Meeting convened at 6:06pm

Dave, Leah, Nadia, Josh, Cindy, Diana, and Mike were present.

Minutes are approved by present board members. It was mentioned that the minutes could use more details at times.

Treasury report by Cindy. Cindy passed out the budget for the year-to-date. Spent to date 4,412.80. Money is being pulled from savings to cover current expenses. Expenses total around $6,000 annually.

Ideas of fundraisers were discussed, such as 15% of a business proceeds going to WeCan or something like that. One possibility is Seedstock Brewery. Leah will look into it. Should we have a subcommittee specifically focused on fundraising activities? There was discussion about that.

Leah is working on a welcome letter for new residents, which will hopefully be ready in January. Calendar magnets are being prepared, which may be delivered together with the welcome letters. All residents will receive a welcome letter the first quarter, and then afterwards only new residents will receive it.

For the new WeCAN website, we are waiting on the domain name to be switched to the new host. Content and layout are being developed and are planned to be completed by the end of December.

By-laws

Of focus is the section on memberships, how to keep track of memberships, etc. Efforts have been made to make the by-laws more readable. Now electronic voting for board meetings will be possible with the new by-laws. In January, there will be a general membership meeting to vote on the new bylaws.

The point was brought up about general meeting voting. One possibility is that all voting can be done during the last half-hour of the meeting allow for people to vote who can’t make it on time for the meeting. The possibility of voting electronically for general meeting votes is under discussion.

For neighborhood issues, surveys could be used to receive data points instead of voting.

Under discussion is the re-zone request at Hooker and 16th. A zoning application hasn’t been received yet. Leah will contact them to schedule an appearance at the general membership meeting, possibly in January. The re-zone will be for a low-income housing building by Rocky Mountain Charities (RMC). Concerns were expressed about low-income housing being disproportionately allocated to West Colfax. Also in question is whether the owner of this new project has maintained the current buildings well.

The RMC representative will be expected to come to a board meeting before coming to a general membership meeting.

Volunteer appreciation party. Board members will provide food. Email invites will be sent out to all the volunteers. It will be on December 11.

Homeless camp issue. An informal meeting will be arranged with Councilman Paul Lopez to discuss the issue. One question is what can the councilmen or what can we do to abate the problem of the homeless camp in West Colfax.
Slot homes. A moratorium city wide is not generally supported on the city council, however a local, confined moratorium could possibly be passed by signing a petition. The neighborhood organization needs to clarify issues related to the slot homes. Look and feel should be brought to the general membership. Adherence to building codes, etc should be addressed by the board.

The issue came up of landlords that are not respectful of neighbors and parking and following certain city codes. The neighborhood association cannot take a position on this but individuals can submit letters to landlords and contact the city of Denver code enforcement.

There will be no December newsletter. An email will go out to remind everyone about that, the Amazon smile fundraising options, and the Girl’s Inc Bold Beans.

Options for future meetings includes the Windchimes project, food co-op, Sloan’s redevelopment, CPTED (Crime prevention through environmental design), Denver digs tress, and bringing in business owners.

WeCAN accomplished the sustainability points necessary for our status as a sustainable neighborhood.

Meeting adjourned at 7:31pm