

**PRESENT:**

Todd Foster, Susan Minogue, Ly Tran, Sharon Safarik, Bill Mahoney, Rob Ward, Mary Gallway, Barbara Parker, Galen Kawaguchi, Barney Mansavage, Betsy Zickler, Kristina Darnell, Jay Johnson, Adam Rakunas, Christina Shires, Alvin Moseberry, Jay McCrary, Deirdre McCrary

**PLAYGROUND DESIGN, MADRONA SCHOOL:**

Representatives of Johnson & Sutherland presented a slide show of the two alternative plans developed for the remodel of the school playground. The school's emphasis is to make the playground more a part of the community by changing the existing fencing and adding enhancements to the facilities to make it more interesting and attractive. The students' emphasis is to make it larger and more fun. The school has raised \$100,000 of the \$300,000 goal, although current cost estimates for the two designs are \$360,000 versus \$475,000. Once the final plan is chosen, the group hopes to start work in August. They expect to work in phases throughout the year and raise funds as they go, including offering community events, a film, and dedicated paving stones (possibly ready by Mayfair). The difference between the costs of the two plans stems mainly from use of more or less expensive materials.

**MAYFAIR:**

- Rob is looking for volunteers and has put the request out on several sites as well as asking schools for student volunteers to run the bouncy house and ponies. Todd Foster may know some students willing to help. Sign up at [mmayfairvolunteer.com](http://mmayfairvolunteer.com).
- Barney reported that all permits have been applied for and paid, including food, Parks, special events, food booth, popcorn machine, and cotton candy.
- Food-handling permits are covered with Barney, Bill, and St. Cloud's, but others are invited to acquire a permit for a cost of \$10 and 20 minutes of online instruction.
- Barney has a complete list of sponsors for the poster—Molly Moon, Cambium, 2 doctors, Harvard School, Ewing and Clark, Rock Paper Scissors, and Barney (?)
- Barney will distribute the required handout to adjacent neighbors, as required by the permit
- Insurance is needed (Galen will ask Paul) including attachment from the pony and bouncy house folks
- Confirmation needed regarding carnival games—Bill will find out
- The school has the popcorn machine, and Epiphany Church will provide the labor
- Bill will find out about Brianna's sponsorship
- Jodi Arnold and Edie Hall will run the bake sale again
- Charles the Clown is in, but Barney needs his specific information.
- No confirmation from Blue Thunder
- The ad will go into the May newsletter and Girlie Press will do the posters.
- Bill will check with Garfield regarding use of shelter house.
- Generator needed for bouncy house
- Galen will follow up with Recology regarding bins and collection
- Library has staff coming
- Madrona School will have a raffle/auction and something about the playground project.

**RECENT MADRONA EVENTS;**

Bill reported a good turnout and receptive audience for Neighborhood Appreciation Day. Bill will get awards to the two recipients who weren't present.

**BUDGET:**

Galen reported little activity but all positive. The balance is up by \$2500, including \$2190 in ads. Blossoms received \$2600.

**BYLAWS:**

Deirdre wondered whether our 2014 revision is still in compliance with current non-profit requirements. She will compare ours to Madison Valley's newly revised bylaws.

**NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS:**

- Barbara reported the recent deaths of two residents, Phil Williams (musician who played for our first summer concert) and WC Fields, who attended our concerts.
- Bill suggested announcing the summer concerts in the next newsletter in order to let bands know about the program so that more bands will have the opportunity to apply.
- Epiphany Church will sponsor an egg hunt at 9:30 AM on Saturday, April 15, Easter weekend. All children are welcome.
- Sharon announced that the winner of the school-wide spelling bee is a third-grader, who will be going to Town Hall for the regional spelling bee.
- Some tiles on the readerboard have fallen and need to be re-glued with the better glue. Sharon will take care of it in more appropriate weather.

**KRAUS FUND APPLICATIONS:**

- Nora's Woods requests a new sign to replace the vandalized one, \$500.
- Betsy from Friends of Leschi Overlook explained that although the park is technically in Leschi, Tia Higano, Kraus executor, asked them to apply for the funding because of Mrs. Kraus's love for the park. They have raised funds for four days of work by EarthCorps and request an additional 16 days' work at \$1,250/day for a crew of six to work on the steep slopes of a newly acquired addition to the park, but they would be happy to accept any funding from us.
- Sharon from Madrona School proposed using funds to enhance the connection between the garden area and the park/playground. They would make the garden area a more welcoming community space, but costs for signs, fencing, etc., aren't available yet. They hope to have the information in a few weeks.

Formal meeting adjourned at 8:50

In a Board-only meeting the Council awarded \$500 to Nora's Woods, \$7,500 to Friends of Leschi Overlook, and the remainder (around \$12,000) to Madrona School's Playground Project.

Submitted by Deirdre McCrary, Secretary