

**<NSI BOARD MEETING>**

**MEETING MINUTES**

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Meeting Date: 02/21/2022

Meeting Location: Online via Zoom

Approval: Draft

Recorded By: Madeline Oberman

## 1 ATTENDANCE

Name	Title	Organization	Present
Bobbie Butterly	President	DeBaliviere Place SBD	X
Jim Dwyer	Vice President of Finance	North SBD	X
Yusef Scoggin	Vice President	Southeast SBD	X
Henry Edmonds	Board Member	North SBD	X
Gina Heagney	Board Member	Westminster Lake SBD	X
Bill Latz	Board Member	Washington Place SBD	X
Pete Rothschild	Board Member	South SBD	
Ashley Johnson	Board Member	Euclid South CID	X
Brian Phillips	Board Member	WUMC	X
Eric Weber	Board Member	Waterman Lake SBD	
Kate Haher	Board Member	North CID	X
Jim Whyte	Executive Director	NSI	X
Sarah Wickenhauser	Deputy Director	NSI	
Madeline Oberman	Neighborhood Advocate	NSI	X
Lyndon Cornell	Camera Project Manager	NSI	X
Alvin Ferguson	Outreach	NSI	
Phillip Cornell	Camera Project Assistant	NSI	

Additional Attendees: Abdul Abdullah, Melissa Brown

## 2 MEETING LOCATION

Due to COVID-19, the meeting took place online through Zoom. If you would like to attend these meetings, please let us know before the third Monday of the month and we will send you a link to the Zoom meeting.

## 3 MEETING START

Meeting Schedule Start: 4:00 pm

Meeting Actual Start: 4:01 pm

## 4 AGENDA

- **Call meeting to order**
  - Bobbie Butterly called the meeting to order at 4:01 pm.
- **Minutes Approved**
  - Motion to approve meeting minutes moved by Kate Haher and seconded by Bobbie Butterly. The motion passed unanimously.

- **Financial Report Approved**
  - Motion to approve financial report moved by Henry Edmonds. Motion seconded by Bobbie Butterly. Motion passed unanimously.
- **Melissa Brown, Introduction and Outreach Discussion**
  - Introduction: Melissa Brown works a few hours per week with Alvin Ferguson for NSI Outreach
  - She and Alvin have been building rapport with both the homeless and homeless outreach agencies in St. Louis
    - Their priority is to keep clients accountable to their assigned agencies, keep agencies accountable for following up with their assigned clients, and treat the unhoused with dignity but not enable them to keep on their current path with money or false promises.
  - We need to discourage people from giving the homeless food and money and tents. It's often done with empathy and good intentions, but it has kept one of our clients sleeping out in the cold on a bus bench and not getting to a warming shelter or housing.
    - A tent is not real shelter during the winter – just up the street we already had one young woman freeze to death in a tent during one of the recent snowstorms. After some investigation, that woman hadn't received proper outreach since 2019 and was surviving on food, money, and tent donations from the community.
  - Ashley requested Outreach reports be given at SBD monthly meetings, not just the NSI monthly meetings.
  - Yusef requested we include mapped dots of where outreach interactions have taken place.
  - Jim Dwyer requested we start creating and sending out weekly outreach updates/reports to the board.
- **Executive Director Report**
  - 2021 Patrol Budgets
    - We are watching to see if the rate increase impacted each SBD supplemental patrol budget.
  - Ron Johnson
    - Jim spoke with Ron Johnson about crime issues in the region. Major issues include:
      - A backlog in criminal cases at the Circuit Attorney's Office (CAO) and the local Courts, due to: COVID-19, Lack of CAO staff, police submission of cases
      - SLMPD exclusion list, which is extremely long and estimates show it contains over 100 officers
    - Jim asked for help from Ron developing a way for officers to be removed from the exclusionary list. Additionally, although exclusionary lists are common, this number is abnormally high and our Circuit Attorney has not publicized the criteria for being put on the list.
- **Guest Comments**
  - None
- **Other**

- Westminster/Lake has elected a new trustee and are working on getting a second. Once that person is found, Gina Heagney is retiring from the board and therefore the NSI board as well.

## 5 MEETING END – 4:36 PM

## 6 POST MEETING ACTION ITEMS

Action	Assigned To	Deadline

## 7 DECISIONS MADE

- Meeting Minutes were approved.
- Financial Report was approved.

## 8 NEXT MEETING

Next Meeting: [March 21, 2022 < Online via Zoom > < > < >](#)