

Vision Implementation Committee
Minutes, July 18, 2007
Approved September 20, 2007

Members Present: Austin Bliss, Joseph Crugnale, Vinnie DiNovellis, Kirk Hazlett, Sara Oaklander, Jennifer Page, Paul Santos, Paul Solomon

Members Absent: Ann Rittenburg

Note: Decisions and next steps appear in bold print.

1. Administrivia

The minutes of the May 17, 2007, meeting of the Vision Implementation Committee were read and approved.

The minutes of the June 21, 2007, meeting of the Vision Implementation Committee were read and approved.

2. Welcome

Acting Chair Kirk Hazlett welcomed the attendees and thanked them for taking time from their busy schedules to participate on the Belmont Vision 21 Implementation Committee (VIC).

Kirk next welcomed the newest member of the VIC, Joseph Crugnale. Joseph is a Northeastern University graduate who is currently working as an Intern in the Somerville Mayor's Office of Planning and Development. Other Committee members also introduced themselves and provided a brief personal background.

Sara Oaklander offered to send Joseph back copies of Committee minutes so that he could bring himself up to date on activities, initiatives and areas of concern.

3. VIC Chair

Discussion focused on the current VIC chair vacancy and potential leadership, with members agreeing that the best course of action would be to continue assessing the position as new Committee members are appointed.

With this as a backdrop, Acting Chair Kirk Hazlett was unanimously elected as VIC chair. He thanked the Committee for its support and made one request which was that all Committee members participate in representing the VIC when possible at various meetings as he will not be able to attend them all. He emphasized, however, that if and when there is a meeting at which his attendance as VIC chair is essential, that he would attend if so advised.

4. Meet Belmont

Jennifer Page provided new Committee member Joseph Crugnale with background on Meet Belmont, which is scheduled for Thursday, August 23, at Belmont High School.

Jennifer went on to say that letters are being sent to potential exhibitors, and that Laurie Graham is doing the poster/flyer/postcard design. However, she said, someone is needed to handle production of the materials. (Note: Austin Bliss volunteered to oversee this.)

Kirk said that he would take care of writing and sending news releases to the local media including the Belmont Citizen-Herald, Belmont Shopper, and Boston Globe Northwest using last year's articles as a template.

In addition, information would be provided to Belmont Cablevision, the Town of Belmont for its Website, and the Belmont Yahoo Listserv.

Among the tasks that were assigned to various Committee members are the following:

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| a. Flyer posting | All |
| b. Media relations | Kirk Hazlett |
| c. Postcard addressing | TBD |
| d. Sandwich board construction/placement | Paul Santos (T) |
| e. Poster/flyer/postcard production | Austin Bliss |

The date of Thursday, July 26, was tentatively set as the evening on which any Committee members who were available would convene in the Flett Room of the Belmont Public Library to address and prepare postcards for mailing to all new Belmont residents.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kirk Hazlett & Sara Oaklander
Secretaries Pro Tempore