



Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Date: November 1, 2022 from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Location: Zoom platform

Present: Joseph Jung, Mike Thaler

Absent: Alan Wilk

Staff: Shari Godinez, [Courtney Russell](#) Ramon Hall

Guest: Briana Brown (Councilmember Fife's office), Tim and Marianne Robinson-Buttner Properties

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Discussion</u>	<u>Action</u>
1. Welcome and Establish Quorum	Meeting began 6:04pm Quorum established	
2. Open Discussion/ Announcements	<p>Introduction: Joseph Jung</p> <p>Marianne Robinson-Marianne asked about the mural at 27th and Northgate and wanted to know how KONO was affiliated and if KONO financed the mural.</p> <p>Shari responded that the mural was 100% financed by Kaiser, the property owners. KONO met several times with a team of people at Kaiser, as well as an art organization, 333 Arts, and with the artists.</p> <p>Joseph stated that maybe the inquiry is about wanting to know why Koreatown Northgate appears in the mural. Marianne responded that they were inquiring if any of the business or property owners tax money was used to fund the mural. Marianne asked who chose the artists who completed the mural because they don't particularly like the painting. Shari responded that it was 333 Arts that managed the project and they chose 3 local artists who are well known in the community and respected by taggers to complete the mural. Shari also mentioned that Kaiser had a panel that included a Diversity and Equity team and they reviewed and approved the proposal of the mural as well as worked closely with the artists throughout the process. Joseph stated that the KONO Board didn't really get involved with the design of the mural. Shari stated that she periodically shared the progress of the mural with the Board and the masks in the design are to represent the different cultures in KONO after letting the artists know there are 7 different languages spoken in the KONO district. Shari stated furthermore that each mask</p>	

	<p>represented each culture as well as African American culture. Marianne restated that their concern was having their tax money used to fund the mural. Joseph restated that taxpayers funds were not used to fund the mural.</p> <p>Briana Brown introduced herself as taking over for Justin, working for Councilmember Fife's office and stated she was looking forward to joining the future meetings. Shari asked if Tonya Love still worked for Carroll Fife and Briana responded that she did.</p>	
<p>3. Staff Report: Executive Director Updates- Shari Godinez</p>	<p>Shari- stated that we are sponsoring the Mayoral Candidate forum at the New Parkway theater on Nov. 2nd from 6-8pm and six candidates are confirmed and 50 people from the community have signed up to attend. Shari encouraged everyone to sign up since the capacity of the New Parkway is only 130.</p> <p>Shari stated that she and the staff met with a nonprofit organization called 93Oak from France and wants Oakland to be their sister city and to duplicate Oakland First Fridays in their city Saint Ouen. Shari also stated that they are looking to partner with Oakland Public Schools to have their students study here for 10 months and also work with OakFF's starting in Aug 2023.</p> <p>Shari stated she is working with Ramon to get a violent homeless woman named Danielle Golden out of KONO. Shari stated that she is working to get OPD to enforce the 2 restraining orders that this woman already has for breaking several windows at the businesses in the district. Shari stated that a Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for next Weds at 6pm and all are welcomed to attend. She also mentioned that there is a full agenda of topics to go over and is working on phase 2 of the camera project. Shari also stated that she is trying to get a confirmation of Nov. 17th as the date for the ribbon cutting ceremony for the mural, however she received an auto reply from Jay Murphy from Kaiser that he is still out of town or not available. Shari mentioned that she is working on the utility art box project with Board member Nick Myerhoff in hopes to move that project along. Shari stated that we should have a conversation about a date and location for the December Holiday dinner. Mike asked if KONO is sponsoring the Mayoral Candidate forum and Shari responded that Shakira is organizing it and the New Parkway asked for a small stipend so that they don't lose money that night so KONO is sponsoring that. Mike asked if we could just submit our names for attending the Mayoral forum rather than having to sign up through the website.</p>	

<p>b) Streetplus-Ramon Hall, Operations Supervisor</p>	<p>Joseph mentioned that he signed up with no problem and it would be best to register ahead of time. Shari stated that she was just suggesting to sign up ahead of time to secure a seat just in case since it seems to be filling up fast however he could just walk up.</p> <p>Briana asked in regards to the unhoused person if it is known if she has mental health issues. Shari responded that she does have mental health issues and OPD has taken her to John George Hospital several times and they just let her back out and feels she requires a lot more help as she has even attacked the ambassadors.</p> <p>Joseph asked if Greg would be on the zoom meeting to provide his report. Shari responded that Greg was sick but that the event will be taking place Friday Nov. 4th and that the event will be extended again down to the Moxy hotel.</p> <p>Ramon-stated in regards to the homeless lady, Danielle, he spoke with an officer yesterday and since she did attack an ambassador and him as well that he would be able to get a restraining order against her that covers the area in front of KONO. He also stated that he will be picking up the restraining order paperwork within 9 days to get the process complete. Ramon mentioned that John George Hospital ends up releasing her in about 6 hours after she arrives. Ramon also stated that a resident in the district also pressed charges against her and the police took her to John George Hospital and then she came right back. He stated he will continue to file police reports and do what he can to get her some help and get her removed from the district.</p> <p>Ramon stated that he and the ambassadors continue to keep the district clean, removing all of the leaves, the eye soars and removing the illegal dumping. Ramon stated that they are fully staffed currently and all the equipment is working.</p>	
<p>4) Action Item: Approve Minutes from October 18, 2022</p>	<p>Mike motioned to approve minutes Joseph 2nd the motion to approve No oppositions/no abstentions Minutes approved</p>	<p>Action: Approved Minutes from October 18, 2022</p>

<p>5) Discussion Item: Mayoral Candidates Forum-Nov 2nd</p>	<p>Shari-mentioned that the hosts for the Mayoral Candidate forum will be Shakira Scott, Board member and Leon Sykes, social media interviewer. Shari stated that Shakira sent out 3 main questions, one about the homelessness issue in Oakland, another about the gun buyback program, and the third concerning crime. She stated the questions were sent to all the Mayoral candidates to answer and so far Lauren Taylor will be sending in his answers and will not be present. Shari confirmed we have 2 hours to conduct the forum and after the 3 questions are answered, it will open up for the community to ask questions. Joseph asked Shari if she knew the format and whether the candidates would be able to debate. Shari stated she doesn't believe so and that she believes the 3 questions will be answered and then the audience will have the opportunity to ask questions that will be controlled by Shakira and Leon. Joseph stated he would have liked to see the candidates debate however it is helpful to have this forum since a lot of people vote on the date of the election. Joseph asked if everyone would be attending and stated that he would be there.</p>	
<p>6)Discussion: Update Bridge Bank Signature Card</p>	<p>Shari- stated Sonja Brooks needs to be removed from the signature card since she is no longer on the Board. Shari stated that she didn't know who should be added, however it would be helpful for her to add her assistant Courtney since there are a lot of invoices that need to be paid as well as cutting a lot of OakFF checks.</p> <p>Joseph asked how many signatures are required to write a check. Shari stated since covid she has only used one signature signed on the checks. She also stated that it's one signature up to a certain dollar amount and then 2 signatures are required for larger dollar amounts over \$1k she believes. Joseph stated that there are probably a lot of checks over \$1k so who is the 2nd signer. Shari responded that she used to have Sonja or Mike as the second signers but that he (Joseph) is also a signer. Joseph stated that he believes that whomever steps into Sonja's position should be the signer. Shari responded that it is ok however, can we include Courtney that way she can also assist with cutting and signing the checks. Mike stated that it should be an officer or someone on the Executive Board like Alan Wilk. Shari stated that we can have an officer for larger amounts however adding Courtney would be helpful because we also cut a lot of small checks. Joseph stated that if Shari is unavailable someone else needs to complete the work so she is asking that her assistant completes the work and be able to sign the small checks for practical purposes. Shari stated that this needs to be on the next Board meeting agenda and get it approved in order to take it to</p>	

	the bank to have Courtney added. Joseph agreed to add this topic as an action item to the Board agenda for approval.	
7) Discussion Item: Herc payment demand for Generator	<p>Joseph-stated he is aware of this issue and that the insurance covered up to \$10k for the stolen generator and his suggestion was to pay the difference between the market value and the \$10k, however Herc is requesting the full amount.</p> <p>Shari stated that she sent the offer to pay the difference of the market value and what the insurance covered and Herc Rentals did not respond to the offer. Shari asked if Joseph could reach out to Herc Rentals and Joseph responded that he would step in and send an email to them to start a dialog.</p>	
8)Action Item: Set Board Meeting Agenda a. Open Board seat-Vice President	<p>Joseph-asked when the next Board meeting is.</p> <p>Shari responded that it will be Nov. 15th due to the election being on Nov. 8th. Joseph asked what Shari had on the agenda so far and if we were going to approve the financials Shari responded that yes the financials will be reviewed. Shari stated we also need to put on the agenda, who is going to step up as an officer on the Board. Joseph stated that should be a discussion item as well as the Holiday dinner. Shari responded that Dec. 8th is the proposed date and looking at Skates, Scotts Seafood, Kingston 11 or a new restaurant located in the Kissel Hotel as the location for the dinner.</p> <p>Shari stated that if she gets an update about the ribbon cutting she will also add it to the Board meeting agenda. Joseph stated that would be good and also if we want to have a reception afterwards and where would be a good location. Shari stated that we can't send a save the date to the Mayor or Councilmembers because we don't have a confirmation of the date. Joseph stated that it should be at 2 or 3pm. Shari agreed stating that since daylight savings will be in effect we should have it during the day and not too late. Joseph suggested that we go to Blind Tiger for the reception.</p> <p>Joseph stated that he will see everyone at the Mayoral forum and that it is good that we have 6 out of 8 candidates that will be present.</p>	
9) Meeting Adjourned	<p>Meeting adjourned 6:38pm</p> <p>Next meeting Tuesday December 6, 2022 at 6:00 pm</p>	

Minutes by [Courtney Russell](#) and Edits by [Shari Godinez](#)