

STEVENS SQUARE COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION

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Events and Engagement Committee Meeting

AGENDA for Monday, April 25th at 6:00PM, <u>weather permitting - meeting in Stevens Square Park</u> and Zoom

- 1. Meeting Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89969345984
- 2. 6:00PM (5 minutes) Introductions of Members and Guests
 - a. Welcome new staff to SSCO!
- 3. 6:05PM (2 minutes) Previous Minutes approval
- 4. 6:07PM (2-3 minutes) Land Acknowledgement Statement:
 - a. As we meet here today, we are reminded that Minneapolis is situated on the homelands of the Dakota people. An area that is steeped in rich Indigenous history, and today is home to Indigenous people from more than 30 different nations. As a City, we have a responsibility to care for the land on which we live and work and all its natural surroundings. This stewardship is an integral part of our involvement in this Committee, and we honor it as we begin our meeting. We now open this space to discuss ways in which we can support Indigenous people in our community.
- **5. 6:23PM (5 minutes)** Upcoming Events consistent for each committee meeting

Event Name	Event Date & Time	Details
Community Cleanup (every Sunday)	April 24th, May 1st 1pm-2pm	Meet at Stevens Square Park
Safety Meeting	April 28th 6pm-7:30pm	on Zoom
Board Meeting	May 2nd 6pm-7pm	On Zoom & In person at the Parsons Room @ Plymouth Church (1900 Nicollet Ave) Ask about applying to be on the Board!

NDC Meeting	May 17th 6pm-7pm	on Zoom Apply for NDC Chair
!!!!SSCO Quarterly Meeting!!!!	May 14th TBD	TBD
EEC Meeting	May 23rd 6pm-7pm	on Zoom

- 6. 6:26pm (15 minutes) Stevens Square Park Springtime Get Together Thursday, April 7th
 - a. Meeting Notes:
- **7. 6:43pm (5 minutes)** 2022 Event Ideas:
 - a. Have EEC in the Park
 - b. Small event before or after EEC
 - i. no permit for less than 50 people
 - ii. yoga in the park
 - iii. basketball shooting competition
 - iv. park clean up
 - v. chalk art
 - vi. scheduled BBQs in the Park
 - c. May Quarterly Meeting Neighborhood Election Day
 - d. May Community Unity Day
 - e. June Red Hot Art due to short timeframe, will be a small event, community based
 - i. Pay artist to teach art class in the Park
 - ii. Community Mural
 - 1. Plymouth parking lot touch up
 - 2. new wall mural locations?
 - iii. SSCO Community Art Project
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 - f. Fall Fundraiser Event
 - i. online auction
 - ii. cookbook
- **8. 7:07 (10 minutes)** Cookbook;
 - a. Where are we at, what are next steps
 - b. Excited volunteers to help wrap it up?
- 9. **6:50 (5 minutes)** May's Meeting
- **10.6:55pm (5 minutes)** Next steps/goodbyes

Stevens Square Community Organization Mission Statement

SSCO provides a respectful forum for community involvement and leadership that builds on neighborhood strengths to promote and improve Stevens Square-Loring Heights as a fun place to live, work, and play. SSCO works to strengthen Stevens Square-Loring Heights by initiating, integrating, and implementing key priorities:

- Economic development (housing and commercial development)
- · Community safety
- Clean green environment
- Building community through the arts
- Community involvement

The purpose of the meeting is to conduct the business of the SSCO Events and Engagement Committee, which serves as a forum to discuss neighborhood issues related to developing community volunteers and neighborhood-wide social and civic events. The committee chair will take a report from this committee to the full Board of Directors.

Community members 16 and older who either live in the neighborhood or are representatives of businesses/institutions in the neighborhood can propose and vote on motions. Anyone may participate in discussions. Discussions will follow Parliamentary Procedure, as established.

Any person who wishes to be on the agenda for a community meeting should contact the SSCO office in writing or leave a voice message (612-874-2840) ten (10) days in advance of the next scheduled committee meeting. The EEC Chairs will review all requests and prepare the agenda.

SSCO recognizes that name and gender identity are central to most individuals' sense of self and well-being, and that it is important for SSCO to establish mechanisms to acknowledge and support individuals' self-identification. One way we can support identity is by honoring the name and pronouns that each of us go by.

Many people might go by a name in daily life that is different from their legal name. In our gatherings, we seek to refer to people by the names that they go by.

Pronouns can be a way to affirm someone's gender identity, but they can also be unrelated to a person's identity. They are simply a public way in which people are referred to in place of their name (e.g. "he" or "she" or "they" or "ze" or something else). At all SSCO Board and committee meetings, you are invited (if you want to) to share what pronouns you go by, and we seek to refer to people using the pronouns that they share. The pronouns someone indicates are not necessarily indicative of their gender identity.