



## DNA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

6pm, August 2, 2021

Virtual Meeting

Present: LaShana Lewis, Dan Pistor, Kristin Denbow, James Page, Jace Brotherton, Munir Prince, Alex Hurst

- **Previous Meeting Notes** (Jace)
- **Treasurer's Report** (James)
  - USBank 07/30/21 bank statement.
    - Balance = **\$22,434.01**
  - USBank 08/02/21 bank summary.
    - Balance = **\$22,434.01**
  - QuickBooks P&L Report (2021).
    - Loss (01/01/21 - 08/02/21) = **-\$513.07**
- **Old Business** -
  - Approve/Reject/Table support/endorsement of WePower by DNA
    - Will invite to September Town Hall
  - July Virtual Town Hall Meeting Post-Mortem
    - [Spark St. Louis](#) (Hayley Johnston, Community Manager) - Give 5 minutes at the top of the meeting to present.
    - [Mayor Jones](#) & Staff - Has remainder of meeting, possibly includes Downtown Safety Plan responses.
- **New Business** -
  - [Special City-Wide Election](#) -
    - **Date:** **August 3rd (Tuesday)**
    - **Title:** The Community College District of St. Louis, St. Louis County Missouri Special Election (Prop R)
    - [Sample Ballot](#)
    - [Official Ballot](#)
    - **Purpose:**  
*For the purposes of updating career training programs to enable job growth in critical industries including healthcare, information technology, financial services, biotechnology and manufacturing, providing safe and secure learning environments for students and employees, investing in technology and infrastructure needs, constructing and repurposing, renovating and eliminating, equipping and furnishing new and existing facilities, and furthering the college's regional impact, shall the Board of Trustees of The Community College District of St. Louis, St. Louis County, Missouri*



*be authorized to increase the operating tax levy by \$0.08 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation? If this proposition is approved, the adjusted operating levy of the district is estimated to be \$0.2787 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation.*

- Laclede's Landing Bicentennial Celebration (see attachment)
  - Street Festival
  - Date: **Saturday, August 7th, 11a - 5p**
  - Location: Second Street between Morgan & Laclede's Landing Blvd
- September Virtual Town Hall Meeting Prep
  - [Brickline Greenway](#) - GRG Emailed James & I about presenting at July Town Hall, we may have them for the September Town Hall.

• **Committee Updates**

- Membership
- Urban Spaces
  - Homeless tent encampments are being removed. More effort to get homeless individuals indoors
  - Tiny homes are for veterans
  - City working on building pallet homes
- Events
  - Working on walking tour
- Safety
  - Weekly meeting with Nancy
  - Working with pro-bono attorney on nuisance properties
  - Increasing regulations on surface parking lots
  - Continued effort on disputing liquor licenses
- Building Captains

• **Open Discussion (continuation?)**

- Mauria Tomlin (NSO, Ward 6) is on maternity leave, Dena Hibbard ([hibbardd@stlouis-mo.gov](mailto:hibbardd@stlouis-mo.gov)) will fill in. Dena has already been added to the mailing list.
- [Taste of St. Louis](#) (Sept 24-26) - Advertise/Booth?
  - Notes from James on 07/07/21 -
    - I reached Chuck Justus of Taste of Saint Louis.
    - This year's Taste of Saint Louis will take place at Ballpark Village.
    - This year's Taste of Saint Louis will be publicly announced on 07/12/21.
    - Dates: September 24th, 25, 26th.
    - There will be no opportunity for DNA to sell beverages or any other food products as in past years.
    - Chuck Justus said he would **provide a DNA booth from which we can sell memberships, raffle tickets, 50/50 drawings**; etc. to raise money.



- We will pursue booth opportunity
- [Community Night at the Ballpark](#) - Will we participate?
  - We are going to pass this year
- [Blues Cruise](#) (Blues music on Riverboat) - Possibly fun, 21+ event, group tickets available, masks are **required**
- [Downtown Walking Tours](#) - Possibly partnering/have present at a future meeting?
  - Abide by COVID-19 regulations
- [Al Fresco by National Blues Museum](#) - Should we promote? Every Saturday, 4pm to 7pm, corner of Wash Ave & 6th.
  - Continue to promote
- As an FYI: [Pride St. Louis Event](#) (Pride is Alive) @ Ballpark Village (Aug 27-29) - Live entertainment on Mastercard Main Stage, a vendor fair, sponsorship row, table reservations, and VIP Experience. (NOTE: This is not the same as PrideFest, which is postponed until 2022.)
- Light info - Downtown SUD
  - Special Use District
    - The Grove has done this successfully
    - Helps regulate businesses coming into the area
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