

***CAPITOL NEIGHBORHOODS, INC.***

**MINUTES of Annual Membership Meeting held Thursday June 28, 2012 at Monona Terrace.**

- I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYER. Mayer gave brief introductory remarks.
- II. ELECTION OF NEIGHBORHOOD REPRESENTATIVES.

The following neighborhood representatives were up for election this year for a two-year term.

**Bassett (chaired by Pete Ostlind):** No one was up for election this year. There is one open seat. Jonathan Cooper and Davy Mayer's terms are up in 2013 for the remaining two seats.

**First Settlement (chaired by Jim Skrentny):** Up for election this term for the three seats are incumbents Megan Christiansen and Dan O'Brien, along with newcomer Carole Buchsteiner.

**James Madison Park (chaired by Erik Minton):** Up for election this term for the three seats are incumbents Cliff Fisher, Lupe Montes-Tydrich and Brenda Konkel.

**Mansion Hill (chaired by Gene Devitt):** Up for election this year for two seats are John Sheean and Franny Ingelbritson. Fred Mohs's term for the remaining seat is up in 2013.

**Mifflin West (chaired by Larry Warman):** Up for election this year for two seats are Scott Kolar and Tim Kamps. Michael Johnson's term for the remaining seat is up in 2013.

A MOTION by Zellers, with a SECOND by Montes-Tydrich, to move the entire slate of candidates is APPROVED by the unanimous vote of all CNI members in good standing present.

- III. KEYNOTE SPEAKER.

Scott Kolar introduced the keynote speaker, new President and CEO of Overture Center, Ted DeDee.

Mr. DeDee introduced himself and discussed his work before arriving in Madison. He is the first CEO of the private entity, the Overture Foundation, which started in February of 2012. According to DeDee, the immediate goal of the foundation is to become fiscally responsible and to "break even." Mr. DeDee then announced that he expects Overture to be slightly "in the black" at the end of this fiscal year (June 30<sup>th</sup>) due to a highly successful fundraising effort in all sectors of the community. The ambitious goal was to raise \$2.4 million. To date, they are less than \$100,000 short of that goal.

Mr. Dedee described Overture's significant economic impact on downtown Madison. It has brought money into the community, helped increase property values and improved the tax base downtown. The goal for Overture is to provide a good product, increase attendance and reach people who have not been reached by Overture. DeDee reports that over half a million people attend events at Overture per year, a quarter of the audience is from outside Dane County and half the audience attends free or reduced admission events (such as "Kid in the Crossroads" and "Overture After Work" – both to be expanded next year). There is more to do and more people to reach. Overture must be relevant to and reach out to the community. To that end, the Community Advisory Board, of which Ald. Verveer is a member, is looking for ways to make Overture more relevant and accountable to the entire community. One objective is to take Overture outside its four walls and into the community, collaborating with various community organizations

Mr. Dedee reports that 70% of Overture's revenue comes from ticket sales, weddings and other events. The remaining 30% comes from donations. Plans are to have 80 Broadway performances this coming year; up from 35 this past year. DeDee described Madison as "the right place to be for me" and concluded his remarks by stating that Overture has undergone "a beautiful transformation" and will be on "a wonderful path in the future."

IV. Mayer concluded the meeting with a few closing remarks and invited everyone to stay and socialize with downtown friends and neighbors present.

**NEXT EC MEETING:      *Tuesday July 24, 2012, 5:15 p.m., Madison Senior Center, 2d floor.***

AGENDA for July 24<sup>th</sup> EC meeting

- I. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM.
- II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MAY EC AND JUNE ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES.
- III. TREASURER'S REPORT.
- IV. REPORT ON SAFETY/CRIME DOWNTOWN.
- V. ACTION ITEMS/NEW BUSINESS

**Introduction of new neighborhood representatives/committee chairs.**

**Annual Election of EC Officers.**

**Other.**

- VI. OLD BUSINESS

**Downtown Plan Update;**

**100 Block State St. Proposal Update;**

**Gorham/Johnson One-Way/Two-Way Update;**

**Doyle Square Update;**

**Report on June 6<sup>th</sup> meeting of EC members with Mayor Soglin;**

**Status of CNI Website;**

**Garden Committee Mission Statement;**

**EC Retreat;**

**Other.**

VII. DISTRICT REPORTS

**Mansion Hill, Bassett, Mifflin West, First Settlement, James Madison Park.**

VIII. ALDERPERSONS' REPORTS.

IX. PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Program, Membership/Media/Development, DROC, Finance, Physical Linkages, Downtown Plan, Garden, Education and City Issues Monitoring.**

XI. ADJOURNMENT.

**\*Agenda subject to change by Mayer.**