

SAC MEETING NOTES

November 9, 2017

SAC MEMBERS PRESENT:

IHOR AMBROZIAK, YURI BOYECHKO, TATYANA BONDARCHUK, SEMION GURVICH, NELI SALVADOR, OLGA PARKER, ANDRII NAGORNY, TAMARA BURKOVSKAIA, BILL RICHARD, ANDREY SHULIK.

PPB MEMBERS:

NATASHA HAUNSPERGER, DAVE GOLLIDAY, GREG BUDEY,

SAC GUEST APPEARANCE:

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NOT PRESENT:

MAX GRISHKEVICH, COMMANDER BRIAN PARMAN, LANA DINGMAN, KARINA RUTOVA, IRENE KONEV, SLAVICA JOVANOVIC, JASON PIERCE, NIKOLAY HRISTOV, OLEKSIY BAYDALA

MEETING NOTES:

Officer Haunsperger announced that this would be the last meeting she would run. Beginning next month, meetings will be run by Chair Boyechko or Vice-Chair Ambroziak.

Office Haunsperger then called for a voice vote to confirm Chair Boyechko and Vice-Chair Ambroziak to these positions. Ms. Bondarchuk stated that she had been contacted by a member of the Russian community who stated concerns about Mr. Boyechko as Chair because of an alleged anti-Russian article or articles in KANON Magazine. A lively discussion ensued in which Chair Boyechko said he is Ukrainian but denied having published any anti-Russian articles in KANON. Several other members downplayed the issue and spoke in support of Mr. Boyechko as Chair, and added that disagreements with an article should not prevent or hinder the council's work.

Chair Boyechko and Vice-Chair Ambroziak were confirmed.

Officer Haunsperger introduced the following draft revised Mission Statement and Vision Statement for the SAC:

MISSION STATEMENT: "To foster mutually beneficial relationships between the Slavic Community and the Portland Police Bureau by promoting human values, access to justice, and intercultural education and empowerment."

VISION: “To inspire the Slavic community members and Portland Police Bureau Members to join together to build and maintain a safe and prosperous community for Portland’s future generations.”

The proposed Mission Statement and Vision will be translated into all targeted Slavic languages, after which the revisions will be discussed and considered (likely at the December meeting).

Officer Haunsperger proceeded with the remaining agenda items.

- Launch of the new and revised Slavic Advisory Council website will be forthcoming soon.
- The SAC remains open for new member applications until November 25. Applications should be forwarded to Officer Haunsperger.
- Karina Rutova and Bill Richard are the new SAC scribes and will share responsibility for all meeting notes going forward.
- Tamara Burkovskaia, Nikolay Hristov and Bill Richard will form the new media and messaging team.
- There was a lively discussion of rotating SAC meeting sites. Tamara Burkovskaia and Olga Parker offered the new ROSS office and the Lutheran Community Services site as potential SAC meeting sites.
- There was lively discussion of the draft SAC work group template. Members agreed to bring suggestions for work groups and draft work plans to the next meeting. Some potential work groups include:

Drug and alcohol prevention

Family violence

Crime prevention and community safety

Traffic safety

Education

Graduation rates

Resources for families

Elder services

- Olga Parker suggested that, once we have a list of work groups/committees, we should do an outreach to other city and county bodies to inform them of said work groups/committees.
- Officer Haunsperger reminded all members that they must complete a “ride-along” within the next 6 months.

- It was suggested that the first *media outreach* should be *How to Drive Safely During the Holiday Season*.

The next meeting will be December 14 from 5:30 to 7:00 pm at East Precinct Community Room. Members are asked to bring a potluck dinner dish. This meeting, along with the potluck dinner, will be our SAC Holiday Party.