# ARC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

# May 2,2012

The ARC Board meeting was called to order by President, Charlie Zaragoza at 6:30 pm. Board members were Eddy Hiroo, Doug Dunham, Julie Morse, Anna Martin, Belinda Green, Charlie Zaragoza, Judy Tangen, Bruce Bentley, Darrell Drew, Edith Elion, William Lowe and Antoinette Angulo. Al Hovland & Adrienne Bailey were excused. Leon Younger, President of PROS Consulting, was a guest.

ARC staff present was Bill Keller & Christina Arcidy. Seattle Parks was represented by Sue Goodwin.

It was determined that a quorum of Board members was present. The approval of the agenda was offered by Bruce Bentley and seconded by Belinda Green.

The approval of the April minutes was offered by Belinda Green and seconded by Doug Dunham. Minutes were approved for April. Darrel Drew and Edith Elion abstained. (They were not present at the April meeting).

Public Comment: There was no public comment at the May meeting.

Bill introduced Leon Younger, President of PROS Consulting. Leon is a recognized leader in applying innovative approaches to managing parks and recreation organizations. Leon was invited to address the Parks Preservation Working Group at their initial meeting by Christopher Williams. Bill and Christina are representing ARC on this committee. Leon gave the ARC board an overview of his presentation which was very insightful to the ARC BOD.

## **Executive Director's Report:**

Due to the monthly Board meeting being held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> working day of May, financials were not available. We will receive them via email later in the month.

The 2011 Audit was presented to the ARC Board at the April meeting for review by Erika Allen and David Lee of Peterson Sullivan LLP, Certified Public Accountants. Bill asked if there were any questions or concerns about the 2011 audit. There being none, Anna Martin made a motion to accept the 2011 Audit as presented by Peterson Sullivan. Upon approval of the BOD the audit will be passed on to Seattle Parks. Belinda Green seconded. Edith Elion abstained (not present at April meeting). Motion passed.

ARC Employee Health Care Benefit Renewal for June 1" was negotiated and resolved. The renewal from Regence came in at 15.2% increase. The 2012 budget amount was planned at 10%. Sharon and Christina worked and negotiated with Regence for a renewal of Combined Medical/Dental/ Life at 4.5% increase over 2011.

There will be no change in coverage/deductible or co-pay. A BIG thank you to Sharon and Christina for working with Regence and negotiating a cost-saving renewal package for the employees.

Bill and Christina are representing ARC on the Parks Preservation Working Group. This is a new committee formed by the Mayor and City Council with the mission to advise Parks, the Mayor, and the Council on a wide range of options for generating additional revenue and

restructuring the department to gain efficiencies and reduce costs. All meetings are open to the public and will provide a public look at Parks budget situation and future outlook. The Board of Park Commissioners will review the PPWG options report and a presentation will be made to the City Council's Parks and Neighborhoods Committee. Bill will keep the Board advised as to the progress and success of the ongoing meetings.

# **Deputy Director's Report:**

Christina advised the BOD that construction on Belltown Community Center has begun! We are on target for a construction end date of mid-August. The "Y" has pulled out of the operations plan due to a difference in business model. Parks will not allow the "Y" to screen members of the public prior to participation, and the "Y" will not operate without the ability to screen participants. ARC and parks are working together for the next 4 months to put together a program plan response to the requests of the Belltown community. ARC will operate programs without Parks staff in the building.

Kathy Whitman presented the final outcome of the Small Craft Center Statement of Legislative Intent to the City Council on April 5. City Council accepted the recommendation to retain the Small Craft Centers under Parks' management. They will continue to have three (3) Advisory Councils affiliated with the Small Craft Centers and no further changes are anticipated at this time.

ARC is partnering with Parks and Team Read at 10 locations during the summer to pair young readers in first through third grades with teen reading coaches during summer day camp. The locations are Bitter Lake, Delridge, High Point, South Park, Garfield, Jefferson, Rainier, Van Asselt, Yesler and Montlake. This will be a summer pilot for ARC working with Team Read; if it is successful ARC will work on opportunities to expand the partnership for year round efforts at all 22 of our School-Age Care locations.

## **Committee Reports:**

Finance/Budget: No report available at the early May meeting.

Nominating Report: The report will be made at the June meeting.

Outreach Committee Report: No report at this meeting.

New Business: There was no new business at this meeting.

## Next meeting:

The next General Meeting will be held on June 6,2012 at 6:30 pm, 100 Dexter Ave.

There being no further business, Belinda made a motion to adjourn and Bruce seconded. The May board meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Morse ARC Board Secretary