Pike Place Market Executive Committee Meeting 4/30/20

Board members present: Nick Setten, Russell Monroe, David Ghouddousi, Mark Brady, Ali Mowry, Joan Paulson, Gordie McEntyre, Shari Curiel

Other members present: Laurie J., Colleen Bowman, Patricia Graves

Board members absent: Jerry Barroh, Betty Halfon, David Ott

Nick calls the meeting to order at 6:02pm.

Nick calls for approval of the General Assembly 4/14/20 minutes. Russell is still working on them and will submit this weekend.

Agenda

1. PDA representatives’ letters to PDA ie: Bridge confirmation to PDA Council
2. Membership updates
3. PDA Council reports
4. Miscellaneous topics
5. Setting agenda for General Assembly Meeting 5/19/20

Agenda Item #1: Letters to PDA ie: Bridge
David says that he had just submitted his letter. Mark is still working on his. Betty and Ali are absent at this time.

Agenda Item #2: Membership updates
Shari asks about the point of charging a dollar per year of membership. Joan says that it’s to prevent ballot box stuffing because the PDA Council Representatives are elevated positions. David says that it’s in the charter which we have always followed. Russell and Laurie explain that we are not requiring the payment due to the current COVID situation. If we are to have in-person elections, then a member who is not current on dues will be required to become current in order to cast their ballot during elections week.

Joan recommends making sure that all the membership forms are organized and documented. Gordie says that they are.

David asks about the possibility of having someone man a card table or if we could keep a drop box in a shop if the operator was willing to agree to that. Russell details the zoom meeting he had with Mary, Nick, Laurie and Jerry about that topic. Members have several options to sign up.
1. Members can print, fill out and mail the membership form that they received either via email or regular mail to the PDA office care of Mary Bacarella OR the Constituency mailbox.
2. Members can reply directly to the email with their relevant membership information and a card will be filled out for them.
3. Members can submit their forms directly to any of the Constituency board members.

Nick proposes asking Don & Joe’s if they would be willing to have the drop box in their shop, which he will do.

Gordie has been collecting membership cards in person and submitting photos of them to Laurie. He is also checking the Constituency mailbox regularly.

**Agenda Item #3: PDA Council reports**

Discussion about Mother’s Day. Not much is known about what this typically busy Market day will look like. David reports that Mary said that there will be four flower vendors. Nick emailed Mary asking for the names/location of the vendors so that it can be included in the newsletter. Mark will also reach out to David Dickinson about the status of the flower vendors for Mother’s Day.

The Power of Pike Place Campaign: Colleen reports that it’s a $3.5 million campaign for COVID response in the Market. At this point it is not known how the money will be allocated but Lillian Sherman (Pike Place Market Foundation) and Mary are working on what that will look like.

**Agenda Item #3: Miscellaneous topics**

Laurie brings up the Paycheck Protection Program and how it can help Market businesses with some mention of it in the newsletter. Various comments are made and the consensus is that most businesses in the Market haven’t received funds, which often run out immediately. Further discussion around federal COVID assistance programs.

Nick will invite Pike Place Market Foundation officers to report on Power of Pike Place Foundation. Joan will invite Seattle City Councilmember Andrew Lewis to also attend next month’s General Assembly meeting. Gordie reports that he recently voted against protecting the Showbox and Han Building.

**Agenda Item #4: Setting Agenda for General Assembly Meeting 5/19/20**

1. Power of Pike Place Campaign update
2. Daffodil Day/Mother’s Day recap
3. Helping Nick with reconstructing the bylaws

New business or public comment: none
Nick adjourns the meeting at 7:23pm.