

Board of Directors Meeting  
Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019 – 6:30PM  
Edgumbe Recreation Center  
MEETING MINUTES

I. **Call to Order**, *Mike Sonn, President*

II. **Roll Call**, *Joyce Krech, Secretary*

III. **Approval of the May 2019 Minutes**

- Mike Sonn asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. None were offered.
- Cindy Radtke suggested the Board Minutes should record who moves the motion, who seconds the motion along with recording who votes against a motion and who abstains.
- **Motion:** "The Board of Directors of the Macalester-Groveland Community Council approves the May 2019 Board Minutes" moved by Cathy Plessner. Seconded by Colin Fesser. The motion was approved with unanimous consent.

IV. **Additions or Deletions to the Agenda**

- None

V. **Special Elections:** *Grid 2 Residential; At-Large Business, Renter, and Student*

- No one present for these special elections.

VI. **1328 Grand Avenue**, *waiver of 45-day waiting period for liquor license, John Gleason*

- John provided background about his history in the restaurant business.
- He found the location on Grand Avenue that best met his business plan.
- John reviewed his business plan and the proposed floor plan (55 to 60 seats). Focus on Bibimbap and Korean Chicken. Plans to open early July.
- Ratio of food versus alcohol receipts – estimated at 80/20
- No live music
- Confirmed which businesses are located on either side
- Board members expressed support
- Liquor license will not extend to the patio service

**Motion:** "The Board of Directors of the Macalester-Groveland Community Council supports approval of the waiver of the 45-day waiting period for the liquor license for the proposed new restaurant at 1328 Grand Avenue" moved by Dave Pasiuk. Seconded by Cathy Plessner.

The motion was approved with unanimous consent.

VII. **2018 Independent Auditor's Report & 2018 Form 990**

**2018 Form 990** is a standard IRS Form that MGCC must file. It has been updated with current financial information, Board Director Names and description of activities.

The following changes were identified:

- Update legal names for *Cynthia* Radtke and *Catherine* Plessner.

- Add Faith Institution Roundtables to section 4b.
- **Motion:** "The Board of Directors of the Macalester-Groveland Community Council approves the 2018 Form 990 with the changes noted" moved by Brian Martinson. Seconded by Cindy Radtke.

The motion was approved with unanimous consent.

### **Independent Auditor's Report**

- Motion: "The Board of Directors of the Macalester-Groveland Community Council approves the 2018 Independent Auditor's Report" was moved by Brian Martinson. Seconded by Kate Baxter-Kauf.

The motion was approved with unanimous consent.

### VIII. **Future of Grand Avenue Task Force**, *Brian Wagner & Deanna Seppanen*

- Several documents were distributed and Brian reviewed a short overview of what the task force has been doing and where they are going. This included an overview of the "Life Cycle of Grand Avenue"
- Business owners, landlords, residents and visitors are involved in data gathering efforts
- Surveys – focus separately on opinions and experiences
- 10 landlords and 35 business have been interviewed to date, survey collection will continue through June 15
- Experience collections will continue into early July
- Discussion about how do we ensure information is gathered from individuals beyond Nextdoor, Facebook.
- The Board expressed their thanks to Brian and Deanna for their work.
- The Task Force is looking for additional members. Alexa will send meeting dates out to the Board.

### IX. Committee Updates & Recommendations

#### **Transportation recommendation:**

*"Whereas St. Paul elementary school parent-teacher organizations, recognizing a need for speed limit reductions at their children's schools, have passed resolutions requesting that appropriate changes be implemented to improve the safety of children and youth.*

*Whereas it has been recommended that St Paul adopt a "Vision Zero" Pedestrian Safety Program.*

*Whereas a major AAA study shows speed is a significant contributor to:*

	<i>Fatalities</i>	<i>Severe Injuries</i>
<i>30 to 39 MPH speed</i>	<i>35%</i>	<i>40%</i>
<i>20 to 29 MPH speed</i>	<i>16%</i>	<i>25%</i>
<i>10 to 19 MPH speed</i>	<i>2%</i>	<i>11%</i>

*Be it resolved, the Macalester-Groveland Community Council ("MGCC") requests the City begin citywide implementation of lower school zone speed limits with the requisite signage."*

Some discussion about the recommendation, including the committee's decision to recommend that it be a citywide implementation, not just Macalester Groveland.

- **Motion:** “The Board of Directors of the Macalester-Groveland Community Council approves the Transportation Recommendation as written” was moved by Nathan Zacharias. Seconded by Tom Dietsche.

The motion was approved with unanimous consent.

#### X. **Inclusivity Task Force Update**

Reviewed the Goals and Action Steps set in July 2018.

- **Alternative methods of participation to the traditional meeting model.** Would like to test broadcasting our board meetings, in a manner that would not require any changes to our bylaws. Discussion about the need to notify all participants the meeting is being broadcast, including guests.
- **Explore collection of data.** The task forces feels good about the improvements made on this action step.
- **Demographic survey.** Board and committee members will be asked to complete the demographic survey before our July retreat.

#### XI. **Upcoming Events and Reminders**

- 2150 Grand Avenue variance was approved by the BZA. It has been appealed to the City Council. The two decisions made by HLU will stand as the MGCC positions.
- Board Retreat – July 11<sup>th</sup>, starts at 5:30.
- Mac-Grove Fest – September 7<sup>th</sup>, need volunteers. All Board Members are expected to volunteer.
- Cindy provided an update on the Faith Institution activities. August 14<sup>th</sup> will be a discussion of the book “Evicted”.

XII. Adjourned at 8:00

Submitted by Joyce Krech on 6/xx/19