



Board Attendance

P = present, A = absent, NA = notified/excused absence					
Leigh Bivings	NA	Bill Gregor	P	David Mundel	P
Betsy Boveroux	P	Betsy Hall	NA	Joe Park	P
Matt Carroll	P	Michael Hall	P	Susan Passoni	NA
Paul Duffy	P	Kyle Hancock	P	Bruce Petri	P
Kathy Emrich	P	John Herbert	P	Peter Pogorski	P
William Fastow	P	Roz Hill	P	Kimball Robeson	P
Jay Fogarty	P	Barbara Hoffman	P	Sandra Silver	NA
Beth Freeland	NA	Gordon Holmes	P	Carol Trust	P
Jennifer Girvin	NA	Abby Johnson	P		
Tony Gordon	A				

Guests: Allyson Baughman, Ann Hershfang, WalkBoston; Marissa Grey

Welcome

Kyle Hancock, President called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM

General Announcements and Topics of Discussion

1. WalkBoston Presentation

Ann Hershfang, one of the founders of WalkBoston gave an overview of the organization. Founded in 1990, WalkBoston has grown to more than 600 members in 65 cities and towns. It has two main goals:

1. To make it easier for people to walk in the city as part as their everyday life
2. To encourage people of all ages to walk more.

They are committed to improving street safety. Wider sidewalks, safer intersections and well-timed lights are advocated to encourage more people to walk. They have been very successful in getting city officials and developers to recognize and accommodate the needs of walkers.

Many more details can be found on their website: www.walkboston.org

2. Executive Committee Update -

Kyle Hancock, announced that Meghan Haggerty, South End Liaison to the Mayor’s Office, is to hold office hours at the South End Library every Thursday from 3:30 to 5:30.

Kyle reported that the Public Works and Transportation Department has organized a forum for South End residents. This will be a series of five meetings on such topics as recycling, transportation and roadway cleanliness, roadway construction and sanitation/trash management. The first meeting on recycling will be held on February 28th at 6:30 at Project Place. More details can be found by contacting Meghan at 617-635-4517.

Kyle mentioned that Union Park Neighborhood Association (UPNA) is asking that Board members who are in support of their recommendation that one, not three, houses on Upton Street should become part of the Pine Street Inn project, should contact our elected officials.

The minutes from prior Board meetings were discussed and accepted .

3. Other Committees -

-Development

John Herbert reported that there is to be a meeting on February 27th to request a permit allowing Saturday work for the building project at 301 Columbus Ave (The Bryant).

-Nominating Committee

Gordon Holmes reported that work is continuing to produce a slate of nominees. The committee is sending out an electronic message to all Ellis members to ask for nominations.

-Events

Michael Hall reported that the Progressive Dinner was a great success and raised \$360 for the Ellis.

Conclusion and adjournment

The next Board meeting will be on March 25th, 2008 .

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Hoffman