

Caucus Committee General Meeting Minutes



October 19, 2021 7:00 – 9:40pm

Grotto Room, Gorton Center

Open Call Meeting

- Meeting with the public to discuss volunteer opportunities with the Caucus and the City occurred from 7-8pm CST.
- Attendees met by Ward with their Caucus Committee Ward representatives.
- Volunteer information was obtained for the VPS (Volunteer Profile Sheet).

Caucus Committee Meeting called to order: 8:17pm Kim Pfahl, President. A quorum was in attendance.

President's Report – Kim Pfahl

Kim Pfahl gave the President's Report, covering the following topics:

- Kim gave a general update on the open call ward meetings which took place at Gorton Center from 7-8pm. Open business topics included:
 - Open Call Reflections - There was good turnout from all Wards. Discussed the importance that we are a big tent, the more volunteers that come forward the better for the Caucus, and the City.
 - Interview Priorities
 - Need to firm up Parks and Rec and Legal Board interviews. Aiming for 10/26/21.
 - Ward 1 Alderman interviews targeted for 11/2/21.
 - New Caucus Committee members for ballot. Candidates should be selected and locked down by the end of January 2022 to produce/print brochures and allow 2 weeks for mailing.
 - Petition Process - reviewed timeline and needs by the County for petitions supporting our Aldermanic candidates.
- Kim started the deliberation process to address each of the open motions brought to the Caucus by Pete Jansons, Ward 1 Caucus Committee member.
 - During the last meeting of the 2020/2021 Caucus Committee on 4/20/22, Pete Janson raised four items to be reviewed by the new Caucus Committee of 2021/2022.
 - Restatement of the process for reviewing and addressing motions and explanation of the voting process before deliberation occurred. First baseline all Committee Members on issues, then vote as a committee Y/N to pursue further evaluation. Any motions that advance, create a taskforce to identify potential solutions with the Caucus Committee voting on the best option. Then implementation occurs. All efforts to be completed by the end of January allowing for at least 30 days before Spring meeting if any actions required Bi-law changes.
 - Pete Janson, Ward 1 - addressed his position on each motion (which he has documented). The Caucus Committee deliberated on each motion.

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- A blind vote was taken by the Caucus Committee. Majority decision by the Caucus Committee not to advance any motion to the taskforce process.

Don Adams, External Communications Chair Update

- Don reminded Committee Members to like and share postings on the Caucus' Facebook page, explaining the algorithm which increases viewership.
- Word of mouth is the best advertising
- We have increased subscribers through email communications ~ 2500 active subscribers.

Stephanie Cook, Fundraising Chair Update

- Stephanie invited all to a Zoom fundraising meeting on Monday, 10/25/21 at 6pm.
- To date, four people including 3 from the Executive Committee have signed up.
- Proposed date for the fundraiser is Friday 2/4/22. Venue and event style to be determined.

Meeting Adjourned

- There being no further business, Kim Pfahl made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Don Adams seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 9:40pm.
- We didn't approve the minutes from the 9/28/21 meeting. They will be approved at the 10/26/21 meeting.

Minutes submitted by: Cynthia McCullough, Secretary