

# Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors December 5, 2019 at 8 a.m. Museum of American Porcelain Art

# Museum of American Porcelain Art Minutes

#### **Board Members**

Lisa Mack, President
Karen Poelking, Vice-President
Len Calabrese, Treasurer
Moe Romeo, Secretary
Brijin Boddy
Beverly Burks
Carol Fiorelli
Rick Krivanka
Al Paynter
Yvonne Sanderson
Stacy Ward-Braxton

# **Ex-Officio Members**

Jim O'Toole

### **Absent**

Keith Benjamin, Ex-Officio Pat Hyland Vaughn Johnson Ashley King Mikel Mahoney Veronica Walton

#### **Staff**

Johnese Sherron, Director of Programming & Development

#### Also Present

Michael Love, Director of Development Sally Martin, Housing Director Daniel Subwick, Community Development Coordinator

#### Guests

Jonas Zhang, Intern Curtis Orr, Resident & Potential Board Member

The Regular Meeting of the One South Euclid Board of Directors was held on Thursday, December 5, 2019 at the Museum of American Porcelain Art. President Lisa Mack called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m.

Secretary Moe Romeo performed the roll call of board members.

Stacy Ward-Braxton introduced Curtis Orr.

President Mack asked if anyone had any changes or corrections to the minutes from the Regular Meeting on October 2, 2019. Al Paynter motioned to approve. Seconded by Karen Poelking. The board unanimously approved the minutes. (11-0-0)

# **Finance Report**

Len Calabrese, treasurer, gave the breakdown of assets through October 31, 2019. He stated that the financials are in good shape.

The Financial Report ending October 31 2019:

PNC - Checking	:\$	136,346.09
Sts. Margaret & Gregory Fed CU - Savings	\$	80,715.88
Payroll	\$	501.00
PayPal	\$	422.43
Total Current Assets	\$	170.874.95

#### Staff Report

Johnese Sherron reported that she primarily visited different conferences: The Ohio Community Development Conference (Ohio CDC), Business Volunteer United (BVU), Progress Institute and went to Cincinnati to meet with a representative from the College Hill Redevelopment Corporation. The events were good informational opportunities that will be useful in many aspects of her job including fundraising and securing grants.

#### **Executive Committee**

Lisa Mack, Chair, would like to find a better way to quickly communicate with board members and also would like to find a day and time that would be best for the board meeting. She will send out a "doodle poll" so that she receives input from all board members.

Notre Dame College had asked for a letter of support to help the college secure a grant. Karen Poelking explained that the center for cyber security is seeking a student services grant. The grant would help to increase outreach and enrollment. On behalf of the college, she would like the support of OSE to help secure the "SSS (Student Support Services) Grant." The college may also ask for speakers from OSE to address Notre Dame students.

The Committee approved \$500.00 to help cover expenses for the visiting Chinese delegation.

### **Revitalization Committee**

#### Residential

Carol Fiorelli, Chair, reported a profit of almost \$230,000.00.

- 3 lots pending;
- 1 home on Avondale and 1 home on Greenvale transferred;
- Two homes sold.

There are still some properties in the pipeline.

Carol Fiorelli reported that the Neighborhood Grant Subcommittee is in need of two new members. Ashley King's schedule no longer allows her to serve on the committee and Yvonne Sanderson's term ends in 2020. Al Paynter stepped up to fill one of the two vacancies on the committee, however one more board member is needed.

The date for The public meeting for the Neighborhood Grant Program will be held January 16.

#### Commercial

Storefront Renovation program

The following businesses that received grant funds are being worked on:

- MGPIA LLC, G. Lapinsky, 4485-4491 Mayfield Rd; in progress,
- Even DeWitt, 4060-4062 Mayfield. Artist's studio.) in progress
- Buckeye Medical Supply, 1495 Warrensville Center Road; in progress
- Bella Stone, 4418 MayfieldRd, has completed the renovation.

Carol Fiorelli gave more information regarding the grant program and new opportunities.

The Mayfield-Green Action Subcommittee continues its work on implementing a Downtown Redevelopment District, the next step in carrying out the Yard & Co vision for the district. The

Subcommittee needs to create boundaries and Yard & Company recommends including Garden Drive. It will cost \$20,000 to hire Yard & Company and \$20,000 for the Historic Building Application. Ten acres is the parameter for the Downtown Redevelopment District (DRD) and a historic building must be located within that 10 acres. Garfield Memorial Church may qualify but St John's Lutheran Church would not because of major changes over the years to buildings on that site.

# **Community Development & Engagement Committee (CDE)**

Veronica Walton, Chair (No report)

# **Fundraising and Communications Committee**

Brijin Boddy and Karen Poelking, co-chairs. Brigin Boddy has agreed to be the chair but there will be a one-year hold on a major fundraiser event. She happily stated that the total profit from the "Mingle at the Manson" fundraiser event was \$1261.11.

The Brush Drama Club asked for financial support. They had previously applied for assistance to the wrong program, but the request is now before the Fundraising & Communications Committee as part of the Ally Support Program.

Ms. Boddy stated that the committee needs community members to be part of her committee. She wants to move forward by building a strong foundation first by having a good number of volunteers who are willing to work together and moving forward with new ideas.

#### **Governance Committee**

Stacy Ward-Braxton, reported that she is working on policies and procedures. Five Board Member terms are ending and three are eligible to renew. Mikel Mahoney is likely not renewing his term on the board. Beverly Burks and Carol Fiorelli are expected to renew their terms. She needs people to volunteer for all the committees. Recruitment also continues for additional board members. The yearly board involvement survey will be going out again soon.

#### **New Business:**

# **Cuyahoga County Community Development Supplemental Grant (CDSG)**

After explanation by Michael Love, Karen Poelking moved to authorize the Board of One South Euclid to submit an application for the Cuyahoga County Community Development Supplemental Grant in order to provide additional funding for the 2020 Neighborhood Grant Program's Exterior Home Repair Program. Seconded by Carol Fiorelli. Motion was unanimously approved. (11-0-0)

# 2020 Annual Budget for One South Euclid - Executive Committee

Carol Fiorelli moved to approve the 2020 Annual Budget for One South Euclid as recommended by the Executive Committee. Seconded by Yvonne Sanderson. Motion was unanimously approved. (11-0-0)

**\$10,000.00** for Collaborative Home Repair Projects - Community Housing Solutions - 2020 Carol Fiorelli moved to allocate appropriated funds in the 2020 Budget in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 for collaborative home repair projects with Community Housing Solutions to be completed in 2020. Seconded by Brijin Boddy. Motion was unanimously approved. (11-0-0)

Len Calabrese introduced the Chinese delegation visiting South Euclid on behalf of the Wengyuan County Orchid Association of Guangdong Province, China. The factory employs 500 women and it exports orchids to Europe and Asia. The company would like to expand exports to the United States and Canada. The delegation was composed of three women and two men. Intern Jonas Zhang interpreted for the members of the delegation. One South Euclid Board members graciously welcomed the delegation.

# **Upcoming Events:**

- Holiday Gathering December 6, 2019
   1033 Stonecutters Lane
- Regular Board Meeting January 9, 2020
   8 a.m.
   Subject to change
- Neighborhood Grant Program Public Meeting January 16, 2020
   7 p.m.
   South Euclid-Lyndhurst Public Library
- Annual Meeting February 6, 2020
   8 a.m.
   Subject to change

President Lisa Mack adjourned the meeting at 9:14 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Barbara Latini, One South Euclid Administrative Support

(Proofread and approved by Secretary Moe Romeo)