

Minutes of Meeting
Advisory Board on Washington University
Thursday, August 28, 2014 at 6:30pm

Members in Attendance: Gary Nelling, Kristin Sobotka, David Whiteman, Stephen Selipsky, Todd Swanstrom, Greg Pace, Kevin Taylor, Jack Breier, Christine Albinson, Caryn St. Clair, Steven Stone

Members Excused: Robyn Williams, Councilmember Paulette Carr, and Councilmember Steve Kraft

Others in Attendance: Keith Cole

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Nelling at 6:40pm.

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made to approve the agenda and seconded with the addition of opening comments from Chairman Nelling. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made to approve the July 24, 2014, minutes and seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Open Discussion

Mr. Nelling opened the meeting with his comments from the email he sent out to the committee members. Topics included: Washington University student population; PILOT program within City of Webster Groves, which includes two non-profit facilities, Laclede Groves and Provision Living; Small non-profits in University City; Observations on small non-profits and PILOTS; The Lofts at Washington University; and Washington University Director of Community Relations and Local Government Affairs, Cheryl Adelstein.

The discussion was then turned to each Sub-Committee to give an update on their progress of study.

Sub-Committee #1: John “Jack” Breier, Stephen Selipsky, and Steven Stone

Topic of discussion was using the non-tax valuation method on University City properties owned by Washington University.

Sub-Committee #2: Greg Pace and Kevin Taylor

Topic of discussion was recapping the measurement of revenue generated from Washington University.

Sub-Committee #3: Christine Albinson and Caryn St. Clair

Topic of discussion was listing out the intangibles and in-kind services that are provided to University City by Washington University.

Sub-Committee #4: Kristin Sobotka and David Whiteman

Topic of discussion was what other cities with comparable universities are accomplishing who has large tax exempt property holdings.

Sub-Committee #5: Stephen Selipsky and Todd Swanstrom

Topic of discussion was the members are continuing to find the best way to quantify the amount of demand on City services that results from Washington University's ownership of tax exempt properties.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:54pm