

SLUCC Board Meeting Minutes

December 6, 2011

Morningside Academy
201 Westlake Ave. N
Seattle WA 98109



Board Attendees: Jerry Dinndorf (P), Dawn Oliver (VP), Pearl Leung, Michael Blumson (T), Dan Foltz, Mike McQuaid, Lloyd Douglas (CNC), Lorie Groth (S), Steven Paget, Matt Edwards, Josh Franklin.

Absent: Michael Kenney, John Savo, Matt Edwards

Other Attendees: Robbie Phillips (Fred Hutchinson Center), Tim McBride (Alexandria), Don Bennett (Seattle Unity Church), Jim Holmes (DPD), Meyer & Kerry (UW).

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Mike McQuaid
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Steven Paget
OAC Services

John Savo
NBBJ Architects

Quorum Present: Yes

1. **Call to Order:** The December board meeting of the South Lake Union Community Council was called to order at 4:07 p.m. by Jerry Dinndorf.

2. Citizen Comments/Communications

- Welcome

3. Presidents Report

- Approve November 2011 meeting minutes (postponed to Jan)
- Activities
 1. Mobility Plan Letter
 2. Mercer West Funding Letter

4. Admin/Committee Reports

- Vice Chair, Dawn Oliver
- Treasurer's Report, Michael Blumson - \$805.77 in the budget.
- Policy and Planning Committee – Dan Foltz and John Savo, Co-Chairs
 - SLU Final EIS – Jim Holmes – will likely be coming out in early January and DPD will be releasing several white papers to help explain EIS concepts. Goal is also to send legislation to Council in March. Jim mentioned that a new law has been passed that may allow SLU to benefit from Tax Increment Financing which would allow more money to be provided directly into the neighborhood. However SLU must be designated a receiving site for TDR.
 - Troy Laundry project – Dan discussed that Touchstone presented to the PPC and all the designs assumed 160' height. At least the 2 facades of the David Smith building must be retained and Touchstone will need to update their designs appropriately. John noted that they urged Touchstone to step back from the historic facades and also that they had very large floor plates. Hopefully, the Design Review Board (DRB) will address or if they come in under the new zoning for SLU it will be addressed there. Touchstone will be coming back to the DRB on January 4th.

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- Quality Growth Slide Show Status – no material progress yet.
- NBBJ Design Charente – There is an annual principals meeting for NBBJ from the offices around the world, this year will be SLU as their conceptual exercise. Once complete, John will share and the SLUCC can decide if we put it on the website.
- UW Design Studio – will be doing a project on creation of a SLU Community Center in Denny Park.
- John Savo announced that he is resigning as co-chair of the PPC committee, but will continue on the PPC and board for now as he has taken on the Chair position for the SLU Chamber.
- Transportation Committee- Steven Paget
 - Mercer West Full Funding Status – Robbie briefed everyone that there is a large funding gap (\$8-13m) to develop Mercer West. Jerry asked the board if a letter to the state, city and port asking them to work out the funding gap might be helpful in moving this forward. Mike suggested that we push the city to get accurate figures. Pearl noted that the mistrust from the Port & State is likely based on the fluid numbers provided by the city. Lloyd brought up that we don't really know enough to send a letter, which was agreed by Steven.
 - Transit Master Plan Open Houses – No one attended, but Josh looked at the materials online which appear to be primarily a review of master corridors (Denny, Dexter, Mercer & Fairview in SLU) and to have the city provide infrastructure improvements on those corridors. Josh offered to develop a draft letter for the King County Rapid Ride and Sound Transit.
 - North Portal Working Group – See Letter sent w/agenda, per Jerry the Transportation committee needs to appoint a representative for the North Portal Working Group since Bob Grossman is unable to continue.
- Communications Committee – Pearl Leung
 - Drop Box – Pearl announced that we now have a place to store documents and edit. Will be sending an invitation to the Drop Box.

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5. New Business

- 5 Questions for Charting Change – Board Response (questions sent out by Dawn after last meeting). Mike pointed out that we need to define if we plan to do fundraising and if so, these questions will be extremely valid. Michael discussed that we need to think about re-orienting the community council for the future mission, thus we need to consider doing visioning now to put us on the an intentional track. John also agreed that we need to nail a strategic plan now. Dawn, Michael, Mike & Lorie agreed to help out on the committee to develop the seeding strategy

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committee and framework for managing fundraising tactics to develop our programming objectives.

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- **Retreat Action Agenda – Committee Chairs**
 - Report priorities and lead assignments

7. Discussion Items

8. City Reports

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