

College District Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday 9.5.2024

Present: Phil Wasta, Kevin Platz, Barb Tupper, Olivia Brown, Lt. Omar

- Approve 8.1.24 minutes- Motion by Tupper, 2nd by Platz, approved unanimously.
- Treasurer's Report
 - Checking- 8,325
 - Savings- 4,413
 - District Dollars- 751
 - Certificate of Deposit- 5,314
- CRPD Update- Lt. Omar reviewed updated crime statistics. Overall, trends are still positive. Even though there were a few shots fired on a recent weekend, the average is still low. Shoplifting has shifted from 1st Avenue Hy-Vee to 1st Avenue Casey's. More letters of trespass are being written as a result of homeless people being reported by property owners. Traffic stops are resulting in additional drug/narcotics arrests as well as warrant arrests.
- Social Media Promotion Update- Wasta reported that Wagner posted 6 total posts in the month of August highlighting Watts Group, F&M Bank, Khairallah Investment, and three different posts related to the Presidents' Reception.
- Recap 2024 Presidents' Reception- We had 42 attendees. All agreed that the event was a success. Wasta shared that he received several positive responses to his 'Thank you for attending' message. Venue, food and drinks were great and messages from presidents were well received.
- Potential Topics/Locations for 11/14 Large Group Meeting- The group discussed potential locations. CRAAR is not available that day. Karen Kurt at ECICOG offered their conference room, but it only seats 20. Wasta will check to see if the City of Cedar Rapids will be ready to provide and update on the 1st Avenue East Micro Area Action Plan on 11/14. Tupper will check to see if the Clark Alumni House is available.
- Other Business
 - Wasta informed everyone that the City is moving ahead with converting Coe Road to 2-way traffic from A Avenue NE to F Avenue NE. The City, Coe College, St. Luke's, MedQuarter, and College District are all involved in the planning and implementation. Targeted conversion is October of this year. Once timing is known, all parties will be engaged to inform their respective employees, students, stakeholders, etc. to lessen the surprise.
- Adjourn

Next Board meeting: Thursday, October 3rd @ First Ave Executive Suites 1233 1st Ave SE

Phil Wasta

College District President