

## **FoSPB Monthly Meeting February 27, 2013 Eliot meeting room 7 PM to 8 PM**

### **Attendees:**

David Newman, Co-Chair  
Gunnar Sacher, Co-Chair  
Marjorie Newman  
Elka Grisham  
Carole Barkley  
David Loftus  
Ian Nicol  
Debbi Bell  
Buzz Braley  
Terry Dalsemer (add to foot patrol)  
Suzanne Evers  
Scott Barlow, PPS

### **Agenda:**

- *The month(s) in review*
  - Weekly Foot Patrol – 6:00 pm on Mondays, 3:00 pm on Fridays
  - Gardening Event – 2.16.
    - Pruned roses in front of PAM
    - 16 people plus master gardener Paul
  - Provided feedback on budget cuts
    - Lobbied for maintaining Dutch Elm disease treatment program
  - Foot patrol training originally scheduled for 2.20. was postponed to allow more interested FoSPB members to participate
    - New date will be announced shortly
  - Continue working with DA and security services on selected park issues
    - Camping and drug dealing continue to be present in the park and its direct neighborhood
- *PPS report*
  - 6 exclusions during the last month
  - Continued drug activities
  - Skate boarding activities
  - Increased number of patrols and time in the park
  - Changing patrol times to disrupt routine and behavioral patterns
  - Signs of unwanted activities – coins on Lincoln statue, shoes in trees
    - Remove if found
  - Hours in the park: 5 pm – 1 am
  - Call PPS at 503.710.7133 direct during shift hours
- *Park update*
  - Visitors population has decreased to a low with the colder, rainier weather
  - Issues immediately resolved through close cooperation with PP&R
  - Contacted Portland Streetcar to install trash can at new Streetcar stop
  - PP&R facing budget cuts
    - Understand final budget and cuts made (**David and Gunnar, 4.5.**)
  - Outreach to Portland Parks Foundation to explore funding opportunities

- Fundraising power of a non-profit
  - 10 Mill USD since 2002
- Administrative fee when using their services
  - One dollar per check, 3% of the received amount
- Launched outreach programs
- Community partnerships
  - Project oriented
  - Foundation's Board to approve
- FoSPB is on their list as friends group
- Fiscal vehicle to raise funds
- Outreach to Neighbors West / NorthWest
  - Funding future less certain
- PP&R meeting prep, 4.5, 2:00 – 3:00 pm, Portland Building
  - Smoking in the park
    - Install cigarette trash containers
      - Do homework (**Bryan A, 4.5.**)
      - Document existing designs / take picture to create a guide for design suggestions (**Carole B**)
    - Non-smoking benches/areas
    - Trash Ordinance - Modify City litter code to include cigarette butts as litter
      - Understand guidelines for Pioneer Square Park and see if they apply for SPB (**Art H**)
      - Assign enforcement people to this issue (**Steve P**)
      - Discuss with Art H to understand implications for ranger program
  - Label for rose varieties in the rose beds
    - Piggyback on other solutions (**Danielle F**)
  - Improve irrigation systems in all SPB
    - budget for 2013 or 2014 or add to bond
    - advocate with PP&R
    - FoSPB will volunteer labor
    - bring up at staff meeting (**Danielle F**)
  - Business recruitment for Shemanski Park
    - Follow up with Bryan A
      - Rangers taking the lead for O'Bryant park
      - Possible satellite of PSU Saturday Farmers Market
    - Connect with Mike Boyer on picking the right vendor
      - Invite Mike (**Gunnar, Bryan**)
    - Stakeholders: Bryan / Terri, Mike B, Art H, Rangers
  - Reduce skate boarding traffic
    - Post phone numbers to call on existing park signage - Park Ranger phone #'s have been posted on Park signs
      - Apply stickers to the signage
      - FoSPB to maintain
      - Send email to Art (**Bryan A, Gunnar**)
  - Loo – add sticker what number to call for issues
    - Bureau of Environmental Services
    - Provide contact (**Bryan A, Gunnar**)
  - Advertisement / Promotion
    - Bulletin Board(s) / Info Kiosks with SPB information
      - Umpqua Bank
      - South Park Blocks
      - Community issued project
    - Interpretive Signs
      - See Tanner Park

- Community issued project
  - Bring ideas / examples (**FoSPB, David**)
    - Litvas column
  - Understand long range plan for trees in the SPB park
    - Lobby to build a plan if it does not exist
- 2013 FoSPB project objectives - Update
  - 1) Install cigarette trash containers – 4.5.
  - 2) Trash Ordinance - Modify City litter code to include cigarette butts as litter – 4.5.
  - 3) Label for rose varieties in the rose beds – 4.5.
  - 4) Improve irrigation systems in all SPB – 4.5.
  - 5) Business recruitment for Shemanski Park – 4.5.
  - 6) Funding – register Parks Foundation or Neighbors West/Northwest to act as fiscal agent (**Marjorie**)
  - 7) Reduce skate boarding traffic – 4.5.
  - 8) Loo – add sticker what number to call for issues – 4.5.
  - 9) Create card with important phone numbers for distribution – Back of FoSPB cards (**Jinny S**)
  - 10) Advertisement / Promotion – 4.5.
  - 11) Member recruitment – PP&R Spring Guide
- Communication
  - Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/FriendsOfTheSouthParkBlocks>
  - Website: [www.fospb.org](http://www.fospb.org)
  - FoSPB article written by Carole Barkley will be in Spring PP&R Guide
    - Get some copies (**Gunnar**)
  - Website – added link to Park's and Rec's and ONI – [www.portlandonline.com/oni/dcp](http://www.portlandonline.com/oni/dcp) (**Gunnar**) – DONE
  - Oregonian Community News article on FoSPB Foot Patrol 2-16-13
    - Link article - <http://s.oregonlive.com/E2Q6Y3a>
  - Invitation from Mike Abbate' to participate in a discussion of the future of Portland's parks: [www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/future](http://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/future)
- Action Item update (see below)
- Upcoming Events
  - Park Ranger review committee – February, David
    - Compiling survey
  - Director Park stakeholders meeting 3-1-13, 1:30 – 2:30, Paramount Hotel
  - Q1 meeting with Parks & Rec – 4.5. (changed from 4.5.), 2:00 pm
  - Foot Patrol training – TBD, 7:00 – 9:00 pm, Eliot – 3<sup>rd</sup>. floor meeting room (**David**)
  - Garden work parties, Saturdays at 9:00 am (**Gunnar**)
    - March, 3.23., 9 – 11 - mulching
    - April – 4.20., 9 – 11, mulching
- Future Topics
  - 1) Install Pet Stations
    - Look at North-Park installation
    - PP&R did not like design
    - Build by CleanScapes
    - Not the biggest problem
    - Needs funding / sponsors
  - 2) WiFi In the Park - Establish WiFi hot spots in the South Park Blocks
    - Low priority for now

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- Cost issue – look for business support
  - Most people use smart phones
  - Move to future topics / opportunities
- 3) Event planning
    - Social events in the park
  - 4) Fundraising and fund needs
  - 5) Determine projects and need for funding; make contact with potential local business partners including PAM, OHS, Safeway
  - 6) Vest replacement by T-Shirts
    - Have business sponsoring T-Shirts
    - Have business sponsor incentives

**Next Meetings:**

Last Wednesday of the month, 7:00 PM, Eliot 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Meeting Room (3.27., 4.24., 5.29., 6.26.)

**Action Items**

Detail	Update	Owner	Date	Status
Governance of FoSPB: Study other Friends groups and then decide on FoSPB Governance structure		Carole	5/28/2012	Open
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Governance of FoSPB: Provide contact for ByLaws example		Mike Boyer	5/28/2012	Open
Create FoSPB Task List	Created for 2013	David / Gunnar	5/28/2012	Closed
Membership solicitation - University Place		Bob	5/28/2012	Open
Tree Cutting	What happens with cut wood? What is replacement plan?	David	7/31/2012	Open
Smoking Ban	Follow up with Parks and Recs – next meeting to be discussed 4.5.	David / Gunnar	7/31/2012	Closed
Event sponsoring	What is the procedure for FoSPB	David / Gunnar	8.29.2012	Open
Garden Work Party	Schedule event Schedule bench cleanup Events planned for February, March, April	David / Gunnar	8.29.2012	Closed
Phone number	Create phone number card of important number	Jinny	11.28.2012	Open

**20.12.090 Disposing of Rubbish.**

**A.** No person shall place any garbage, or other rubbish, or refuse or debris, or cigarette or cigar butts, nor shall any person deposit or leave birdseed, breadcrumbs or other food particles or food waste, in or upon any Park. Nothing in this Section shall prohibit any person from eating food in any Park, nor shall the prohibitions of this Section apply to the incidental loss of food particles that cannot reasonably be collected and properly disposed of.

**B.** No person shall enter any Park with garbage, or other rubbish or refuse or debris that has originated from outside the Park, for the purpose of disposing of any of the rubbish, refuse, or debris in the Park.

**C.** The prohibitions of this Section shall not apply to the disposal, in receptacles provided for that purpose, of garbage or refuse that results from the normal use of the Park for recreational or other lawful purposes.