event. RSVP required. Name tags will be provided for all  
registered.

8- Holiday Outreach - Sue Byrom

Instead of supplying coats for the homeless, Outreach coordinator Chico Lockhart asked  
if the DRC could collect funds to buy heater meals. Change was approved.

9- Update on Social Media- Sue Byrom

The platform for the web page will change over to WordPress. Discussion of oversight  
by the board for all social media postings, including Facebook.  
Victoria Pershick was nominated and approved to be the Coordinator of Social Media and  
Technology, supported by board member Christian Rahe

10-Mary Jacobs volunteered to walk with any new members to the social at BruBurger after  
the meeting on Tuesday.

**OTHER REPORTS**

• Treasurer's Report - John Stringer

Starting balance 10/01/18 \$16,367.23 Ending balance 10/31/18 \$15,637.97

## **CLEAN, GREEN AND SAFE COMMITTEE**

**Report to the DRC Board Meeting of November 12, 2018, by Alan Bunker, Chairperson.**

**October 8 through November 11, 2018** - Removed the last of the invasive honeysuckle shrubs and some small wild pears along the Path that had been obstructing the visibility of the area. Also performed minor weeding and trash pick-up on a couple of occasions at the Path and at the Ohio entrance to the Purple People Bridge (PPB). Perennial plants at both locations performed well in 2018 because of timely and ample rains. The plants' spent flowers and stems will be cut and removed by the end of December.

Received word from Downtown Cincinnati, Inc. (DCI) that two Mutt Mitt stands have been ordered. The cost to the DRC is \$390 plus change. DCI's Zac Finch and his crew will work with the DRC to get them installed in the suitable locations.

The DRC annual Piatt Park Decorating Event has been scheduled for Saturday, November 17th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Nearly 20 DRC members have volunteered. Contact with additional event helpers has been made.

**November 1, 2018** - Attended Safe/Clean Committee meeting at Downtown Cincinnati, Inc. Highlights of the meeting included:

Zac Finch has replaced Sara Sundrup as administrator for the Downtown Ambassador's Program. The Ambassadors continue to power-wash the sidewalks, particularly below trees where birds roost overnight. Leaf clean-up has begun.

The Outreach Program has been focusing its efforts in the Garfield and Court Street areas. Some people have been reported to be sleeping under tarps in the 8th and Broadway area. The 513 Van Program is still working well. The Cold Weather shelter will open December 15th, as scheduled. The overnight shelter (8:00 p.m. to 6:30 a.m.) is simply a shelter and no food is provided.

The police are conducting safety talks with downtown businesses to prevent problems during the upcoming holiday shopping season. There appears to be less scooter-riding on the sidewalks.

The Northwest and Northeast Downtown Neighborhood Sectors have merged and will be meeting every two months rather than each month. The neighborhood leaders reported that things are somewhat quiet except for some occasional late night revelers in the Southwest sector.

The downtown trees will receive preventative maintenance pruning in November and December.

The Keep Cincinnati Beautiful (KCB) fundraiser will be held November 16th.

I reported on the DRC's appreciation party recently held for the Ambassadors. Zac Finch (and those attending this meeting) expressed great thanks for the generous and welcoming party provided by the DRC and its sponsors.

The next meeting of the DCI's Safe/Clean Committee is December 6, 2018.

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