

Fletcher Place Neighborhood Association

Meeting Agenda/Minutes

March 12, 2019 - 7 p.m.

Mission Statement:

Preservation, revitalization and the promotion of the neighborhood as a walkable community of the City of Indianapolis known as historic Fletcher Place, with the goal of creating a total urban community while maintaining a respect for the past.

Call to Order (7 p.m.):

- A. Introductions and welcome of new attendees
 - List of attendees below at the end of these minutes. Association President Dawn Olsen chaired the meeting.
- B. Last meeting's minutes
 - February 12, 2019 minutes approved.

Committee and Representative Reports:

- A. Finance / Audit - Sarah Savage
 - Savage distributed the **attached** financial statement and covered a few key items.
- B. Membership - Dennis Carr
 - Carr gave a membership report, including renewal (6), new (4), and new business (2) members since the February meeting. We now have 106 individual members and 14 business members. Alex Neff from Hotel Tango spoke about HT's current business and its future plans – we hope to have more neighborhood businesses come to Association meetings and talk about what they do.
- C. Social / Events - Sarah Savage
 - Savage gave a social report, including mentioning the upcoming events listed below.
- D. Gateway – Jeff Brown
 - Brown continued his update from last month on the Gateway sign project for Virginia Avenue.
- E. Urban Times Parchment – Glenn Blackwood
 - Glenn Blackwood was not present, but Sarah Savage mentioned the neighborhood home tour coming up in May or June. Dawn Olsen is writing a description of how residents can research the history of their homes. Olsen is also taking over part of Andy Howard's route for delivery.
- F. Southeast Neighborhood Congress - Rauf Khalid
 - Khalid was not present, but others mentioned the crime reduction symposium on March 28.
- G. Keep Indianapolis Beautiful - Bryan Truex
 - Truex solicited help on the adopt a block program.

- H. Land Use / IHPC / COA – Trinity Hart, Larry Peffer
 - The Committee described a public notice of a conversion of a garage into a house at the corner of College and Lexington.
- I. HUNI - Jim Lingenfelter
 - The neighborhoods won the digital billboard fight in the City-County council!
- J. Kids' Association
 - If any neighbor is interested in helping with the Kids' Association, please contact any member of the Board of Directors.

Regular Guests:

- Ike McCoy - Mayor's Neighborhood Advocate
 - McCoy answered questions on a whole range of things after handing out flyers on several important Mayor initiatives.
 - Mayor Sponsored Charter Schools board member recruitment
 - Police body cams
 - Project Indy
 - Summer lifeguarding and counselors for teens/youths
- Officer Kim Evans – IMPD
 - Evans gave a report on three incidents since the last meeting, the need for all of us to do a better job on the dog waste front, and the wisdom of everyone keeping track of the serial numbers on electronic equipment, bikes, etc. We can file police reports at www.crimereport.com
- Jefferson Shreve - District 16 City - County Councilor – **Didn't attend**
- Justin Moed – District 97 State Representative – **Didn't attend**

Old Business:

- A. FPNA website
 - Savage continued her report from the last meeting on the Association's ongoing project to update and improve our website.
- B. L.P.S. 31
 - Laura Giffel handed out the James A. Garfield School 31 Community Survey **attached** and encouraged everyone to give input.
- C. SEND Economic Development Committee
- D. Rethink 65/70 Coalition
 - Charlie Richardson gave a report on the Coalition's work and handed out the **attached** Update to Supporters

New Business:

- A. New FPNA board members
 - As discussed at the last Association meeting, we have two vacancies on the Board of Directors. The current Board will recommend people to fill those vacancies before the April Association meeting.
- B. Improved pedestrian safety at Prospect & Morris
 - Laura Giffel gave a summary of the safety plans of INDOT.

Other Guests: - All three candidates spoke about what they want to accomplish if elected.

- A. Laura Giffel – District 16 City-County Council candidate
- B. Patrick Wagner – District 16 City-County Council candidate
- C. Kristin Jones – District 16 City-County Council candidate

Adjourn (8 p.m.)

Mark Your Calendar:

March 20 – Game Night @ Wine Market, 7 p.m.

April 16 – Dinner with Neighbors (BYO food) @ Tappers, 6:30 p.m.

May/June – Home tour being planned by Savage and others

Attendees:

Courtney & JD Bills
Jeff Brown
Dennis Carr
Georgia Cravey
Kim Evans
Laura Giffel
Trinity Hart
Chris Huckaba
Matt & Allissa Impink
Kristin Jones
Jim Lingenfelter
Lori Ludwig
Ike McCoy
Erin & Andreas McGrew

Gabriel & Ashly Myers
Jeffrey Miller
Alex Neff
Dawn Olsen
Larry & Rhonda Peffer
John & Laura Pickett
Ron & Sylvia Reichel
Charlie Richardson
Sarah Savage
Gretchen Syverud
Mitch Vogel
Patrick Wagner
Jeff & Deb Zartman

Charlie Richardson, Secretary

	2018 Actual	2019 Budget	January	February
Revenue				
Membership	\$1,876	\$2,000	\$715	\$1,255
Merchandise Sales	\$56	\$100	\$6	\$51
Sponsorship (Picnic T-shirts)		\$1,000		
Neighborhood USA Prize Sponsorship (FP Tote Bag)		\$400		
Home Tour				
<i>Tickets</i>		\$3,000		
<i>Sponsorship</i>		\$1,000		
Total	\$1,932	\$7,500	\$721	\$1,306
Expenses				
Contributions / Support	\$1,115			
<i>HUNI</i>		\$15	\$30	\$30
<i>KIB</i>		\$500		
<i>SECS</i>		\$100		
<i>Lacy Park</i>		\$500		
<i>National Night Out</i>		\$35	\$35	\$35
Improvement Projects	\$947			
<i>Ash Borer Tree Treatment</i>		\$450		
<i>Fletcher Woods</i>		\$20		
Yard Sale				
<i>Ad</i>		\$60		
<i>Map Printing</i>		\$25		
<i>Banner</i>	\$65	\$300		
Merchandise				
<i>FP Totes</i>		\$400		
<i>Picnic T-Shirts</i>		\$1,000		
Operating Expenses	\$369			
<i>Website</i>		\$325		
<i>Paypal fees</i>			\$14	\$14
Marketing / Public Relation	\$430			
<i>Urban Times Ad for Business</i>		\$430		
Home Tour				
<i>Supplies</i>		\$50		
<i>Printing</i>		\$950		
<i>Insurance</i>		\$250		
<i>Marketing</i>		\$300		
Social Activities	\$507			
<i>Annual Meeting</i>		\$120	\$122	\$122
<i>Membership Meetings</i>		\$0		
<i>National Night Out</i>		\$100		
<i>Picnic</i>				
<i>Flyer (Urban Times or door)</i>		\$65		
<i>Food</i>		\$200		
<i>Entertainment</i>		\$250		
<i>Kids' Halloween</i>		\$100		
<i>Holiday Party</i>		\$150		
<i>Special Event</i>		\$50		
Other	\$165			
Total	\$3,598	\$6,745	\$201	\$201
Net Cash Change	-\$1,666	\$755		
Beginning Cash	\$10,616	\$8,949		
Ending Cash	\$8,949	\$9,704		

Kids Club				
Beginning Balance	\$294	\$89	\$89	\$89
Receipts				
<i>Poetry Books</i>	\$135			
Expenditures				
<i>T-Shirts</i>	\$340			
Ending Balance	\$89	\$89		

Gateway Fund				
Beginning Balance	\$5,393	\$5,117	\$5,393	\$5,117
Donations	\$100			
FPNA Donation	\$500	\$500		
Expenditures	\$876			
<i>Mulch</i>		\$250		
<i>Mowing</i>		\$600		
<i>Decor</i>		\$25		
<i>Insurance</i>		\$54	\$108	\$108
Ending Balance	\$5,117	\$4,688		

Total Ending Cash	\$14,156	\$14,482		
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James A. Garfield School 31 Community Survey

In a partnership between local neighborhood associations, current school staff, IPS administration and school board members, we are seeking feedback on the future of James A. Garfield School 31. Our hope with this effort is to provide feedback to IPS on the community's desire for the school and ensure that input is considered. At this time, James A. Garfield School 31 is not on a closure list and this survey is a proactive measure. This information will be summarized and presented to the school board and in future community forums.

What is your connection to James A. Garfield School 31?

- Current Family
- Future Family
- Community Member
- Staff Member
- Other:

By August 2020, how many school aged children (Ages 5-14) will be in your house?

- 0
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5+

How would you rate James A. Garfield School 31 currently?

	1	2	3	4	5	
Poor	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Exceptional

Comment:

How would you rate your understanding of the IPS school options (neighborhood, choice, innovation or charter)?

	1	2	3	4	5	
I am unsure.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	I feel confident.

Comment:

When enrolling your child into a school, what factors are most important to you? (Check all that apply)

- School Grade from the State
- Building Condition
- Proximity to School
- Community involvement
- Transportation options
- Peers/Friends attending the school
- Academic Focus (arts, STEM, civics, music, etc)
- Association with a University
- Teaching methodology
- Other:

What would your preference be for James A. Garfield School 31 in the future?

- Stay neighborhood school
- Innovation
- Choice (formally magnet)
- Charter

If James A. Garfield School 31 were to become a choice option what models would interest you? (check all that apply)

- Center for Inquiry
- Montessori
- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math)
- Arts and Humanities
- Project Based/Service Learning
- Environmental
- Other:

Do you have any additional questions or comments?

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Update to Supporters

OVER THE LAST TWO MONTHS the **Rethink 65/70 Coalition Leaders** have been **busy conducting a series of meetings and presentations** with business leaders, business associations, civic leaders, city-county councilors, state legislators, the staffs of our federal Senators and Congressman, as well as representatives of our state government. We continue to educate and explain the enormous benefits of the Recessed Highway Reconstruction concept we developed for the downtown Inner Loop with the help of the economic impact analysis conducted by Arup Advisors, Inc.



In virtually every meeting and presentation, people come away excited about the potential to turn a necessary highway reconstruction project into a transformative public asset, reconnecting our urban core and serving as a catalyst for economic development for the next five decades.



A recessed, open-air interstate would handle pass-through traffic while collector lanes would reconnect with the city's original grid for local traffic, freeing up land for additional economic development.

The Crossroads of America is at its Own Crossroads

We can either rebuild highways based on outdated thinking, or we can use 21st century innovations to prioritize economic development and quality of life.

The State is moving forward with its design to reconstruct the North Split, where I-65 and I-70 come together at the northeast corner of the downtown Inner Loop. The Rethink Coalition agrees that many of the bridges in the "Spaghetti Bowl" are near the end of their expected useful life and need to be replaced. We don't object to replacing the interchange.

Our concern is that the reconstructed North Split not prohibit the future connection to a recessed highway on the north and east legs of the Inner Loop. Our study of the State's Alternative 4c design leads us to believe that the State's current design does indeed prohibit the reasonable connection to a recessed highway in the future. **Thus, we are asking the State to change its design at the west and south transition points of Alternative 4c to reasonably accommodate a future recessed highway connecting to the North Split on the north and east legs of the Inner Loop.**

Obviously, we believe the recessed highway approach to reconstructing the downtown Inner Loop holds tremendous value to the city and state for decades to come. But we are not asking the State to commit to a recessed highway at this time. We are simply asking that that option not be eliminated by the design and construction of the current North Split project.

We have the chance to transform the core of our Capital City for the next generation and truly compete with peer cities for the best companies, jobs, and talented people. We cannot let the current North Split design prohibit the best Inner Loop reconstruction for the future.

The leadership team still has more interesting and important meetings and presentations coming up in the next few weeks. We should know by then whether reason can prevail, and the North Split project can accommodate a future recessed highway design for the Inner Loop. If not, we will be back to you and it will be time to dial up our voices to **REBUILD IT RIGHT**.