

# FAN Executive Board Meeting

## Monthly Minutes

Monday, DATE

7:00 PM

Washington Park Community Building

**Facilitator:** Josh Newman, Co-Chair; Morgan Greenwood, Co-Chair     **Recorder:** Josh Newman, Co-Chair  
**Board Attendees:** Tim Blood, Nancy Classen, Greg Giesy, Morgan Greenwood, Deb Jones, Kristina Lang, Nancy Ellen Locke, Matt Lutter, Todd Miller, Josh Newman  
**Board Absentees:** Bernie Corrigan, Todd Miller  
**Guests:** Geraldine Sunstrum, Margie James, Pam Wooddell, Ron Bevirt, Janet Bevert

### Minutes

**Agenda item:** PUBLIC COMMENT     **Presenter:** As Noted

**Discussion:**

Geraldine Sunstrum - She is interested in building a "Little Free Art Gallery" as a social art project. This would be a companion to the Little Free Library at Friendly Park. One side would be a curated display. The other side would be like an art exchange. It would be similar in size to the little free library. FAN to provide Geraldine with Carlos' contact for construction.

Ron Bevirt - Disappointed in FAN's decision to oppose SWN and CSEN. Doesn't understand bad vibes being thrown out about SWN. Doesn't understand negative vibes being thrown out about CSEN. Sent email to FAN Board explaining his disappointment. Says the City is not our friend. Feels like Neighbors shouldn't be at each other's throats.

Margie James feels that her voice is being discounted in the FAN SW-SAZ. Choice to live where she lives in the SWSAZ based on the existing character of the neighborhood.

Pam Wooddell concurred with previous speaker. Believes that SWN has been put in a box. A NIMBY box. A Paul Conte box. Many members share similar values with FAN members. Wants to build on shared ideas.

**Agenda item:** MINUTES APPROVAL     **Presenter:** Morgan Greenwood

**Discussion:**

Hard copies of the minutes were brought to the meeting but nobody had a chance before the meeting to read them. June minutes approval was tabled until next executive meeting.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Approval of June minutes postponed until the August FAN Board	FAN Board	8/8/16

**Agenda item:** Vulnerable Populations Working Group Meeting     **Presenter:** Morgan/Deb

**Discussion:**

City committee meeting to support Paul Neville and the Redevelopment of cascade church site as a shelter for homeless students, children between 16 and 18 years old. St Vincent De Paul has a tradition of providing training and work for homeless students. People at meeting voted that they liked the idea. One of the tasks was to find temporary shelter for 40 but need to identify site.

Greg – Willard School sitting empty which could make a site. In general the School district should be involved since the effort is about housing homeless students.

Deb – This was the first functional meeting of the group. The goal of 40 people (or sites – but 40 sites is far reaching).

Greg - it means 40 Conestoga huts. RFP (for what and from who?) by August and a fund raising needs to be finished by October. Greg will contact Heather about having a table at the FAN Picnic.

**Conclusions:**

N/A

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Contact Heather about having a table at the FAN Picnic	Greg	Picnic

**Agenda item:** Report on Mayor’s planning mtg for SWSAZ forum      **Presenter:** Morgan

**Discussion:**

Goal was to establish a time, location and date for a public input forum. Councilor Brown and Councilor Taylor seemed not to think it necessary. The Mayor’s approach is to hold a two-hour public testimony session, 3 minutes each. September 19<sup>th</sup>, 7:00.

Greg – Originally was going to be June 20<sup>th</sup>. Then the Mayor decided to hold this small planning meeting to talk about it, and people who were left out got upset. Then people thought they would have a say on whether or not to have a meeting, but they were told, no, there will be a meeting. It created a lot of discord.

Morgan - felt surprised that many people missed the Mayor’s clear direction about the meeting’s purpose. As an aside, Morgan also received an email from (Vic Hariton?) stating that she should be excluded because she is a renter.

**Conclusions:**

N/A

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ None		

**Agenda item:** COMMITTEE REPORTS      **Presenter:** Committee chairs or as noted

**Discussion:**

CSEN (Chair: Greg) Committee notes distributed?

CSEN is working on vulnerable populations. Still waiting to form the CSEN SWSAZ committee hoping to get votes from FAN to appoint three representatives. Finally, CSEN hosted a draft TSP update forum with presentation from Kurt Yeider and audience Q&A. Greg is concerned about so much being cut out of the TSP. Greg commented that there is very little federal dollars for sidewalks. Saddling property owners with the cost isn’t sufficient. This is a problem for the state, not just Eugene. No state funding in Oregon. Any projects that have been held over from the old transplan should be looked at under the new TSP.

Deb question – can anyone summarize what is planned in the TSP for South Eugene?

Greg – the biggest thing is the bus route that would link River Road area with LCC line. If it's a BRT, we will lose parking and we will probably get a new street at 20<sup>th</sup> between Oak and Amazon Parkway. Would lose parking from 20<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> on Oak street.

Nancy – When the Civic Stadium deal went through, the City bought the street property so now owns ROW there.

TRANSPORTATION (Chair: Todd)

Committee notes distributed?

Nancy Ellen and Greg still hammering away on the sidewalk grinding project. Greg a little behind in returning calls (approximately 20 new people interested). Greg has been under the weather recently. Contractor wants to identify the spots that needs work and estimating how much work is necessary. Greg had been doing that part historically. Greg will need to verify contractors estimates anyway. Contractor has been paid for the first few grinding activities. If you are looking to hang door hangers, email Greg and he will give you an assignment.

PUBLIC SAFETY (Chair: Carlos)

Committee notes distributed?

No report

SUSTAINABILITY (Chair: Matt)

Committee notes distributed?

No report

OUTREACH (Chair: Deb)

Committee notes distributed?

Morgan and Deb may have a table at movie night (Friday the 15<sup>th</sup>) with picnic cards, door hangers, and posters for the picnic.

Picnic flip charts. Questions:

- Where do you live (dot on map)
- How did you hear about picnic
- What do you like about FAN
- What would you change about FAN
- South Willamette stripping

Social Media Intern – UO

- Finishing website
- Increase social media presence

Need to include specifics about picnic on website

Consider paying someone to transition the website. The UO intern could maintain

Tim stresses the importance that Todd stay involved so we have continuity

**Conclusions:**

NA

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Return calls for sidewalk grinding inquiries	Greg	NA

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**Agenda item:** Picnic Planning

**Presenter:** Deb/Morgan

**Discussion:**

- Some discussion regarding poster distribution. Common Grounds Garden, Toolbox Project site, Farmers market, etc. Tim volunteered to take poste to Toolbox Project. Various board members will distribute picnic “business” cards when opportunity arises.

- Kristina – Here’s an idea. Mobile tee shirt screening for \$150. Group agrees. Deb/Morgan to contact person with the tee-screening setup (Kristina provides contact info)
- Need someone to come in a day before to put up caution tape to reserve...
- Josh will furnish caution tape, Lisa will wrap tape the length of the tabling area on Saturday 7/30.

**Conclusions:**

NA

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Poster distribution	Several board members	NA
✓ Mobile tee shirt rig	Kristina/Deb	<7/30
✓ Rope of area southeast of cottage	Josh/Lisa	7/30

**Agenda item:** FAN/ENI Collaboration on behalf of CGG

**Presenter:**

**Discussion:**

Josh – Last emails, several weeks ago, proposed that FAN endorse and/or allowed ENI to pass funds for Common Ground Garden through FAN account.

Matt - Apparently that’s not on the table now. ENI can act on behalf of CGG without FAN involvement.

**Conclusions:**

ENI will be the 501c3 for Common Ground Garden to receive the church donation. No need for ENI to use FAN account.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ None		

**Agenda item:** Cell Phone Towers

**Presenter:** Deb

**Discussion:**

City is taking comments for updating code. NLC is working on strengthening code for cell towers. But a main complaint was that the City was not following their own code. Questions: Do any of the board members interested in being on the NLC working group? Lisa says yes. Should we have Cell towers as a topic for fall general meeting.

**Conclusions:**

NA

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Participate in NLC cell tower code committee	Lisa	As needed

**Agenda item:** Washington Park

**Presenter:** Morgan

**Discussion**

We had testimony at May FAN Board meeting by Vickie and John Mosby along with Sally Smith and Jim Kocher about problems with player conduct, alcohol, and over-use of Washington Park facilities associated with league softball. To recap, while not a problem historically, in recent years, neighbors have seen overuse of the park in general, and specifically excessive use of the south field. (See handout – Correspondence between FAN resident John Mosby, City of Eugene Athletics Program Director Ethan Wing, and Roland Ford of Kidsports.) John Mosby’s contention is that the park, which is designated as a neighborhood park, is in fact being used as a community park. Distinction between a neighborhood park and a community park. A neighborhood park is for the immediate neighborhood (people living within ½-mile), a community park is for the larger community and are required to include, among other things, dedicated parking facilities to accommodate the larger use. The complaint asserts that this is a neighborhood park.

In addition, Morgan was in contact with City of Eugene Operations Manager Scott Milovich on this topic. The City seems to interested in FAN facilitating a conversation between the concerned neighbors (Vicky, et al.) and the City. Scott see this as balancing needs of several stakeholders including Kidsports, the YMCA (Y-camp uses Washington Park), FAN, and the City.

Greg notes that there are underutilized school fields that (Westmoreland, and why should Washington park get all the overflow use.

Lisa – we discussed previously asking these groups (kidsports and the leagues) to pitch in on trash pick up.

**Conclusions:**

More follow up with City of Eugene. Perhaps a topic for the Fall General meeting.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Continue corresponding with City	Morgan?	?
✓ Keep communication open with affected neighbors	?	?

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***Time Adjourned: ~9:00***

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