



Trustees Present: Adam Balz, Peter Block, Christine Celsor, Ashley Fritz, Brad Hawse, Nicholas Hollan, Rama Kasturi, Seth Maney, Kevin Marsh, Shaun McCance, Malcolm Montgomery, Michael Moran, Cindy Oakenfull, Joyce Rich, Eric Urbas

Trustees Absent: None

Regular Reports:

Police: Officer Hagemann reported that theft from autos and burglaries have increased a small amount. There have been several arrests for thefts and drugs in Clifton.

Rec Center: Tom Reece reminded everyone to watch out for summer campers. They are still hiring teens for CRC pools. Call if you need summer camp, and they can help find a placement.

CCAC: Leslie Mooney gave an update on CCAC programming. Look online for programming, summer camps at cliftonculturalarts.org. Wednesdays on the Green starts May 31.

Cincinnati Parks Board to Discuss Events Planned and Groesbeck Fund: Sheila Harris introduced herself as the Event Coordinator of the Cincinnati Parks Board. They will be hosting events at Burnett Woods bandstand on June 1, July 6, and August 3. Ms. Harris has flyers that she will pass out to all the merchants on Ludlow, advertising the concerts. She encouraged everyone to come out for the classical music. Through the Groesbeck Fund, the Parks Board receives \$15,000 each year. They have all the events planned for this year already, but would like ideas for performers that may bring more people out to the events. If it's raining, the concerts this summer will be held indoors at the CRC. By noon the day of the concert, they should know if the concert will be moved to the CRC.

CCAC Relocation Update: Leslie Mooney and the CCAC are working on recouping their investment for building revitalization. They have sent their investment amount to CPS and are waiting for a response. In their current building, they use about 27,000 square feet. It will not be easy to find a new space in Clifton. The CCAC will work on community engagement to discover what the neighborhood would like with a new CCAC. Contact Ms. Mooney if you have any ideas about location, programming, etc.

DPS Report on Street Sweeping Changes: Jude Johnson from DPS reported that street sweepers weren't covering enough ground. DPS has new equipment. They have only been sweeping neighborhoods about once per year, but will now get to every neighborhood once a month. Changes include being citizen friendly. Parked cars will no longer be towed, will sweep into a dump truck, and be a consistent presence in neighborhoods. DPS will leave friendly reminders to move cars. This new service will start July 1, 2017. Kevin Marsh pointed out that Senator, Juergens, and parts of Clifton Ave. were not color coded for any street sweeping. Mr. Johnson did not know why these streets were not coded, but will get back to CTM with an answer. A community member said there should be a no litter campaign happening to go along

with this. Mr. Johnson said this is a problem that needs to be addressed, that litter is a problem all over the city. Joyce Rich will post the Street Sweeping changes on NextDoor Clifton.

CPS Announcement Regarding the New Neighborhood School: Superintendent Mary Ronan and CPS Board Member Eve Bolton spoke about the New Clifton Area Neighborhood School (CANS). They reported they had about 30 meetings with Clifton, CUF, and Spring Grove Village (SGV) discussing a neighborhood school, and decided the best location option was the old Clifton School. The new neighborhood school will open in August. This was the solution reached after learning families are concerned about not having public school seats in their community. CPS has been growing, they have over 35,000 children now and are in need of facilities. Fairview is a big part of the neighborhood but has no more space. CANS wants ethnic and socioeconomic diversity, and the boundaries set up will do that. They have already had open houses in their established space at Vine St., and they are working on tours. Anyone in the boundaries interested in kindergarten can register. CPS is looking to create a unique kind of campus with the Rawson House - a Community Learning Center - where the school and community are closely linked. The traffic concern issue has been brought up and it will be addressed. CANS will work on finding potential partners and will be having more community meetings this summer. They are excited to expand to meet the needs of the families.

Q&A with the community:

Who owns Rawson Estate?

CPS purchased the Rawson Estate and property.

What are boundaries for neighborhood school?

It will have defined boundaries that include Clifton, CUF and SGV.

When will new location open?

CPS is in negotiations on when CCAC will be moving out. It will depend on what lawyers decide.

What are ideas for Rawson House?

CPS is talking to partners to use it for fundraisers, office space, retreat areas, support staff. They have no intention to sell it.

Traffic concerns? What's the plan?

CPS hasn't looked at that, and that it is a city concern.

Can students go to a neighborhood school that is not in their neighborhood?

CPS will occasionally let someone use another neighborhood school if there are spaces and the parents provide transportation.

What plans are there for the Rawson front yard?

At this moment just taking care of the yard.

How will CPS project enrollment numbers? How do you finance it if you don't know how many kids will go there?

They look at boundaries and look at the number sense. They will start building at Vine St., so they will have the prep time to learn more about the numbers. There will be a CANS room so the kids and families get to know each other.

Would CPS consider giving enrollment at a magnet school in the neighborhood?
No, you can only get into magnet through the lottery.

What about the voucher process? How will that change with the neighborhood school? Will vouchers go away? What's the timeline?

If you are given a voucher, it's good through high school. Vouchers will continue until at least CANS 3rd grade, as that is when testing occurs.

How much money does CPS pay vouchers for Clifton?
\$100 million in the city, but they don't have numbers for Clifton.

What is plan for staff parking at the new school?
They will have to use about 12 Fairview parking spaces for staff parking. They have cut back on Fairview kindergarten size and will house the Fairview preschool at Vine St. next year.

If there is no plan for the Rawson House, why did you buy it?
CPS wanted to offer it to CCAC and partner with them.

Why not sell it?
They need to build a play set for the new school, and would also like a buffer space between the school and residents.

How can CPS make sure traffic is not an issue at the intersection of Clifton and McAlpin?
CPS says they will have to stagger the school start times to make sure there's not too much traffic at the same time.

How is it equitable? How will it affect other neighborhood schools that are half empty?
CPS says they will be spending a lot of money on schools.

There are empty seats at Rockdale, why open a new school?
We need to accept that this is going to happen and support it.

Other community concerns:
Would like community engagement about traffic, and what will happen with the front yard of the Rawson house.

Can any partner CPS chooses go in the Rawson House?
The new school needs the support of the neighborhood.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve carries.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report passes.

Fundraising Committee: Brad Hawse provided a list of CTM events with sponsorship opportunities. He is also looking for people to sponsor flowerpots on Ludlow Ave. If interested in being a sponsor, contact Brad at 513-551-3900, or Hawsebt@gmail.com.

NSP Update and Proposal to Increase NSP Funding: Eric Urbas reported that \$5600 will go toward Clifton Chronicle expenses, \$500 for insurance, and \$1500 for Wednesdays on the

Green. He encourages counting volunteer hours. There was a proposal to increase NSP money, and CTM submitted a letter of support.

CTM Bylaw Update: Malcolm Montgomery would like to determine if CTM's bylaws are legal, and to make them better. There is a pro bono attorney working on this. Malcolm invites any concerns or questions.

Clifton Market Loan: Eric Urbas reported that CTM's loan of \$8,000 was made to Clifton Market, and interest will be due in 5 years. Kevin Marsh made a motion to be able to see the lawyer's report. It was seconded and discussed. Motion to table to ask the law firm if the report can be shared.

Statement of Inclusion Distribution: Eric Urbas mailed 25 handwritten copies of CTM's Inclusion Statement.

Trustee Updates: It was announced that the Executive Committee removed Nicholas Hollan as Education Chair. Nicholas was asked to resign, but would not. This issue will be addressed at a later time. Clifton Plaza will have Cinco de Mayo and Derby events the first weekend of May. Clifton has a new logo. Trihealth Event on solar panels, nature walk and tree planting will be held on May 20. The Law Library has Immigration Law meeting on May 20. On May 13 a group ride for families will meet at Clifton Plaza. Adam Balz want to recognize and thank Dennis Turner for helping clean up Clifton Plaza.

Community Q&A: Erica Black-Johnson, a candidate for City Council, introduced herself. She lives in Mt. Airy and works at Freestore Food Bank. Kelly Prather introduced herself. She is also running for City Council, and is focused on health, inclusion and justice.

Meeting adjourned at 9:07pm.

