

**September 25, 2023, 5:30pm**

**Present:** Jered, Jon, Carly, Pete, Dan

**Absent:**

**Guests:** Frank G

## Agenda:

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## Topics


### DanceSafe

- Frank met with MG, head of DanceSafe, at Burning Man
- What are things that Firefly could have done differently? What kinds of messaging are generally helpful?
  - Most people have gotten the message about testing
  - People don't get enough message about the dangers of heat/dehydration
  - Med team should have IV fluids available (ed: we think they do already)
- Concern around people over-relying on testing (find no adulteration, conclude no risk)

## Offsite Parking Actions

- Request to collect make/model/color info on vehicles given parking passes in the future
- Stronger messaging around following instructions of parking volunteers
- Possible next steps: emails to wider community looking for help identifying remaining vehicles
- No specific requests from Frank re. actions about specific participants

## Approve Old Minutes

 Public Copy of 2023-08-27 Board Meeting Minutes

## New Board Members / Survey Results

Acceptance vote for new board members:

- Iva Gishin 5/0/0
- Tristan Brown 5/0/0
- Meytal Kotik 5/0/0

Note: will add Carly as acting treasurer with state filings until next elections

Comments on existing board members:

- Term limits: unclear what they would accomplish, and we definitely see value from institutional knowledge
- People who aren't in the community anymore as non-voting members: it's not really defined what "in the community" means, people don't need to live in a place or even attend every Firefly event

## Non-voting Members

- Plan to remove non-voting members who did not respond to emails
- What about non-voting members who never participate?

## 419 Updates

- Meeting with family in early October for next steps
- Would like to have a memorial event in the fall; requires ongoing discussion
- If anyone has records from conversations with Dennis on goals with Nuthatch, this will be helpful

## Event Expansion Working Group

- Dan volunteered (yay!)
- Good opportunity for alignment on who makes decisions when

## Meeting with Kirk / Land-Owner Liaison

### ☰ Landowner Liaison (LOL) Role Description

- Having Kirk review this would be good
- Try to get Kirk meeting on calendar, maybe in a few weeks?
- Try to identify LOL before meeting

## Burn After Meeting

Interest list - [redacted]

- Conference tickets \$145
- Room block price: \$372 (2 nights)
- Flights ~\$263 round-trip nonstop (Fri-Mon)

Proposal:

- Pay for everyone's conference tickets who is an active participant in Firefly organization
- Offer to reimburse rooms and flights for those who request, ask them to choose the cheapest reasonable options and share room if appropriate
- Approved 5/0/0

## UTV Usage

### ☰ Vehicle and Art Car(t) Guidelines

- Need to communicate about personal participant vehicles prior to next event
- General announcement and also specific comms to people who have been bringing personal vehicles to date
- Need to confirm DPW vehicle operation hours with Iva (dawn to dusk? Time-of-day based?)

## Afterburn Report

### ☰ Firefly 2023 After Burn Report

Pete is shepherding this and there is an upcoming meeting to make sure this gets done.

## Charitable Donations

### 📄 2023 Firefly Charitable Donations.docx

Ready to execute, just need to unpack the checkbook. If there are other changes needed, comment now. Otherwise will happen in the next month.

## CPA

Carly meeting again soon to update on next steps and what we need to provide

## Radio License

License expires March 20, 2025. Jon will investigate.

## Other

- FestComm is doing more stuff year-round! This is great, but we need to clarify anything about decision points and communication paths.
  - E.g. decisions by consensus (as per bylaws) or majority vote
  - Setting ticket numbers, price, etc
  - The board should work with FestComm on revising the charter, documenting the decision processes that the Committee follows, etc.
  - Let's bring the new board members in on this next month.
- Continuing interest in a very small Firefly leadership chill-out event; Carly is driving this.

## Action Items

- Incident involving participant driving on Kirk's lawn - follow up?
  - Someone who was tired of waiting and removed the reflectors at gate and drove their truck and trailer past gate and through Kirk's lawn. Bad burner!
  - No further details; just need to include this in reminder next year about bad parking behavior.

## Next Meeting

Sunday, October 22, 5:30p  
(Tentatively in Somerville, MA!)