

Vinson Fund Committee

Meeting Minutes

October 6, 2015

Present: Sharon McGrane, Kathy Ahlenslager, Tracy Baum, Dorothy Bergin- City Council Rep.

Update of members contact information: Sharon provided this and it is attached to these minutes. There are two committee vacancies for in-city members.

Banners: The City Council approved the request for the Vinson fund to purchase two banners. The committee decided on the style with a legged base (7' Razer Sail design) and Sharon will get sandbags for the base for extra weight. Colville Sign is making them. These signs can be used at Vinson funded events.

New cover page and application form: This has been put on the Vinson web site along with the logo and Robert Vinson information. Tracey suggested putting a date at the bottom of the application page since we will likely update it in the future. Sharon will speak to the Clerk's office.

AAUW/Coffee House funding application: This was approved by the City Council.

Vinson Committee role in reviewing and submitting funding requests/City Council role: The committee spent time discussing our functions related to the Vinson Fund ordinance and the role of City Council members. The committee would like further clarification related to the letter from Schuerman and McGrane to the City Council dated 7/22/15 and what action has been taken. Anne Lawson and Dorothy Bergin were asked by the members to take these concerns to Mayor Janke.

Ideas generated by the committee for events: The committee spent time discussing future events. Allen Stone was determined to be beyond the financial reach of the fund. The Spokane Symphony is still on the table for a performance. Tracy discussed some of her ideas about how to expand the scope of the Corn Maze and will speak with the owner.

Next meeting is 11/7/15.

Agenda items:

Discussion of a funding request by Kathy A.

Review of funded projects over 2015, evaluation and ideas for how to proceed in reviewing applications in 2016