

RIVER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
Board Meeting Notes
March 19th, 2026
7:30 pm

1. **Roll Call and Agenda Approval** – Meeting came to order, a quorum was established, and the agenda was approved.

2. **Neighborhood Watch** – Rex Hescoock

Rex shared that there was no crime or issues of concern to report in River Park during the past month.

3. **2026 4th of July Events** – Lisa Cirill and Karla Mendoza

Lisa Cirill reported that planning for the 2026 Fourth of July events is underway and that she is currently seeking volunteers. She is planning to coordinate with the soccer and baseball teams regarding participation in the parade. The Mother's Club will assist with the bike contest and parade. Rex Hescoock offered to provide three volunteers and volunteered to check on available supplies at Dollar Tree.

It was noted that all high school students have volunteer hour requirements, which may provide an additional source of event support. Patti Martin arranged for the donation of 45 A-frames from Granite Construction.

Lisa shared that, in the article for the *RP Review*, she is soliciting volunteer support for off-duty police and security. She has also invited golf carts to participate at the tail end of the parade. In terms of food vendors, she noted that there is currently a heavy concentration of gyro vendors and no pizza trucks. New vendors for this year include JuJus Burgers, a shaved ice and ice cream truck, and Chando's Tacos.

Lisa also stated that efforts are ongoing to reopen the access road adjacent to Glenn Hall. In addition, the group discussed the need for someone to work with Lisa in an apprentice capacity to support event planning and continuity in future years.

Lisa plans to attend the Scottish Rite Pop-Up Market on April 15th in order to connect with local arts and crafts vendors. RPNA discussed charging \$100 per booth for Fourth of July vendors. Vendors will be responsible for supplying their own tables and canopies, and RPNA will provide promotional support.

4. **RPNA Budget and Taxes** – Colin Jones

Colin Jones reported that he has completed RPNA's taxes. He explained that when receipts are under \$50,000, the taxes for the 501(c)(4) are relatively straightforward and should be manageable internally. As a result, it may be feasible for RPNA to prepare and file its own taxes moving forward.

Colin also stated that he will be working with Karla Mendoza to add her to the bank accounts.

5. Spring General Meeting – Karla Mendoza

Karla Mendoza reported that planning for the Spring General Meeting remains on track for Saturday, April 18th, 10:00 a.m., at Caleb Greenwood. Confirmed participants include Councilmember Phil Pluckebaum, representatives from the Mayor's Office, and Adam Randolph, Adam Randolph, Senior Engineer, City of Sacramento, Department of Public Works. Assemblymember Maggie Krell declined the invitation for the second time.

Responses are still pending from the Sacramento Police Department, Caltrans, and Senator Ashby. A Neighborhood Watch speaker is also planned. MJ volunteered to prepare flyers for Neighborhood Watch, and Karla will print them. Elise volunteered to obtain coffee and donuts in advance of the meeting. Karla is also preparing the meeting agenda.

The General Meeting will take place in lieu of a regularly scheduled monthly meeting in April at the Fremont Presbyterian Church.

6. Children's Entrepreneur Market – Karla Mendoza

Karla Mendoza reported that planning for the Children's Entrepreneur Market is progressing well. David has written an article about the event for the *RP Review*.

The market is scheduled to coincide with Food Truck Mania on May 15th and will take place from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Social media outreach is being initiated, and SactoMoFo will provide a musician for the event.

7. Membership Update – Joe Thompson via e-mail

Joe Thompson reported that membership is down by 58 residents for the year, including a decline of 39 residents since the previous month. He also stated that 70 memberships have been suspended due to nonpayment.

Financially, February closed \$15 ahead, while March is currently trending flat. Joe also noted that January reflected an \$835 decrease compared to the same period last year.

8. RP Review – Karla Mendoza

Karla Mendoza reported some uncertainty regarding the current roles and responsibilities associated with the *RP Review*. It was also noted that edits from the last newsletter were not incorporated.

It was discussed that Richard Vincent serves as editor, while Janet Mason handles advertising and layout. Inna handles the coordination of the review, including writing some articles, and finding topics, and authors for other articles. Karla Mendoza has been handling copy-editing for grammar and punctuation, but expressed that while she is happy to help, it is time-consuming and not her primary duty.

David offered to assist with editorial reviews, including writing, proofreading, and editing.

9. RP Review Update – Inna Tysoe

Inna Tysoe reported that all articles for the *RP Review* have been received. She will compile the content and forward to David for editing. It was also confirmed that there will not be a Garden Tour this year.

10. Additional Items

The Board discussed several additional items:

A company called ZipSprout reached out to inquire whether RPNA is open to new sponsorships; MJ will follow up on that opportunity.

MJ also shared that she has been developing ideas for stickers, and the Board reviewed several concepts. In addition, MJ will be preparing a social media post regarding Block Captains.

Lisa noted that she is seeking five to six vendors for the Fourth of July event and expressed concern that it may be difficult to secure strong vendors this year.

Colin will work on setting up the Venmo and Square applications prior to the Spring Meeting.

The Board also noted that Pops in the Park will occur weekly in June. After the meeting, Karla confirmed to the Board that Councilmember Phil Pluckebaum has taken over management of Pops in the Park from former Councilmember Jeff Harris.

MJ reported that she has spoken with a new business, East Sac Frameworks (where Joneck's was formerly located), regarding an RPNA sponsorship opportunity. MJ will connect Fatima with East Sac Frameworks to discuss sponsorships. The latest sponsorship tier information was also proposed for posting on the RP website.

There was also discussion of the need for new Board members.

Finally, MJ provided an update on the T-shirt contest, stating that only two submissions have been received so far, although Caleb Greenwood has submitted the information to students.

Adjourn – RPNA Board members welcome all current, new, and prospective neighborhood association members to attend next month's RPNA Spring Meeting on Saturday, April 18th at 10 a.m. River Park community members can reach out to the RPNA at sacramentorpna@gmail.com.

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