

Board members present were Bill Brainerd, Matt Himmelein, Anne Lovatt, Allan Walters, Jim Wylie. Guests present were Sue Edwards, Gary Lytle, and Karen Melton. Board members present by phone were Pat Beaudet, John Butler, Len Finegold, Dennis Winters. Absent were Emily Davis and Jeanette MacNeille.

We met at CityCoHo, a private organization helping nonprofits with offers of office and meeting space at reduced rates. CoHo also has indoor space for events. These spaces may be certified gold or platinum LEED. For \$100 we can use a conference room five hours a month. We can't reserve a room more than 24 hours in advance in order not to compete with resident nonprofits, but the latter seldom meet in the evening, when we meet. A parking lot is next door. Rachel Martin of Beyond Coal will pay half the rent, \$50, if her staff can meet at CoHo two and one-half hours a month. Robin Mann will pay the SPG's \$50 share through December. CoHo will hold our mail for us, relieving us of the cost of a post office box, \$23 a month. A majority of board members accepted this no-cost offer. John Butler abstained. Our September meeting will be at CoHo.

Minutes of the July meeting were approved on a motion by Dennis Winters seconded by Jim Wylie.

Dennis said our C4 balance is \$3017, not enough for a fall newsletter on paper. We owe Bill Brainerd \$70. Our C3 balance is \$8,588.

It was agreed we need to raise money, though Dennis said we can't know how much to raise until we have a budget. Pat offered to prepare a budget with Dennis' help. He will draft a letter which Bill will send to members and supporters.

The board agreed to pay Clean Air Council \$150 of C3 money so we may participate in Greenfest September 7. Matt Himmelein agreed to table all day.

Global Warming March. A coalition including 350 and the Sierra Club will pay 40% of the cost of fifty buses to NYC September 21. Riders pay what they can afford up to \$20. Roundtrip train fare is at least \$49. The march starts at noon. There will be no final rally or speeches. Recruiters for this event are Sue Edwards in Delaware County, Jim Wylie and Karen Melton in Chester County, Anne Lovatt and Bill Brainerd in Montgomery County, and Emily Davis in Philadelphia. Jim will send out convio alerts. No one from Bucks was at this meeting, so that County is unassigned for now. Gary Lytle offered to be a bus captain. There is a fundraiser Saturday August 23 at Temple featuring Bill McKibben, Lisa Jackson, and Sandra Steingraber. Bus departure points are as yet unannounced. There will be local events that day for nontravelers, one at Devon Tesla.

Mary Jo Daley, D-148 incumbent, was endorsed for reelection to the PA House of Representatives 8 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions. Her district covers Whitemarsh Township with parts of Lower Merion and Whitpain. Daley is a longtime Sierra Club supporter and former door-to-door team captain when the Sierra Club had an office in Narberth, where she was Borough Council president for ten years.

Robin Mann is organizing a global warming event for Eastwick. She asked for help with choosing a speaker, phonebanking, designing and distributing a flier.