

The Renaissance

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February 7, 2018

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Meeting of the Board of Trustees

- 1) Meeting convened at 8:20 P.M.
- 2) Roll Call:
 - a) Board members present: Everett Boyd, Elizabeth Perez, Rachel Mandel. Quorum met.
 - b) Others present: Chester Hicks, Stacey Gauthier, Francine Smith, Daniel Fanelli, Margaret Martinez-DeLuca
- 3) Review of minutes of January 3, 2018
 - a) Point of information: Board calendar sent to SED. We have to enter our board minutes into a portal. At our last meeting, there was no language about videoconferencing; the language has been inserted. Has not been approved yet by authorizer. We need to make sure we have the technological capability to do this.
 - b) Motion to approve minutes of 1/3/18, seconded; motion passed by acclamation.
- 4) Updates on progress toward opening of TRCS2
 - a) Facilities - Dan Fanelli.
 - i) At the last TRCS2 board meeting, Civic Builders had found the 33-02 Skillman site.
 - ii) Civic Builders has been negotiating with the owners of the property; in the beginning the amount we can pay is limited, so they will agree to a lease term. We're waiting to hear updates.
 - iii) Another property is 37-18 Northern Boulevard, around 36,000 sq. ft. Civic reached out to them about additional space. Waiting for an architect from Civic to do a test fit.
 - iv) 9-03 44th Road. Was a building there, knocked down. Developer of that property interested in working with an organization that would hold the lease for a long time. They want a significant amount of money up front (\$2 million). Conversation not closed. Building would be built to what we want, up to 80K sq. ft.
 - v) A number of properties have been proposed during our weekly conference calls with Civic, but they don't necessarily meet our needs.
 - vi) We are looking for an incubation space. Dan, Everett, and Stacey are going to go look tomorrow at a property that was a school space owned by the archdiocese. It

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was a 16-classroom space. Rent through the church is a lot cheaper than a private property owner in LIC. Would be a directly negotiated lease. In District 24, about 1 ½ miles from here.

- 5) Resolution to adopt the MOA. Moved and seconded, motion passed by acclamation
- 6) Meeting adjourned at 8:31 P.M.