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### **MNA Board of Directors Meeting 7:00- 9:00 pm, February 17, 2025 MINUTES**

**Location:** The Rotunda Cafe, 1965 Atwood Avenue

#### **Board Members Present:**

Sydney DenHartigh  
Elle Grevstad  
Eric Hamilton  
Cailey Jamison  
Courtney Lindl (arrived 7:25)  
Del Lorenson (arrived 7:15)  
Lindsay Marlovits  
Briant Novinska-Lois  
Jen Plants  
Wynona Pyrtel

#### **Board Members Absent:**

Marlisa Kopenski Condon (planned absence)  
Kate Allen Rubin (planned absence)

#### **Community members:**

Alex Chimino  
Ray Cruz  
Ryan Koglin  
Davy Mayer  
Marsha Rummel  
Mike Tarby

**Call to Order:** 7:01

**Approval of December Minutes:** Cailey moved to approve, 2nd: Elle, Motion passes.

#### MPD Report

Officer Alex Chimino was available for questions.

#### Alder Report

The Marquette Cafe is applying for a liquor license as part of expanding their service to evenings. On 2/9/25 at 8 am, there will be a Q&A neighborhood meeting on site.

There will be a meeting regarding the RFP for the East Washington Brayton Lot development on 2/3/25 from 6:30-8:30 pm via Zoom.

The former Port St. Vincent site on South Baldwin has put out an RFP for redevelopment.

The Atwood Music Hall is soon to open!



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Marsha is working with other alders to create a sanctuary resolution.

#### Enhancement Committee Report

The 2025 grant application deadline has been extended to February 7. This does not impact the timeline of announcing grant recipients, which will be finalized on 2/17/25.

Committees are reminded that their 2025 budget requests must follow the same timeline and grant application process as external grant requests.

#### Membership Committee Report

The committee is building a new workflow to make processing a membership less time intensive and more efficient. This system should be in place by late February. Additionally, the committee has set a goal of increasing our membership to 500 by October.

**Motion to allocate a budget to the Membership Committee for a winter social/bingo event in late February: Jen moved to approve, 2nd: Cailey. Motion passes.**

#### Williamson Marquette Business Alliance Update

Bradley Tabor continues to help shepherd the process of the development of WMBA. Grant funding has been secured, and the bylaws are being written. The next WMBA meeting is 1/28/25, so more news will be forthcoming.

#### Finance Committee/Treasurer's Report

There was very little activity in December, which is similar to years past. As of 12/31/24, MNA was in good standing, and our 990 form will be submitted to the IRS by January 30th.

#### Status Update - Funding to Elementary & Middle Schools in lieu of Annual Coat Drive

Rather than a coat drive this year, Lapham, Marquette, and O'Keeffe were each given \$750 to fund the purchase of winter gear for students and families as needed. This seems to match the actual needs of the school more effectively, and there was discussion about making these gifts a permanent budget item.

#### Open Discussion on outstanding topics

An RFP for website redevelopment has been sent out and we are waiting for bids.

Report to CommComm on forthcoming newsworthy items

- Review of board assigned tasks (see below)
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**Adjourn: Elle motion to adjourn: Cailey 2nd. Motion passes unanimously**

**Meeting Adjourned: 7:50**



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#### Board Tasks:

- Jen: Double check 2024 grant project narratives links for board reference
- Elle: Invite Kath to April MNA Meeting
- Courtney: Promote grants extension deadline on social media
- Cailey & Briant: Prepare MailChimp to announce grant extension deadline
- Jen: Add new participant emails to the Traffic & Safety Committee email distribution list
- ALL BOARD MEMBERS: Promote extension of grant application deadline
- Committee Chairs: submit 2025 proposed budgets by 2/7/25