

ANC6A Community Outreach Committee

Minutes - April 21, 2014

Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith Annex, 1235 C Street NE

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Committee members present: Elizabeth Nelson (Chair), Jean Kohanek, Rose Williams, Louis Barbash, Maurice Cook (quorum)

Committee members absent: Gladys Mack, Pat Joseph

Community members present: Veronica Hollmon and Heather Schoell (Eliot-Hine PTO)

- I. Agenda
Adopted.

- II. Ms. Heather Schoell presented the grant application from Eliot-Hine Middle School (MS) Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) for \$300.00 for picnic tables to be used as part of an outdoor classroom installation that will also include edible gardens, stormwater mitigation and a birds/butterflies garden. A drawing of the proposed installation is included in the grant application. A professional landscape designer, Anya Zamudska, donated her services to create the plans. Living Classrooms (a non-profit organization) is partnering with Eliot-Hine to present environmental science experiences.
 1. Ms. Williams asked if the Living Classrooms program is already underway. Yes, this is the first year of the program at Eliot-Hine. It is part of the science curriculum. More “hands on” experiences are an expected part of the International Baccalaureate (IB) program at Eliot-Hine. However, DCPS funding is not available for the outdoor classroom project.
 2. Mr. Barbash asked why only \$300.00 was requested when \$400.00 will be needed to purchase four tables.
There is a \$300.00 limit on mini-grant applications. The PTO can raise the additional funds and, in any case, would be able to use three tables until a fourth is obtained.
 3. Ms. Kohanek asked how the tables will be secured.
They will be behind a locked fence and will be chained together.
 4. The committee members agreed that the proposal met all the grant guidelines and that the program would be an excellent use of ANC 6A funding.
 5. Ms. Kohanek moved (seconded by Ms. Williams) that:
The COC recommends that ANC 6A approve \$300.00 in support of the Eliot-Hine PTO request for picnic tables for an outdoor classroom. The measure passed 5-0-0

- III. The draft grant application from the Miner Elementary School (ES) PTO was withdrawn by the applicant and will likely be resubmitted for COC consideration in May.

- IV. Confirmation of next meeting date.
The next meeting will be held Monday, May 19, 7 p.m. at Maury ES, 1250 Constitution Avenue NE (enter from 200 block of 13th St.)

- V. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.