

Executive Committee Minutes
January 5, 2011

In Attendance: David Ginople, Joe Hall, Wayne Janik, Sam Marts, Laura Weathered, Adam Burck (WPBCC ED), Jessica Wobbekind (WPB PM)

- 1) Discussion about a possible Promote Committee restructuring.
 - a) Was granting always in the Promote Committee?
 - Granting in SSA's is unique to SSA #33, grants are divided into 4 types of programming: kids, Arts, business, fests.
 - AB states that there is a value to a consistent set of people reviewing the grants, if an application is good it should answer all the questions. He proposes a quarterly meeting with both the Chamber and the SSA marketing committees for promotion
 - should there be a grants only committee? How can we change the policy now when 2012 has started already.
 - there is agreement that we need to build the Promote WPB committee and also create a joint committee.
 - the committees should be tasked with creating their Mission Statements by March.
- 2) Discussion of Conflict of Interest Policy
 - a) There was a review of the City's Executive Order defining "lobbyist"
 - b) The wording of the policy sounds like grant applicants can not have a chance to explain their applications
 - c) Are policies law or guideline?
 - ➔ This issue is not resolved but we need to start thinking about it. For consideration: should item b and ii under procedures be taken out?
- 3) There was discussion of the policy on voting members on Committees- should there be only 5 voting members or no less than? Are Chairs able to vote?
- 4) Format and location of Commission Meeting- the library is no longer an option due to cut hours, everyone is in favor of using the Wicker Park Field House instead.
 - **Motion:** To approve funding from Line 11.10 in the amount of \$1650 for the cost of reserving the room at the Wicker Park Field House for Commission Meetings.
- 5) Update on Commissioner prospects- any suggestions?
 - a) There are a few people who have expressed interest, AB and DG will be following up.
 - b) We should contact the Aldermen for any recommendations they might have
- 6) New Business:
 - a) LW- to proceed with the removal of the Rush Hour parking ban on North Ave, we need signatures.
 - ➔ The Chamber and the SSA should write a letter to pass around to the businesses.
 - b) JH- there should be a rewording of the SSA description to include mention of the Commissioners who are volunteer; there will be a request for funding to other committees from the Transportation Committee for Open Streets.