



GASLAMP QUARTER ASSOCIATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
MINUTES

Wednesday, February 23rd, 2022, | 3:30 PM  
ZOOM

Present Board Members	Absent Board Members	GQA Staff
Josefina Jandinger Aron Langellier Cindy Blair Carlos Becerra Michael Georgopoulos Laurie Peters Nathan Wing Stephen Sherman Jeffrey Burg Wayne Partello Joe Santos Howard Greenberg Jim Shaw Bruce Getz Pam Schwartz	Dania Duke Kim Rick Sumeet	Michael Trimble Alma Ascencio

1. **Call to Order – Directors Present**

Josefine Jandinger  
Aron Langellier  
Jeff Burg

**Zoom**

2. **Minutes approved by: Executive Board- All in favor Jeff, Lori (seconds)**

Michael Trimble: I want to welcome everyone to the February 23rd Gaslamp Quarter Association Board of Directors meeting. I want to welcome everyone to the second month of 2022.

Just for clarification, public comment for anyone attending that's not a board member is in the beginning, and those are the times for people to make public comment or respond to anything they must bring up prior to the business meeting that will take place after public comments.

All right, we've taken role, and we have a quorum and called it to order. Is there any non-agenda public comment? We will give the public 2 minutes to make any comments. Any public comment? Alright, no public comment. Let's move on to our



liaison reports. I see Alonzo from clean and safe, welcome my friend. Thank you for joining us. Looking forward to your update.

Alonzo- Clean & Safe: Thank you Michael. Appreciate it. I have some exciting and good news for everyone. It's been a busy couple months for us on the planning stage. I want to just thank everyone for completing their digital survey. We are going to be increasing our security and pressure washing services. What that means specifically for everyone, here for the Gaslamp we are going to be looking to increase security with another full-time position. That still needs to be voted in by our board here in the first week of March, so hopefully the next board meeting that you have, Michael, I can kind of give everyone an update on, you know, once that's been approved. Obviously, that goes into City Council in June. And like I said regarding pressure washing, obviously we've made some adjustments here, this this fiscal year just given everything that's been going on with some of the vending that's been going on as well as the additional foot traffic. So, we've had to pivot a little bit this fiscal year, so while we are over budget. Overall, because of the extra wash that we've been doing. Kind of, you know, opportunity for us to see that weekend pressure washing is crucial to the Gaslamp Quarter and it's something that we need to incorporate into our operations moving forward.

So that's what you're going to see for the next fiscal year. Come July is where we have budgeted pressure washing services on the weekend. As well, on top of the regular baseline that happens through the entire district, we think that this will continue to kind of help with some of the challenges that we're seeing with some of the vendors, but then also just the additional foot traffic that's happening because the 5th Ave closure as well. As everyone knows and we try to always maximize the assessment dollars and find other ways to provide services. So hopefully you know, fingers crossed.

Michael Trimble: So just to go over some of the things we talked about, maybe you can give an update on the big belly trash can pilot program.

Alonzo- Clean & Safe: Yes, so we we've been hearing from I mean specifically honestly the Gaslamp Quarter but other districts that there is a challenge with our folks that are unsheltered that sometimes go through the trash cans and you know; either someone trying to enjoy their meal outside of their patio or whatever. And we have folks rummaging through the trash. That unsafe environment and it kind of hinders our operations and then we must send folks back over there to clean up. So, we've been working for the like the past year and a half to two trying to find a company that can design a trash can for us. We were looking at Big Belly in its original format with all the technology, but those trash cans are somewhere between \$5,000 to \$10,000 depending on what technology we need. So, we went ahead and approached Big Belly. And basically, pitched the idea if they can give us a non-smart trash can.

These are brand new trash cans. These are the first ones of its time, so they're designing them right now and building them. We expect delivery late spring, early summer, so probably somewhere. Around May we should be receiving those.

Michael Trimble: Great, that's great stuff. There are some other things I have on my list. Maybe you could expand upon. I know that we doubled our power washing from 300 and 3489 sidewalks to 5793. sidewalks a month. Maybe you can expand upon that and how we have covered the budget. I know there was a federal tax credit program you guys are working on for Gaslamp.

Alonzo- Clean & Safe: Yeah, had suspected be increasing the pressure washing to about 3500 to approximately fit 5700. Sidewalks for on an annual basis. And once again, you know that will cover the weekend pressure washing which is not currently part of the budget and part of the growth there within the pressure washing though, as well as the additional security. Personnel and just you know overall increases with salaries and those type of things to be competitive. We are going to be applying for credit to kind of balance out the budget.

Michael Trimble: It's great, that's great stuff, so I guess we before the budget is approved, we'll be able to have another opportunity to make any suggestions or modifications to service for FY23, but I appreciate all your support. Also, Alonzo is going to help support the vending ordinance modification from a cleaning and safety perspective. His support to helping us maintain a no vending zone for the Gaslamp Quarter. Thank you, Alonzo, in advance for being willing to do that. Alright, moving on. Thank you, Alonzo. I see officer Larry Turner. I'd like to welcome you and I'd love to hear an update from the San Diego Police Department.



Officer Larry Turner: Hey, how are you today? I just wanted to let you know that it's been a constant point of discussion as we're looking at bringing more people into the downtown area for patrolling. That's through our regular numbers, or also with the overtime folks that we're increasing, our number of patrols specifically in the Gaslamp, and that's primarily just with the level of violence that has been occurring down there and with the number of homeless related complaints that we've been getting, and it hasn't just been with Central division. So, you if you haven't noticed the additional patrols, it might be just because of the closures of some of the roads on the weekend. There are a larger number of officers out in your area as of the last several weeks and there's no change in the plan soon to you know to modify that at all other than just increasing it some more. I know I had a discussion today about the plans for seeing Patrick's Day both the Saturday the 12th events and the following week when the actual day is and then also with the Mardi Gras events in the Gaslamp. If anybody got anything for me, I could answer any questions.

Michael Trimble: I just have one question; I would like you to elaborate on the safety element that you have experienced with the unregulated food vendors in the Gaslamp Quarter. Have you seen an increase of potential safety hazards? Having these vendors in the in the Gaslamp and the reason why I'm asking is you know we're trying to make the whole Gaslamp at a no vending zone and restrictions that are directly related to objective health, safety or welfare concerns can help you know convince the Council.

Officer Larry Turner": Yeah, I would say the increase has only been because of the increase in the vendors. We're talking primarily about hot dog vendors has been, you know, just as dangerous as each one has always been, but the numbers have been increasing out there, and I'll hear, and I'll read in the Gaslamp enforcement teams. A synopsis of the past weekend's issues where the vendors are crowded after the bars have closed and that you know when you have the intoxicated folks who are then fighting for whose line? It has started some violent incidents as well, but I think that's something that the two like team sergeants would be able to put some numbers together for you because I know that they're good about keeping track of all the incidents that they have encountered up there on the Thursday, Friday, Saturday nights.

Michael Trimble: Excellent, excellent, thank you Officer Turner. Are there any questions?

Pam Schwartz: Yeah, I have a comment more than a question. This is Pam from downtown Ace. Speaking on behalf of retailers. There still is not enough police visibility during the day when we're all open. Shoplifting is out of control, getting more dangerous in the last two weeks I've had one employee pushed assaulted. I had someone pull a gun on somebody right outside the front doors and there's just no visibility. You'd never see officers around our store during the day, ever. In the old days we had a walking team or driving team and they stopped in occasionally that kind of kept it away, but shoplifting is bad everywhere right now.

Officer Larry Turner: Yeah, we we've seen that occur. You know, I could tell you there are folks driving.

Pam Schwartz: I mean in the old days the guys would stop in and I would like show pictures of guys that we've been having issues with and then you can just kind of watch for them on the streets and they used to if they'd see them, they'd stop and say something to them. But there's like none of that relationship anymore.

Officer Larry Turner: I totally agree with you. Before I came to Central Division I was at a slower division where I did that with the store owners and you know, we had a good relationship like that and would hunt down the folks who had just, you know, done a theft there the day before, you know and look in there typically where they would hang out. That's one thing, but I would just tell you that central division. The officers around patrol are usually bouncing from call for service to call for service and have very little time for that proactivity that you're talking about. I would offer myself to you if you've got any photographs of people that you're concerned about. It's kind of interesting that I don't, nobody from the Gaslamp hits me up about that as much as other parts of the city do that are less, you know, crime ridden. Feel free to email me, send me the photos we can talk about it over the phone.



Pam Schwartz: That'd be great, if you could do me a favor, if you could just put your email address in the chat section.

Officer Larry Turner: I'll do that right now.

Carlos Becerra: Larry, it's Carlos from Park. Also, if at some point maybe since B& G on 6th and Broadway is closed, there's a lot of homeless camping out there across from the Courtyard, Marriott, and so they end up just being in this area and some of my staff et cetera, so I don't know if at some point, we can maybe have somebody walk through there and see what's going on that would be great.

Officer Larry Turner: Yeah, where did you say that was again?

Carlos: On 6th and Broadway.

Officer Larry Turner: Got it. Is there anything else?

Michael Trimble: Thank you Officer Turner for your time and coming on and giving us, those updates and I appreciate you and work with you soon. Next, I see Jason Weisz from Tony Atkins office.

Michael Trimble: I want to welcome Jason to the meeting and look forward to an update from him.

Jason Weisz: Thanks Michael, I just wanted to come in and say hi. I know it's been a while since I have been able to attend one of your meetings. For this year, the senator, for her legislative package, she is focusing her efforts on climate change, specifically rising ocean, ocean sea levels.

So, we do have a bill on that. Of course, continuing to address the housing crisis, affordable housing, and housing affordability, and the homeless issue, and to that end, our team will be out there at the point in time. As you know, getting that right count of homeless residents in our communities really determines how much federal funding we will be eligible for. With that I'm happy to take any questions I'll put my contact information in case you don't have it into the chat that way you can email me with any questions you may have regarding state agencies or state laws and thank you.

Michael Trimble: Thank you Jason. Are there any questions for Jason? I just one quick comment or question. I know that you guys are working closely with the city to help support their homeless initiatives. Where does Tony stand on where we're at with the progress the city is made or not made at this time.

Jason Weisz: What we are primarily doing is providing funding for the local governments to use those funds primarily to transform hotels, empty buildings into permanent shelters. So, if there are problems with local governments and being able to use that money, that's something that we will work with the city government, on trying to you know, resolve what hurdles they may have. As we know San Diego wasn't successful in this last pot of money, but hopefully if there are barriers specific to San Diego that we can help alleviate. That's certainly something that Tony wants to address.

Michael Trimble: Well, any help you can give our city officials to help make some change? I know it's very difficult. All the financial support is greatly appreciated, so maybe we can have another one-off conversation about that and work together on coming up with a plan from where we sit on our end.

Aron: Is Tony aware that people booking travel or being told not to send people to San Diego because of the homeless problem San Diego, LA, and San Francisco? Or people are being told not to come here for vacation right now? Trip adviser.

Jason Weisz: No, if you could let me know who's putting that out, I'll drop my email into the chat.



Aron: Yeah, I have a friend that lives in Connecticut, and she books travel for a living, and she got a message board not to send people here because of how bad our homeless problem is. And I don't understand how we're spending all this money and I keep hearing about these pots of money and all I can think of is epic fail on everybody part.

Josefine: The San Diego tourism authority. They told us directly to that they're not. They're telling convention groups not to go through Gaslamp. They're sending them literally due to a homeless problem as well.

Michael Trimble: Well, that's a concern that I'll need to speak directly to the SDTA about it.  
All right, well Jason, thank you so much for your update and we will be reaching out to you and see what we can do to. Alright, that's our liaison reports I did have just a brief update regarding the CPC, the last the CPC meeting. The elections are about ready to happen. Dania has stepped down as the business liaison for Gaslamp Quarter and I've obviously was the residential seat and Eddie Keane who is a property owner and a building owner and someone who wants to join the board is looking to fill the seat for Gaslamp on the next go around so I have a call out to him and just make sure that you know if he wants to do that. He's a developer as well, so it might be a good fit for him to sit on that position. So, more updates on that and if we have Gaslamp Quarter represented during those meetings, I think that's one of the most important things. The Padres redevelopment team was going to present to us the Tailgate Park development, but they ran into some issues, and they will not be able to present. So, I'm looking for an approval for the Minutes from January 26th, 2022. Board of Directors' meetings. So, I'd like to see if anyone would like to make a motion to approve. Anybody?

Jeff Berg: I will make a motion to approve. The Minutes from the January 26.

Michael Trimble: The floor is there a second. OK, second this is Joe. Joe Santo seconds.  
All in favor you raise if you can raise your hand or use the raise your hand button or just raise your hand, that'd be great.

Pam: I am abstaining.

Michael Trimble: Ah OK, Pam abstains. Cindy abstained. OK Steve. Jim approves. Jim approves, OK, Nate, thank you. Howard, approve thank you. OK, it looks like Bruce are you in favor? Yep, Bruce is in favor. OK, looks like it passes with Pam and Cindy abstaining. Thank you very much. I appreciate that. OK, let's move on to the next item. So, I'd like to turn the floor over to Laurel MacFarlane, who has been working to develop a supplemental cleaning presentation.

Laurel McFarlane: Yeah, so you guys had asked us to come back with some more robust equipment. So, we updated the document. This is just a cleaning equipment. Some of the enhancement programs is 2 that we can do, but this is strictly just the equipment, so this was a more robust sweeper. It picks up the trash, as you can see in sweeps which we do need a lot of that, especially along the curb line in different places that there's trash. This is a portable power washer. It's a little bit less, but it does have a handle. This would be doing during normal operating business hours. So, and the street sweeper, we would use when we open the streets you know late at 2:00 AM or 1:00 AM, our crew would come before opening would go through the streets with our sweeper and then we could do early morning too.

Jim Shaw: What are the costs of those items and where are they fitting in the budget?

Laurel McFarlane: The cost of the items was in that other document just two slides down. That's the cost of all the items there. I don't think they're part of the budget. It would be whether we want to do this or not, and we did talk to Dania. So, Dania had mentioned that we could store these in her garage. So, it would be easy for us to pull these out and park them back in the Hilton garage.

Michael Trimble: So, this would be more of a FY23 purchase, so we could put this in the budget.

Jim Shaw: OK, just asking, just asking if it's coming out of 2022 or what are you doing this?



Michael Trimble: I mean honestly, that's open for discussion.

Jim Shaw: Basically, you just need to have a plan. You know where you're going to put that in the budget? If you're going to, if it's a bigger item you know or you need to amend the budget.

Michael Trimble: And we did have a conversation with Alonzo, Howard and I saying that we were we wanted to supplement, you know, with our street closures and things that we're doing currently so. The labor cost Mikey has a question. Why do we have labor costs? Well, that was going to be built into the curbside budget, so that was kind of coming out of something that we're already going to be working with on our FY23 parking budget.

Jeff: I personally think we should. We should do something.

Laurel: You know he's been working on getting all this together so he prices us out for all of us and he would help oversee this along with me.

Michael Trimble: I saw a chat from Mikey that he is looking to have us do fundraiser and or have merchants donate and I think he said he would donate \$1000. Is that right? Is that accurate?

Laurel McFarlane: He said 5K.

Howard: Yeah, why are we donating money? Where's our budget? Where's our money? Do we have money in the bank?

Michael Trimble: Oh, absolutely Howard, we do.

Howard: Good, well, let's use it and start it next week.

Mikey G: Agree, let's just let's just do this.

Howard: I'll make a motion that we that we approve and uh, assuming we have funds available to allocate them to these as soon as possible.

Mikey G: I second the motion.

Howard: Yeah, amended, based on your selection of equipment up to \$25,000.

Laurel: Thank you, yeah, it's perfect.

Michael Trimble: Mike, you will you second that amendment.

Mikey G: yes 100%. I second it.

Michael Trimble: So just to give everyone some comfort and to you Howard and Mike, I just received a down payment for one of our banner programs of \$50,000 yesterday, deposited directly into our bank account. Net profit.

Carlos: Let's spend it.

Michael Trimble: OK, so we have a motion on the floor. We have a second. Is there any more discussion about this item? OK, all in favor.



Jim Shaw: hold on. We'll just amend the budget for whatever year to make sure that it's in the budget. Not a question of us having enough funds. It's just making legally speaking we're only allowed to spend what's in the budget. So just add to it that we will amend the budget for the expenditure if it's in '21 or if it's in '22.

Michael Trimble: OK, so I'm going to add that to the to the motion so the \$25,000 not to exceed. Will also be added to the existing FY22 budget. Any further discussion or comment. Thanks, Laurel. I see a Pam's in favor. Let me see some hands or some. There are some real hands. Jim Shaw favor, Joe, are you in favor? OK, thank you Nate. It's in favor Joe, Aaron, Josephine, Jeff, Carlos, all right. So, any abstentions. Or rejections? Alright, motion carries. Next on the marketing update Jenna.

Jenna: Hi everyone. And so, as you know, we're in the good times start here portion of the campaign that is still our fall winter campaign, so it'll go through April and then we'll launch a new campaign for spring some spring summer start. In May, a few things that I want to talk about today is recapping the last two street activations we had. Hopefully you saw those Valentine's Day and Super Bowl and then we'll also talk about some upcoming activations including Saint Patrick's Day Week, opening day, Easter, as well as our current progress on the national travel Writer Pitch Program. So, Valentine's Day we did a photo op on the street. We did it the Saturday before Valentine's Day. We had pretty good usage for Valentine's Day. 150 photos taken with about 250 users altogether, and 128 emails collected that the GQA now has. It can add to your email list. We do want to incorporate for future activations more of a social sharing component to it where we are challenging people to share their photos on social media and tags and use the correct hashtags to be entered into win some prizes, so that we're getting just the social engagement and shares. So, the following day on Sunday for Super Bowl we had a longer activation. This was from 1:00 to 8:00 PM. It was two large football inflatables and if you were down in the gas side it would it.

Next slide, here's an example of some of the TV coverage football, especially the Super Bowl challenges. Got good coverage from ABC, Fox 5 and CBS 8 all on site that day. Next, Saint Patrick's week, so we were promoting March 12th to March 17th which covers everything from the Saturday before Saint Patrick's Day. That's when Shamrock is happening, as well as another bar and restaurant. Things are starting to happen that weekend and then through March 17th, which is the actual day of Saint Patrick's Day. So that will just be pushing that the Gaslamp is the place to be to celebrate Saint Patrick's Day. We have a media alert that's already started to go out about Saint Patrick's week and then all the graphic assets that you'll see through almost efforts with social media. We have the taste of Gaslamp coming up that will be June 18th in the afternoon. We just started outreach to restaurants. Pending opening day. Saying on the 31st we have the silkscreen machine booked and reserved. This is an onsite silkscreen T shirt company. There will be 4 different designs of T shirts that we are currently working on creating. And then Easter on the next slide. April we are doing a pop-up plant shop. We have found a nursery that is going to bring out plants and pots and they will sell them to consumers. I'm happy to answer any questions.

Michael Trimble: Great stuff Jenna. I really appreciate all your hard work. Anyone questions, comments? Alright, uh, into some meaty stuff vending ordinance update the meeting at City Council. The EDR committee basically met. We had a great showing when they first presented the offending ordinance. 61 public comments. That was three hours of public comment, 21 Gaslamp merchants of basically participated in. We had the CRA endorsed the Gaslamp Quarter as a no vending zone. The Padres have just come on board and endorsed us as a no vending zone. Clean and safe is going to be stepping forward and you know, sharing their numbers of problems that we've had with these vendors. So, I did meet with Stephen Whitburn. I had a long conversation with him, asked him to make a friendly amendment on the 1<sup>st</sup>. Any questions regarding that update? Alright well stay tuned. Fantastic, so OK moving on. The Gaslamp promenade. Update, we had a meeting with the mayor's office, DSD Traffic Engineering and the design team Dania and me and Howard. On Friday the 18th and we went through an agenda of things that we wanted to cover to kind of find out where we are with the project and when we will see some type of action from the city to get this thing started. We've been asked, the clean and safe and me the GQA to develop a memorandum of understanding to be developed and then put into an RFP to go out to companies that determine what kind of cost it would take to have these bollards up and down. Basically, every day 364 days, five days a year. Not all of them will be retractable. Only the four or five in the middle. So, with a total of say,





8085 total bollards, I would say you know close to you know 50 of them if not more. We got an update from MTS of rerouting off 5th Ave. There's still is no resolution. MTS finds it very difficult to come up with a solution. I know the mayor's office been putting a lot of pressure on MTS as well as the county. It was kind of disappointing to find out that they still don't have an answer for us. And except for that, they're working on it. Status of funding that we did confirm that we will be getting that matched fund from the DIFF funding from the downtown diff. So that's 1.5 million, so that makes \$3,000,000 for you know this phase one. We got an update regarding our EDA grant. The decision we made in April and funding was between \$5 million and \$10 million. We were not told what that level of funding will be. We are not actually having to wait for that that grant to be approved to start the phase one, so we're not waiting for money. It's just a matter of getting through traffic and DSD and things of that nature. We will not actually need to be pulling one of those city permits because it's going to be one by the operations and the traffic division. The North End Arch was requested to be part of phase one. I know that Howard is, you know, helped raise some money for that. I have reengaged West Coast signs who fabricated and installed our original sign in the 90s and did the update and the facelift in the mid-90s so we're waiting on a quote for fabricating the North End, North End of Arch and last time we got a quote for them it was about \$320,000. All in installed, so I'm sure it's going to be more than that, you know, since it's been a few years so waiting on that quote and we'll get that to the city, and we see get them to put that on the list to get that thing started. Plus, the existing Archway is going to be repaired and retrofitted to lead in FY23. This is another project that parking meter revenue can help offset so we can keep our Gaslamp arch lit and looking like it should not with burned out neon. Most of the bulbs being burned out, so we're going to be getting a quote from West Coast signs as well as a few other companies. When we go to RFP to make sure that we get the right company in there and do it correctly. We're going to be meeting monthly, starting obviously this month. We're meeting in mid-March and we're waiting on the mayor's office for a press conference date to announce the construction. Any questions? Alright, it's exciting stuff.

Howard: Hey Michael, can I ask you a quick question? So, on the existing sign that's not working properly now. Are we getting that repaired or are we waiting to do the conversion to the LED?

Michael Trimble: You know, obviously a request for funds for FY23 to retrofit it. All right, let's move on. This will go quickly on these special events. The fees were going to increase by 120% not in FY23 but in FY24. And we had a big showing of public comment of nonprofits and event producers. And you know individuals that this would affect our special events, future in Gaslamp and in San Diego.

At the end of the day, there was a motion made by Doctor Jen and seconded by Stephen Whitburn. Not to eliminate these fees, but to adjust the time as the fees will go up. So instead of getting 120% increase in FY24, they're going to spread that over a six-year period and then be able to adjust.

Alright, so Jim Shaw. I was asked by Dania to share some PNL's from this July 2021 through December 2021. Jim is not ready to go over these numbers, but I sent them out to you yesterday. So, we're in a good financial position. It's only about five months of the year, but I don't know if people had a chance to review them. It came out yesterday evening as my apologies for not getting them out sooner, but I was not able to do that because Jim wasn't available to help, and I got Mary to do it for us.

And so really, I just want to make sure you guys know that we're in a good financial position. Like I mentioned, I just closed another banner deal for \$50,000. It's like \$65,000 so and booked another one. For April as well, so there's a lot of revenue coming into the association and our parking meter revenues are continuing to go up, and so we're in a good spot there. Jim, any comments, or any anything you'd like to add?

Jim Shaw: No, I just didn't get a chance to review. I've been pretty much swamped. Our business has been increasing quite a bit and I don't know if it's public yet, but I have told Michael and Dania that I will be retiring at the end of June. After almost 30 years seating on the board, and so I wish you all best of luck, but I will be here until June. I'm going to help Michael build the new budget and hopefully find a new treasurer for everybody.

Michael Trimble: Well, we'll miss you Jim for sure. You started in 1993, the longest tenured board member. Thanks, Jim, for all your help and all your support and I look forward to working with you on future budgets and we'll get you more updates. Unless there's any questions we can move on to the next item. This is old business. The Gaslamp Quarter Historical Foundation has reached out and asked us for support and sponsorship for their fundraiser. Shamrock happening





on in March, so this is what they've asked of the GQA and what they would provide. It's more of a discussion item for the board. Whether we would like to support Shamrock. I know we have supported them on advertising, so we've been a partner for them to make sure that they, you know, can help sell tickets. This is a fundraiser for keeping the historical foundation afloat.

Jeff: I think we should support it. We've supported them in the past.

Jim Shaw: Good thing to do.

Jeff: I like to make a motion. That we support this event as they requested.

Michael Trimble As stated in the in the slide Jeff that the \$5000 level.

Jeff: Yes, as they request.

Michael Trimble: Is there a second?

Alonzo- Clean & Safe: I consent to that.

Laurie: I'll 2nd.

Michael Trimble Is there any discussion? We'd like to discuss anything regarding this opportunity to help support our sister organization.

Howard: How are their financials in general?

Michael Trimble: They had some shaky times they you know they didn't open for over a year, so this is really they basically rely on this one fundraiser to operate.

Howard: They're always short on money, but I never see anything except a, you know, an envelope that comes out once a year asking for donations. So, I was wondering if there isn't something they could actively do to.

Jim Shaw: I mean on Friday and Saturday nights whenever.

Michael Trimble: I mean, I can bring it to her attention.

Laurie Peters: Should we have a liaison to their board so that we know what's going on?

Michael Trimble: I'd be happy to reach out to them and see if I can be the liaison between our two organizations.

Laurie Peters: To find out how they're doing. We don't want them just closing.

Michael Trimble: Unless you're volunteering.

Laurie Peters: I'll do it. Be happy to do it. Do you want me to reach out?

Michael Trimble: I'll do that, and then we'll set up a conference call, yeah.

Laurie Peters: OK, happy to do it.

Michael Trimble: Is there any more discussion about the Shamrock sponsorship? OK, so we have a motion on the floor to support the Shamrock event as stated and amended that the \$5000 be built into the existing budget for the GQA. So, I have Jeff has made the motion and Lori is second is their all-in favor. Hey Jeff, Cindy Howard Josephine Aaron Lori. Steve, OK Kim, thank you. Joe, Bruce. Nate thanks buddy. All right, well with Mikey G abstaining. The motion carries and we will be supporting the Shamrock event. Thank you very much.



Michael Trimble: All right, I have one announcement and I wanted to let everyone know that Pam on the Executive Board has decided to step down from the Board of directors. After many, many years of service and support of the organization, I want to thank her for all her dedication to our organization into the neighborhood. But I want to just thank you for everything you've done for me personally and for the organization over the years, so I want to hand it to you, if you wanted to say anything.

Pam: No, thank you, I appreciate that.

Michael Trimble: All right, any other business before we adjourn. Alright, well thank you everyone. I appreciate it. Executive board meeting the 23rd and Board of Directors on the 30th. Thank you.

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**MEETING ADJOURNMENT – Michael adjourned meeting**  
**zoom meeting ended: 1 hour 31 minutes**