

**York Road Partnership
General Meeting
August 5, 2020
Minutes**

The meeting was held socially distanced at Loyola University 5104 York

1. Donna Blackwell called the meeting to order.

2. An update was shared by Councilman Henry's staffer, KC Kelleher on the **Design for Distancing** project that the City is working on with YRP and Loyola. The concept, if approved, is for small "parklets" to be creating with concrete barriers and flower plantings in parking lanes so that restaurants and businesses have room to spread out and serve customers.

3. KC Kelleher shared about the City's **Slow Streets** initiative, which aims to provide some space for communities for walking, biking, etc by closing some streets to non-local traffic. For more information or if your community wants to apply to add a street to this initiative, google Baltimore DOT Slow Streets. The City is prioritizing residential streets, streets near COVID food distribution sites and not on bus routes.

4. **Elections:** Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, YRP moved its May elections to September. The Nominating Committee presented about the nominating process and the list of candidates for the Leadership Committee and allowed candidates to speak about their bio and reason for running.

Nominating Committee Members include: Curt Schwartz (Richnor Springs), Sandi McFadden (Mid-Govans), Leila Kohler-Frueh (Habitat Chesapeake), and Barb Dent (Lake Walker). An email went to the YRP listserv calling for nominations went out July 11. Nominations were closed July 21. The elections will be held Sept 2.

Voting will take place by mail in vote. Curt Schwartz, Chair of the Nominating Committee will be sending ballots this Saturday, August 7 to member organization contacts on file. If you do not receive a ballot or would like to update your contact information, please e-mail yorkroadpartnership@gmail.com. All ballots must be returned by September 2nd.

Current member organizations, please send any changes to your association or organization's leadership or YRP representatives to yorkroadpartnership@gmail.com. All churches, schools, neighborhoods, non-profits, and businesses in the YRP catchment area are welcome and encouraged to become members of the York Road Partnership. For more information about how to become a member of the York Road Partnership, please visit the Membership page on our website.

Proposed Slate of Officers:

President (Contested): Anson Asaka, Mid-Govans and Chris Forrest, Winston-Govans

Vice President: Phyllis Gilmore, Woodbourne-McCabe

Recording Secretary: Karen DeCamp, Radnor Winston

Corresponding Secretary: Marie M. Anderson, Loyola University

Treasurer: Carol Rice, Guilford

At Large Members (Contested):

Carolyn Anewich, Govans Presbyterian

Nichole Battle, GEDCO

Cedric Brown, Mid-Govans

Cedric Crump, MID-Govans

Stephanie Geller, Homeland

Tee Hardy, Wilson Park

Andy McNeely, Lake Evesham

Lisa O'Reilly, York-Homeland

Attached is a document with bio sketches for each candidate.

5. Announcement: Soul Kitchen is looking for more volunteers. Reach out to Carolyn

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