Community Engagement Committee Meeting Draft Minutes

Called to order at 5:50

In attendance: Alternier, Angelica, Caleb, Carolyn, Cristina, Kere

Member of the public: Kathryn Sterbenc

Caleb moves and Carolyn seconds October 2022 minutes.

As of 11/15/22, we have 25 registrants so far.

Kere to send Angelica list of registrants so that she can send follow up to folks who haven't registered yet.

OPL events calendar -- Sara adding the mixer it. And staff e-news weekly until event. Will also send to volunteers and funders for OPL. Has sent to branch friends list already.

Kathryn to send to new Bookmark employees. and has sent to all electeds. Sheng Tao is a maybe. Fife has a conflict.

Kathryn to put the mixer on homepage of OPL advocates website.

Alternier says maybe someone else from Fife's office can attend. Kathryn to extend invite to her staff members.

Caleb recommends inviting likely incoming Councilmembers and he can help if we need contact info. Kathryn will look for emails.

Carolyn suggests sending two more follow up emails.

Kere suggests sending follow ups this week and on Monday November 28th because election is likely consuming a lot of invitees' time and energy.

Co-host will be Steven Cole and Kathryn to meet with him next week.

Poet Laureate confirmed for prep session.

Break out moderators are confirmed and invited to practice session on 11/30.

Everyone on the prep call will join the meeting at 12:30 on the day of the mixer to work out any technical difficulties.

Caleb brings up the potential for late spring/early summer event so that we can safely gather outdoors.

Kathryn says Friends Board is on board with the spring event and would like to not have it later in summer due to vacations.

Carolyn asks which library has a good outdoor area for this.

Kathryn suggests a library that is next to public transit and has ample parking. Or could it be on a day when the library is closed because the areas are not reservable. Maybe we should think beyond having it at the Main.

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It could be a Sunday event because libraries are mostly closed, says Carolyn. Maybe Rockridge parking lot.

Caleb suggests outdoor areas around the Main Library.

Kere suggests being outside of Bradley Walters room so that you can have food indoors and program outside. Or 2nd floor staffroom at Main library. Or reading room. Chavez Library might be an option, already has tables set up and a stage area. Can fit 150 people.

Alternier says West Oakland has a big patio area and a room right off it that could be for food.

Kere to look into availability in May for all libraries mentioned.

Meeting adjourned at 6:29

Agenda building

- 1. Approval of November Draft Minutes
- 2. Public Comment (2 Minute Limit)
- 3. OPL Advocates Holiday Mixer Feedback
- 4. 2023 Spring/Summer Mixer Planning
- 5. Agenda Building
- 6. Adjournment