

Attending Officers: Chris Scott, Bruce Rutledge, Russell Monroe, Gordie McIntyre, Nick Setten, Jonathan Berner, Alex Rasmussen (online) Gina Karaba

Attending members: Davin Stedman
(online) Heather Pihl, Jonny Evergreen, Emily Pike, Karen Berner, Bob Messina

CONSTITUENCY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, March 28, 2024, 6:15 p.m.

Agenda:

6:32 p.m. Call to order

6:32 p.m. Approval of agenda
Acclamation

6:25 p.m. Approval of minutes: February 29, 2024
[Minutes | constituency \(pikeplacemarketconstituency.org\)](https://www.pikeplacemarketconstituency.org)
Acclamation

6:34 p.m. Public comment
None

6:34 p.m. PDA Master Plan update
Nick, PDA voted to adopt the master plan. Now the hard work begins. Plan is not perfect (Gina: It's a framework). Nick talks about the "mayor of the Market" and his plans in the 90s for the Market.

Russell, it is going to be a collaborative process. Will take a lot more heavy lifting. Gives us something to focus on. Gives us the chance to bridge gap between community and PDA. Need more connective tissue between PDA and Constituency.

Alex says PDA is interested in Listening Committee data, could help strengthen the bond between us and PDA.

Nick, mentioned that Jan said she and Paul went to the senior center. We will have opportunity to talk with the PDA in more ways.

Gordie, at least we have a plan, but I think it's garbage, which is why I abstained.

Chris asks if it is garbage on all levels.

Gordie, no but there was something I disagreed with on every page.

Gina, Doesn't think POS plan will happen. Would have to be a tech giant to work in Market.

6:50 p.m. Old business
Listening Committee

Jonathan, we started, we are listening. Alex did some test interviews with crafters.

Alex says he talked with a couple of crafters. Interviews took 5-10 minutes. Open ended to give people a chance to talk. Talked about safety of downtown. Interested to see what patterns emerge.

Gordie asked how many crafters use agents.

Alex says they are focused on crafters now but will do agents later.

Russell expresses excitement to see what comes out of the listening committee. Understands how busy crafters are and how we may need to go a little bit further than halfway to get the information. He wants to be kept in the loop.

Jonathan says if it works, he'd love to go to the council and present it.

Russell says it would have to start at the program level.

Jonathan says it's about making the Constituency active and engaging.

Gordie, now that David Dickinson is gone, how is it going.

Alex says his feedback is that people like the new market masters.

Jonathan says that answer will vary. David did a good job because everyone was a little pissed off. Ilana is continuing in that tradition.

Nick, opportunity to revisit interviews so it isn't just a one-off – vary for seasons, etc.

Jonathan says it could be an annual thing. But that's a lot. 200 individual crafters, for example. But could shuffle and vary so we get different snapshots.

Bob M asks about the daystall rules and how involved they are every year.

Chris explains folders he is preparing with relevant docs (Charter, bylaws, Hildt-Licata etc.)

Heather, extend listening committee beyond PDA buildings?

Jonathan, we've talked about it. But we need more recruits.

7:12 p.m. New business

Chris to contact Seattle Chamber of Commerce and Office of Economic Development to discuss possibility of a Merchants Association.

Jonathan announces he's approved for a store in Down Under (5th floor).

Chris says we should discuss at the April GA reviving the Roundtable.

Nick says PDA proposed a plan to MHC about Pike Place and expanded seasonal seating.

Heather says there are 8 seating areas. But renewals with SDOT are automatic. The ones out there with the exception of Market Grill were all approved by staff. City requires two large planters, which are not easy to move. She asks that this be discussed at the next GA.

Next agenda, include discussion of this

April, ask for volunteers, list open candidacies.

Chris would like list of staff members, brick and mortar owners (especially new ones since pandemic), officers

Outreach coordinator/chair? Put on agenda for GA

Cafe street. Nick, get Zack Cook in front of us? He brought it to MHC.

Jonathan offers to ask him.

Nick recommends going through Mary first. He'll ask her.

Roundtable

Bylaws

Discussion of Elections

8:10 p.m. Public comment

No

8:10 p.m. Adjourn meeting