

SMILE Board Meeting Minutes

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OFFICERS PRESENT: Corinne Stefanick, President; Pat Hainley, Treasurer;
Eric Norberg, Secretary

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Timothy DuBois; Steve Szigethy; Elizabeth Milner;
Bob Burkholder; Joel Leib; Elaine O’Keefe

President Corrine Stefanick called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m., asking the members of the Board and the meeting guests to introduce themselves. She next asked the Board to review the minutes of the March 15 Board Meeting. A clarification was requested in the last paragraph on page one, and a correction on page two. Then Steve Szigethy made a motion that the minutes be approved as amended, and Elaine O’Keefe seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

President Stefanick reminded those present that the annual Board Election is coming up at the SMILE General Meeting in May, on the 3rd; and four of eight two-year at-large seats are up for election (and at least one of the incumbents is not running again), and all four one-year officer positions are also up for election (and President Stefanick is term-limited, and must relinquish the Presidency).

Tim DuBois, who is heading the SMILE Election Nominations Committee, arose to give a report: Five at-large candidates have been identified – and Joel Leib has agreed to stand for President, and will yield his at-large seat to do so. Tim will prepare ballots for the May 3 meeting; a Southeast Uplift representative will oversee the election. Candidates may still be suggested to the committee, or can be nominated from the floor at the May 3 meeting prior to the election.

Tim then turned to the matter of the Oaks Pioneer Church website, which he had previously volunteered to update. Using his computer, the SMILE Station screen, and the Association of Home Business’ projector, he connected to the Internet and first showed our current static website, and then the new design he has been working on, which includes a contact form and “church booked” calendar. He has also tied the site to a “gmail” account for the church, as well as to a “square” account for online payments and invoicing.

He demonstrated all these features, and praised Lori Fyre, Church and SMILE Station Manager, for her heroic efforts to master all these new elements of technology and procedure. An extensive discussion with Board members followed. DuBois suggested some

form of online advertising to direct traffic to the new website – two important sites to link to, he said, are “Wedding Wire” and “The Knot”.

Steve Szigethy made a motion, seconded by Pat Hainley, that the new site be put online without delay (with the option of switching back to the old one if necessary while addressing any issues discovered with the new one), “to see how it goes”. In the subsequent vote, there were eight “yes” votes and one abstention. The motion carried.

Next to speak was Joel Leib, who continued his discussion from the last Board Meeting about a paver path he proposes be constructed from the sidewalk at S.E. 13th across the SMILE Station front lawn to a point near the Sellwood Bridge Railing installation at the flagpole, and then around to the SMILE Station door. He refined and clarified his proposal of last month, including the costs involved – the plan includes a fundraising component for SMILE, by selling sponsorships to be engraved on the pavers. These acknowledgements can be engraved on the path pavers anytime after their installation, thus not precluding installing the walkway very soon, while continuing the sponsorship drive indefinitely afterward.

Leib said he now has received a bid for installing the concrete pad along Tenino Street for a SMILE Station bike rack, rebuilding the sidewalk at our north driveway after the excavation which repaired our sewer, **and** installing the paver path. The bid was submitted by Ferrante Brothers, and amounted to \$2,160 – plus the cost of the pavers, the permits, and any needed electrical work, all of which would be additional. After a discussion, Joel Leib made a motion that SMILE install the pathway, repair the sidewalk, and build the bike rack pad. Elizabeth Milner seconded the motion. The subsequent vote was eight “yes”, and one abstention. The motion carried.

To conclude the meeting, Pat Hainley was prepared to discuss and answer questions about the current SMILE financial report, which had already been submitted by e-mail to Board Members (and is incorporated into these minutes by reference). He observed that we are currently “ahead of budget”. There seemed to be few questions.

Tim DuBois moved that the meeting be adjourned, and Bob Burkholder seconded the motion. The subsequent vote was unanimous for adjournment. The meeting ended at 9:12 p.m.