



Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy Nominating Committee Meeting

Monday, August 9, 2021 – 4:00-5:00pm

This meeting occurred via Zoom Video Conference due to suspension of the provision of the Open Meeting Law requiring an in-person quorum by an order signed by Governor Charles Baker on March 12, 2020 due to COVID-19

Meeting Minutes

Board Members in Attendance: Brad Snyder, Rebecca Lee, John Shea, Doug Husid, Robertstone Goodridge

Board Members Absent:

Conservancy Staff Present: Chris Cook, Alex Rogers Pittman, Katie Wright

Invited Guests Present: Gwen Cochran Hadden

Open Session

Nominating Committee Chair Brad Snyder called the meeting to order in Open Session with a quorum present via Zoom at 4:07pm.

1. Mr. Snyder welcomed all to the meeting and called for a motion to approve the minutes from the April 13, 2021 meeting of the Nominating Committee. **Upon a motion made by Rebecca Lee and seconded by Doug Husid, the minutes were unanimously approved.**
2. Snyder welcomed Gwen Cochran Hadden, who conducted a training session on models of diversity in organizations. The committee concluded after the training that the next board meeting should include an overview of all of the DEI work that has been done since Gwen Cochran Hadden started working with the Conservancy.
3. Snyder called for a motion to enter Executive Session to conduct preliminary screening of candidates for Board membership. **Upon a motion made by Rebecca Lee and seconded by John Shea, the Committee unanimously voted to enter Executive Session.**

Executive Session

4. The Committee reviewed the slate of current prospects, discussing prospects' relationships to the Conservancy, backgrounds, and specific skillsets that would contribute to the Conservancy's work. Mr. Cook updated the committee on discussions he has had with two potential candidates. There was also discussion on who might be appropriate to recommend to the BID as their nominee. Cook explained to the committee

that it is unclear to him whether the BID would be open to a representative who is not a member of the BID board, and agreed to follow up with BID staff on this matter. Mr. Shea gave an update on a potential board member who is affiliated with a BID member company and brings a skillset in Diversity & Inclusion. This individual could be a candidate for either the open BID or Conservancy seat. As a first step, he will invite the candidate on a walk in the park to discuss the opportunity.

Upon a motion made by Doug Husid and seconded by John Shea, the Committee unanimously voted to leave Executive Session.

Open Session

5. Snyder reiterated that the nominating committee will find the right candidates for the board with much thought and care. Shea requested a list of the companies in the BID, which Cook agreed to procure from BID staff and circulate to the committee.
6. No members of the public were present for comments.

The Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy Nomination Committee meeting was adjourned, upon a motion made by Bradley Synder and seconded by John Shea at 5:35 pm.