



**LSNA Board Meeting
Via Zoom
February 9, 2021**

Present: Dennis Boylan, Colleen Walsh, Karen Belding, Bill Armstead, Lynn Armstead, Susan Berrigan, David Cardy, Michael Eckstein, Alan Feldman, Jim Fennell, Jovida Hill, Michael Hoffberg, Tom Hogan, Frank Janitor, Sheryl Johnson, Sean Kardon, Rich Leimbach, Hessam Mirsaedi, Drew Murray, Fran Pollack, Louise Quattrone, Jim Ruddick, Diane Sales, David Searles, Bob Sutton, Paul Stavrakos, Robert Strunk, Pat Toy, Michael Volpe, Nancy Weinberg, Alan and Tara Williams , Earl Wolf, Linda Wong.

Not Present: Floss Barber, Wendy Blume, Mandi Bucceroni, Joan Decker, Ed Dougherty, Sandie Farrell, John Kroll, Sven Shroeter.

Zoom meeting called to order by President Dennis Boylan at 7 pm. Quorum report.

Motion to approve minutes from the December 2020 and January 2021 meetings with one correction to attendance for January 2021. Motion to approve, so moved, approved.

Announcements:
Review of zoom etiquette.

Membership renewals are in full swing; please contact Pat Toy.
President's day is February 15: trash pick up will be delayed by one day.
Please support our local restaurants and businesses.
Project Home Outreach. Please store 215-232-1984 in your phone.
City of Philadelphia Survey for Budget Priorities and Preferences: please fill out this survey that you will receive via email or on our website.
Please support our local Parkway Institutions.
We are hearing that Von Coln field should re open this spring for baseball with the Fairmount Sports Association.
Next month marks the one year anniversary of the pandemic; we did not hold a meeting in March of 2020; our first zoom meeting was April 2020.

PMA Update, presentation by Gail Harrity, President of the Philadelphia Museum of Art. Gail talked about the museum's activities over the last year. The museum faced a number of challenges this year with the covid epidemic and the encampment. The Rodin museum remains closed; the main building at PMA is now open. Safety measures are in place. The museum continues to build its art collection. She showed us some beautiful works of art by BIPOC artists through the years. PMA continues to try to address issues of systemic racism in all of their institutions. In 2000 the museum started an African American Art Collection committee. There are two upcoming exhibitions (Senga Nangudi and Emma Amos). There will also be a Jasper Johns exhibition opening this fall. PMA relies on gifts of works of art from collectors. PMA has an enormous positive economic impact on the city and state, attracting visitors from all of the world. The museum collaborates with the city hosting many important events. Gail shared many accomplishments during her tenure. Frank Gehry has been hired to help renovate and expand the building and improve visitor experience. He is going to help address critical infrastructure needs. They have reopened the vaulted walkway (south entrance). Now working on the west entrance to make it ADA accessible. The old auditorium is being replaced with the Forum. They have expanded the American and Contemporary Art Galleries. Future phases include a new auditorium and new loft spaces. There is not yet a date for the reopening of the Rodin. Gail responded to questions from the attendees via chat. She will be stepping down as president of the museum this spring.

Reinventing MLK drive, presentation by Randy LoBasso of the Bicycle Coalition of Greater Philadelphia. The drive has been closed to motor vehicles throughout the pandemic to allow for recreation and social

distancing. Survey data is very positive. It has gone from a high injury road to a very safe road. Today about 5000 people per weekday use the trail, as opposed to about 500 per day pre-pandemic. Most of these are new trail users. The Bicycle Coalition is proposing two recommendations for MLK:

1. Permanently turn MLK into an open street, with no motor vehicles.
2. Turn MLK into a separated busway with a physically split road; half dedicated to non-vehicular traffic.

To follow up , contact Randy via email: randy@bicyclecoalition.org

Consent Agenda (see attached).

Zoning Report: Rich Leimbach reported that January was slow. A non opposition letter was provided for the doggie daycare with the provisos we had discussed in last month's meeting. Next month we will have an application for 2 properties on the 2100 block of Cherry Street.

President's Report:

OTIS and Streets Department meeting: President Boylan is still pushing for a stop sign and curb cut at 19th and Hamilton. Speed cushions may be proposed for 23rd street. The traffic study of the 19th and 20th street corridors continues.

There are public safety concerns in the neighborhood.

Graffiti 101: In center city boundaries, contact Philly 311. You can use the app and send a picture. CLIP handles cleaning the graffiti. The secondary resource is Center City District. Email cassie@centercityphila.org with the photo and location.

The "saucer" restoration at Love Park is nearly complete.

VonColln Memorial Park update. The fencing removal date has not yet been set. Parks and Rec are now saying that fencing will be coming down after remediation of the field.

Giant Food Market update: the store will be opening in March.

Cox Park Memorials for Tully and Jane Speaker and Russell Meddin will be installed this spring; Councilwoman Helen Gym will present her resolution in recognition of their contribution to the neighborhood

Old Business: The streets department decision to change direction of Cherry Street remains in place; nothing has changed to date. This is an ongoing sensitive issue. Dennis continues to address concerns about trucks delivering to Giant.

New Business: There is a new apparatus over the steam vent at Peddler Coffee; Dennis will follow up.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm. Next meeting is March 9, 2021.
We had a total of 114 participants via zoom.

Consent Agenda

February 9, 2021

Treasurer's Report

**Profit & Loss
YTD Comparison**

Cash Basis

January 2021

	Jan 21	Jul '20 - Jan 21
Income		
	Jan 31, 21	
ASSET Current Assets Checking/Savings		

Membership Report FY20-21

4000 · Revenue

4100 · Membership Dues	8 0 0 0	15,608. 00
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4200 · Contributions

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Total 4000 · Revenue	141.00	15,669.00
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Total Income	141.00	15,669.00
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Gross Profit	141.00	15,669.00
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Expense

6000 · Communications Committee		
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6200 · Website	0.00	3 7 8 0 0
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Total 6000 · Communications Committee	0. 00	378.00
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7000 · Health & Safety Committee

7200 · 9th District PDAC Contribution	0.00	1,00 0.00
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Total 7000 · Health & Safety Committee	0. 00	1,000.00
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8000 · Membership Committee		
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8100 · Postage	165.00	1 6
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January 10, 2020 – February 5, 2021
February 9, 2021

1000 · Cash- TD Bank Checking	48,475.90
3000 · Pay Pal Account	315.53
Total Checking/Savings	48,791.43
Total Current Assets	48,791.43
TOTAL ASSETS	48,791.43

FY20-21 Members – 415

Residential – 396 (60 NEW; 319 Renewals; 17 Carry-over)

Commercial – 19 (3 NEW; 13 Renewals; 3 Carry-over)

- 10 Bldg./Condo Assoc. (- NEW; 7 Renewal; 3 Carry-over)
- 9 Businesses/Institutions (3 NEW; 6 Renewals; - Carry-over)

FY19-20 Membership Income – Total \$14,783

Residential – \$11,783

Commercial – \$3,000

- Bldg./Condo Associations - \$1,300
- Businesses or Institutions - \$1,700

Submitted by Pat Toy
Chair, Membership Committee

PREVIOUS FISCAL YEARS

FY19-20 Membership Final Report

Total Members – 390 (Residential – 370; Commercial – 20 (12 Bldg./Condo + 8 Bus/Inst.))

Total Income – \$12,935 (Residential – \$9,885; Bldg./Condo Assoc. - \$1,950 + Bus/Inst - \$1,100)

FY18-19 Membership Final Report

Total Members – 392 (Residential – 370; Commercial – 22 (10 Bldg./Condo + 12 Bus/Inst.))

Total Income – \$14,375 (Residential – \$10,825; Bldg./Condo Assoc. - \$1,600 + Bus/Inst - \$1,950)

FY17-18 Membership Final Report

Total Members – 383 (Residential – 360; Commercial – 27)

Total Income – \$14,280 (Residential – \$10,080; Bldg./Condo Assoc. - \$1,650; Bus/Inst - \$2,550)

FY16-17 Membership Final Report

Total Members – 372 (Residential – 341; Commercial – 31)

Total Income – \$15,520 (Residential – \$9,835; Bldg./Condo Assoc. - \$2,500; Bus/Inst - \$3,185)

FY15-16 Membership Final Report

Total Members – 336 (Residential – 310; Commercial – 26)
Total Income – \$13,505 (Households/Individuals – \$9,555; Bldg./Condo Assoc - \$2,750; Bus/Inst - \$1,200)

FY14-15 Membership Final Report

Total Members – 309 (Residential – 278/Commercial – 31)
Total Income – \$16,365 (Households/Individuals - \$9,445; Residential Buildings - \$3,700; Commercial Members - \$3,220)

Health & Safety Subcommittee Report

1. Ofc Kiefer provided a crime update for our neighborhood. Shooting at City Hall subway station, on Sunday Jan 17, arrest made. Burglary 200 block of [N. 16th St - Arrest](#) made a scene. Theft from Autos on increase. Especially Catalytic Converters. If you see someone working on a car on the street, please call [911](#). Thefts from blue USPS Boxes on increase. Postal Police investigating.
2. An LSNA neighbor spoke to our committee about her being assaulted on Sat Jan 16 at 21st & Arch Streets while walking her dog. Ofc Kiefer listened to her recollection of the events and offered to call her after the meeting. Ofc Kiefer believes he knows the perp.
3. CCRA and crosstown coalition Meeting on Feb 1 will ask for additional manpower for the Ninth District
4. Increase in Graffiti in the neighborhood. CLIP info as follows:or call [311](#).
Website: <https://www.phila.gov/services/streets-sidewalks-alleys/report-graffiti/>

ZONING COMMITTEE REPORT

30 N. 23rd Street- Part of the Riverwalk project, Doggie VIP is proposing a ‘Doggie Day Care’ located in the South Tower of Riverwalk. The proposal for ‘Animal Services’, is a permitted use, but ‘Boarding and Other Services’ requires a variance. The Applicant has already presented at a near neighbor meeting and will make an official RCO presentation at the January 12, 2021 Board Meeting. The ZBA hearing is scheduled for April 21, 2021. The Board agreed to “Not-Oppose” the Boarding and other Services variance with the proviso that it be limited to Boarding of cats and dogs and not include Taxidermy, Veterinary, or Crematory Services.

