



## General Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Facilitated by: Marjorie Ogilvie, President of the Board

Location: Philadelphia Business & Technology Center, 5070 Parkside Ave., Suite 2400

Time: 8:30am – 10:00am

Attendees: Andre Andrews, Patrice Banks, Ozie Bailey, Shonte Eley, Pam Evans, Art Fastman, Police Officer Gramlich, Marla S. Hamilton, Cassandra Hayes, Gigi Knecht, Marjorie Ogilvie, NazAarah Sabree, Keith Splawn, Sarah Stirzel Cuzzolina, Calvin R. Tucker

### Agenda:

- I. Call to Order
- II. Welcome and Regrets: Paul Brauer & Robert Zakian *Marjorie Ogilvie*
- III. New Business:
  - i. Organizational Update
    - i. Committee Meeting Structure
      1. We have now merged committee meeting with the general meeting. There will no longer be meetings on every other month.
    - ii. New Year for Organization
      1. We will be starting the new fiscal year on July 1<sup>st</sup>.
      2. We also have some new officers in particular, the President of the Board, Paul Brauer. Marjorie Ogilvie will continue as a Vice President.
  - ii. Issues & Goals
    - i. DNC Procurement Opportunities: See Handout
      1. Check online for a connection to the vendor application page for the DNC
      2. Sarah will continue to update the Association with new opportunities
    - ii. City Taxes: 7.1% increase Use & Occupancy Tax
      1. It would be useful to only have to pay BUO's annually instead of monthly.
      2. Paying online now is difficult especially if problems arise.
    - iii. Other Concerns
  - iii. 19<sup>th</sup> District: Crime Prevention *Officer Francis Gramlich*

Philadelphia Police Department

    - i. Please remind clients and guests to not keep valuables in their car.
    - ii. What is the process for dealing with illegal dumping
      1. Neighborhood Service unit



2. Cameras connected to Sam Cam

- iv. PIDC Small Business Programs *Marla Hamilton*
  - Philadelphia Industrial Development Corporation
    - i. Small Business loans
    - ii. Sell land
    - iii. \$10,000 small villages
    - iv. Community Development Entity and can offer tax credit
  
- v. Loan Program *Calvin Tucker*
  - West Philadelphia Financial Services Institution
    - i. Loan opportunities
    - ii. Courses in prepping for loans
  
- IV. Business Events (unaffiliated with BAWP):
  - i. June 17<sup>th</sup> – Trademark Basics
  - ii. June 17<sup>th</sup> – Small Business Legal Clinic
  
- V. Area Events:
  - i. June 18<sup>th</sup> – RCO Meeting
  - ii. June 19<sup>th</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Sickle Cell Champion Blood Drive
  - iii. June 26<sup>th</sup> – Clean up at Evans Recreation Center
  - iv. July 8<sup>th</sup> – Public Safety Meeting
  - v. July 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> District PDAC Fun Day
  - vi. October 5<sup>th</sup> – Golf Outing
  
- VI. Round Robin – Business Introductions and Updates
  
- VII. **Next Meeting:**
  - i. Thursday, **July 2nd, 2015** – NO MEETING
  - ii. Thursday, **July 16th** – Board Meeting, 8:30am – 10:00am