

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

April Meeting

4/25/17 6:00 PM

Present: Linda Garwol, David Mack, Garry Codick, Darren Cotton, Mickey Vertino, Mady Hughes, Dylan Steed, Tess Morrissey, Dan Kelly, Paul Neubecker, Linda Young, Annmarie Ranger, Jonathon Welch

- Garbage Can update- Mickey
 - Took Can to welder, rebuild with plastic liner so no salt corrosion
- Main street clean up (9:30am-12:30pm May 6)
 - 25-30 students
 - Splitting mulch costs with UHC
 - Mulching Tyler/Winspear Community Garden
 - UHBA sponsoring pizza/refreshments
- Treasurer Transition
 - Need to identify and change signatory at Key Bank
 - Recognize Talking Leaves for commitment to neighborhood, potentially combined with UHC
 - Dave Mack is new treasurer
 - Annmarie Ranger and David Mack will be new account signators
- Polling UB Students for potential businesses on Main
 - Done at community day, mostly undergraduates (total of 70)
 - Results- Coffee & Breakfast leading, void filled by Grateful Grind
 - Next survey can be attempted at UB community day in September
 - Tess to check for list of off campus students
 - Wine & design fundraiser - TBD
- New Businesses
 - Sandwich Envy-Owner wants to be a member
 - Crepe place opening in May
 - Richie's- waiting on health dept, working on getting beer/wine license
 - Mickey received permission to utilize Catalician Center for equipment/storage/parking in exchange for grounds maintenance
- Cash Mob
 - Darren to link up with Laura from North Tonawanda to see how they organize
 - Parkside- when complete, Newer business- build customer base,
 - Channel two news to return to Parkside when sign complete, chance to promote cash mob
 - Limited to members of UHBA to incentivize membership
- Better on Bailey
 - 11 apps received- funding 8
 - \$110,000 in unreceived funding showing a greater need
 - Another round in 6-7 months, potential for Main
- Infill house update

- Land bank has superb ability at foreclosure auction
- Architect looked at Darren's house- believer in passive homes
- Darren meeting with land bank
- Membership Drive
 - More bodies lately
 - Some business approached, others to be as weather warms
 - Meeting time change potential- 2pm?
 - Previous survey identified evening as best time
 - To ask for best times when canvassing for members
- Goal setting for Summer
 - Christmas in July- to be ready for September
 - Slow roll- check if we can announce
 - Mike Miranda- easing tension around bar/liquor, Oktoberfest- beer garden
 - Doesn't currently exist in Buffalo
 - NFTA Parking lot, rails to trails combo
 - Reach out to local breweries & German restaurants
 - Actually will probably be in September
- UB Bus Schedule- Tess
 - No update until 8/1/17
 - No update on Main St routing
- Capen Garden Walk
 - Call for advertisements on map
 - Darren will make ads