

Columbus Square Advisory Council Meeting
Thursday, May 16, 1013
Meeting Summary
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I. **New Business**

Our new Rec Leader, Mary Grace Gorman was introduced and welcomed.

The most recent election cycle for Advisory Council officers ended in March 2013. However, since there were no advisory council participants eligible to vote or run for office, the current group of officers have agreed to continue service into the next three-year cycle which extends from March 2013 to March 2016. The intervening time will be used to encourage and identify new individuals to take leadership positions on the council.

II. **Minutes From Last Meeting**

Minutes from the April meeting were approved.

III. **Treasurer's Report**

The treasurer's report was not available. However, as always, a full review of the budget is available at the office.

IV. **Reports**

- The Flea Market held on Saturday, April 27th was a success. Thirty vendors bought spaces and funds raised exceeded \$700.
- The repair of broken sidewalks around the park are underway.
- The Water Department is expected to freshen the paint around the planters on 13th Street. Follow up will also be made with them regarding the status of completion of the Rain Garden on the corner of 12th and Reed Streets.
- Summer Camp will begin July 1st. The camp is filled with 45 registered children. A waiting list has been established.

- Most regular classes will continue through June and then go on hiatus for the summer.
- The first meeting of the Community Design Collaborative Task Force was held on May 1st. In addition to the input from members of the Task Force, 60 written forms and e-mails were received from other community members and given to the Design Collaborative Team. The next meeting of the Task Force is Monday, June 17th. Based on the input received, a proposal will be presented by the Design Team.

Some areas that the group thought should be addressed in the final plan of the Design Team included the following:

- Bathroom access on weekends
- Water feature on weekends
- Update/maintenance of fields
- Disposition of the Round House
- New surface for the dog run
- Fences vs. no fences around the perimeter
- Reconfiguration of the Patio Area on 13th Street

- Members of the Dog Park reported that the new website is: www.southphillydogs.org

V. Upcoming Events

The Fall Pumpkin Fest and Flea Market is scheduled for Saturday, October 26th.

VI. Next Advisory Council Meeting:

The Columbus Square Advisory Council is looking for new people to serve on the advisory board and to serve as officers. Anyone interested in serving as a future officer is encouraged to contact the office.

The next meeting of the Advisory Council will be Thursday, June 20th at 7:00 PM.

Meetings for the remainder of the year are as follows:

September 19

November 21

December 19 – Annual Holiday Party