



Board of Directors Meeting  
June 17, 2014  
The Mantell Plaza, 255 W 24th St. Miami Beach, 33139

In Attendance:

Ray Breslin  
John Couriel  
Tim Wilcox  
Debi Quade  
Jennifer Shipley

Manny Meland  
Megan Riley  
Prakash Kumar  
Harvey Burstein  
Terry Schechter for Jonah Pruitt

Nathan Lieberman  
Marc Philippe  
Heather Davis  
Carolyn Klepser

**Absent**

Shawn Vardi, Robyn Malek, Tim Nardi, Jean Ortega

**Approval of minutes**

Harvey Burstein made a motion to approve minutes of April 22, 2014 with 2 spelling corrections. Seconded by Prakash Kumar. Unanimous approval.

**Treasurer report**

Manny Meland reported CPNA had a bank balance of \$2,524.92 in April. A donation came into CPNA. A check was issued.

As of June 17, 2014 the bank balance is \$2,914.92.

**CPNA app and web site**

Zoel gave an update on the web site. The board reviewed the link on the site that was provided to board members.

Prakash Kumar made a motion to move forward on the website and app.

Debi Quade seconded. Unanimous approval.

Carolyn Klepser made a motion to allow all cultural institutions to have a \$2,000 slot on the app at no charge.

John Couriel seconded. Unanimous approval.

**Collins Park lighting and park activation**

Ray Breslin spoke with city of Miami Beach staff and the Bass Museum regarding lack of lighting in Collins Park.

Ray Breslin walked Collins Park with John Rebar. CPNA would like the Bass Museum to provide their thoughts on lighting for the park.

Nathan Lieberman made a motion for CPNA board to write a letter to the City of Miami Beach to hire a lighting and electrical engineer for recommendations on proper installation of lighting and electric in Collins Park. The letter will include examples of art in public places that has been illuminated.

Heather Davis seconded. Unanimous approval.

### **Collins Park Green Market update**

Claire Tomlin has been given approval by the city of Miami Beach for a market in Collins Park, allowing up to 71 10 x 10 tents along the walkways at the southeast corner of 21st street and Collins Avenue.

### **Neighborhood updates**

Yoga in the park will start July 14th in Collins Park. It will be Monday and Wednesday from 6pm to 7pm.

Ray Breslin is meeting with commissioner Deede Weithorn. Commissioner Weithorn has put Collins Park Neighborhood on the Neighborhoods committee agenda.

The City of Miami Beach is working with county and state to bring a water taxi to our neighborhood.

The foot bridge from Tradewinds, over the Collins Canal to Liberty Street was discussed.

After discussion, Debi Quade made a motion for CPNA to send a letter to the City of Miami Beach suggesting renovating the bridge, to include widening, raising and lighting the bridge.

Nathan Lieberman seconded. Unanimous approval.

Heather Davis gave an update on Vintro Hotel. The Connie Gordon house has been demolished, but the original dance floor has been preserved. The site of the former house will remain a park for now.

Vintro Hotel expects to open on or before October 31st.

Nathan Lieberman told members the former Women's Club will be a historical Museum for Miami Beach.

Ray Breslin is talking with the transportation department on the possibility of running a trolley up and down Collins Avenue.

Miami Beach Centennial was discussed. March 26th is the actual 100 year anniversary date. 4 big parties were talked about. Inviting "Cake Boss" television crew to bake a large cake was suggested.

### **New Business**

Tim Wilcox congratulated Jennifer Shipley for her talk on the Miami Beach Library at the last Membership meeting.

Ray Breslin brought up the fact that the students from The English Language School are mixing with the homeless, now that 1 Hotel and Homes boardwalk has been removed. The homeless have moved to the area behind 24th and 25th St. This is behind the school.

Debi Quade made a motion for CPNA to send a letter to the City of Miami Beach to look into the situation. Carolyn Klepser seconded. Unanimous approval.

Harvey Burstein made a motion to adjourn.  
Prakash Kumar seconded. Unanimous approval.

**Meeting adjourned 8:45pm**