

**SE Uplift Board
Notes
April 6th and 7th Information Meetings**

At 5:40 p.m. on April 6th and 7th, 2020; members of the SE Uplift Board were invited to participate in a Zoom online meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to have Organizations and Neighborhood Association Representatives share what some of their best practices and activities during this health crisis. Tina Kimmey (Board Chair) and Leroy Eadie (Executive Director) hosted the meeting and eight Board members participated.

Tina and Leroy gave a quick SEUL update which was largely similar to the one shared with the Board over email recently.

Here are the notes of the two meetings:

April 6th Meeting

Allen Field – Richman Neighborhood Association

- NA Board meetings are canceled at this time
- The Board is going to have an informal online meeting in the coming weeks
- Richman is doubtful that they can have online elections due to the high number of participants in previous years, at this time elections are postponed until June

Constance Beaumont – Laurelhurst Neighborhood Association

- NA Board will meet online on April 14th
- Discussing postponing May elections
- NA distributed flyers to households in the neighborhood asking if anyone needed any assistance

Estafania Zavala – Educate Ya

- Online language courses are still available and have moved online - opportunities are available for giving language lessons
- Inquired if any emergency grant funding was going to be provided by SEUL. Leroy responded that it is possible once it is understood that City funding is secure for the next fiscal year.
- Has started a Go-Fund-Me account to address the current needs of staff and teachers whose incomes are being adversely impacted by the health crisis.
- Here are some important Educate Ya links:
- <http://www.educateya.org/classes-and-services.html>
- <https://www.facebook.com/educatepdx>

- https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/help-us-to-continue-our-educational-programs?utm_campaign=oc&utm_medium=facebook&utm_source=crowdrise&fbclid=IwAR36ntudWTx1gToakRNg7_yPP9Cf003HIMndKS6KKj7MSV01IK9Mr3Atnjo

Amy Bader – Portland Community College

- The college is all online at this point and focused on business continuity. Here is a link to further information: <https://www.pcc.edu/coronavirus/information-for-students/resources/>
- Participated in City of Portland granting process that saw a \$140,000 to the Jade District to be used as part of a small business response fund.
- Prosper Portland is opening up a Small Business Relief Fund to provide grants and zero interest loans <https://prosperportland.us>

April 7th Meeting

Pam Hodge – Brentwood Darlington Neighborhood Association

- Had their normal monthly Board meeting online
- Canceled Land Use committee meeting
- Elections postponed until June
- Have continued to work with local farmers, including the local learning gardener's lab
- Discussed how sustainability is coming to the forefront during this time

Lindsey Johnson – Montavilla Neighborhood Association

- Last Board meeting was in March, no new meetings are scheduled at this time
- Going to work on potentially having an online meeting in the near future.

Dave Weaver – Kerns Neighborhood Association

- Been posting on NA Facebook page often
- Monitoring Next Door posts to identify ways NA can assist
- Held March Board meeting on Skype
- Holding April Board meeting next week
- Made connection with their Neighborhood Emergency Team – which led to further discussion about how SEUL could assist in connecting NAs to Neighborhood Emergency Teams.
- Here are some links for Neighborhood Emergency Teams:
<https://www.portlandoregon.gov/pbem/31667>
<https://www.portlandoregon.gov/pbem/article/456221>

Anna Weichsel – Woodstock Neighborhood Association

- Held recent Board meeting on Zoom
- Postponing elections to June
- Updated website recently
- Are working on strategies to hold elections online

- Helping get information out about local businesses that are still open
- Looking into ways to work with schools and teachers to assist students with online learning
- Discussing ways to support upcoming local farmers market given the social distancing requirements
- City of Portland hygiene trailer at a local church to support those that are houseless in the neighborhood
- Asked the question about connecting NA Chairs over a meeting to compare notes and strategies