

AGENDA GBA Steering Committee MTG 2.22.2017 4-6pm
NEXT MTG WEDNESDAY MARCH 29th 4-6pm Chesapeake Arts Center

INTRO: Check in: Co - Chair Michael Furbish noted that the steering committee membership covers a broad range of activities in the GBA communities - and that it would serve us well to give everyone a chance to share. Michael's assertion that we are covering a lot of ground was borne out by the fact that the check in took nearly the entire meeting - a clear sign that 1) we have a group that is heavily engaged and 2) we have a lot of opportunity to relate to one another to strengthen our core objectives.

Michael Furbish: Wants to see more interaction btwn industrial community and GBA

Mary Burkholder: Brooklyn Park is now designated as an Enterprise Zone (City side of our collaboration already is designated as such)

Dante de Tablan: Noted the significant risk posed to BFHS by the City Schools Budget gap

Greg Sawtell: Gave update on submitting initial application for the ArtPlace grant to get capital money for housing/community land trust work in GBA area.

Bob Hoyt: Informed the group about a **Mar 16th mtg at 5:30pm at BFHS media center** on increasing accessibility of Masonville Cove. Noted goal to increase Port of Baltimore involvement in GBA activities

Laurie Anderson: Informed group about **Rain Barrel workshop March 11th** and a **cleanup on Mar 25th at Masonville Cove**

Janet Eveland: Informed group about the Baltimore Good Neighbor Coalition - is working with community youth leader Charles Graham to speak on a panel about high concentration of liquor outlets in the communities. Jan is also active in the dredged material work group.

Larry Gill: Informed the group about a mtg on the Cedar Hill Development (162 acres - including Bloody Pond) set for **Mar 8th at 6pm @ Brooklyn Park Library** - encouraged people to attend.

Michael Dorsey: Noted that **April 22nd is Ben Fest** - strong community building event. Friends of Baybrook Park is attracting large #s of volunteers (500 from Comcast). Also noted a grant to conduct health surveys in Brooklyn Park.

Mandy Memmel: The Well is hosting **Health Day on May 20th**. Mandy and her husband are working to provide homeownership opportunities to community members.

Destiny Watford: Presenting at Light City on April Date: **Thursday, April, 6, 2017**

Time: 11:25 AM - 11:45 AM Location: Columbus Center, 701 E Pratt St, Baltimore, MD 21202

Topic: A Bold New Vision for Re-Shaping Development in Baltimore: Perspectives from an Award Winning Young Leader

Emma Simpson: Noted the upcoming Strong City Neighborhood Institute -

Erin Karpewicz: Provided update on housing project using BRNI funds. Noted a mtg with Michael Braverman of Baltimore Housing on ACDS doing work in City side of the GBA area.

Belinda: Noted the **September launch of the Maker Space** at the CAC!

I. GBA: Our Goals/Objectives

The group engaged in open discussion about our goals, objectives and organizational identity. The main takeaways from the conversation were #1 Use the vision/aciton plan as the basis for evaluating ourselves according to the benchmarks it contains. #2 We want to earn a clear reputation in the GBA communities - through community engagement and core values/principles.

II. Project Briefings (TABLED FOR FUTURE MTG)

What are some near term wins that we can start to build momentum around and form our identity?

Briefings from project leaders (focused on educating the broader steering committee on the project - highlighting timeline, benefits as well as any challenges/opportunities for the GBA to engage).

- a. Erin Karpewicz - ACDS Rehab/Homeownership
- b. Dante de Tablan - Athletic field in Curtis Bay
- c. Discussion/ Q and A on project briefings: what core shared values do these projects stem from?

III. Committees

Review that the committees are a primary way for our effort to be guided and informed by residents and stakeholders.

- a. Review the committee structure along with the break down of who has signed up for each.

We identified people to serve as chairs for the task forces. These people will coordinate with core members of each task force to meet and: #1 identify the benchmarks from our plan that relate to the task force #2 discuss the core values that drive the work to be carried out by the task force #3 relate the budget to the work of the task force - how do funded projects for this round of BRNI relate to the goals/work area of the task force?

- b. Provide time for each committee to huddle to plan for a mtg schedule, time and place. Carol's draft work plan made available to each grouping for consideration. Consolidate all mtg time places into master list.

This task was pushed to take place outside of the mtg with results shared back to the GBA body.

IV. Outreach / Inspiration (TABLED FOR FUTURE MTG)

Center in on the challenge/opportunity we are taking on - what does this call for in terms of inspiration we draw from and the actions we take to be deeply inclusive in our approach to this work?

- a. Identify need for consistent outreach activities to bring people into the GBA
- b. Identify the need to build a consolidated list for outreach.

V. Other Business - including report back on GBA related activities

VI. Closing - Check out

Several GBA members had to leave the mtg early - some to attend the SB6 mtg (which raised a need to coordinate schedules across the various mtgs/processes underway).

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