

Winnetka Caucus Council Executive Committee

April 25, 2024 Lloyd Room – Winnetka Public Library

Minutes

Attendees:

Peter Eck Ian Larkin Thomas Kehoe Laura Freechack Jan Bawden Kathy Hamburger

Absent:

Alex Ross Stanton Anderson Betsy Ownes

Peter Eck called the meeting to order at 7:30PM.

The Council reviewed feedback from visitors and Council members. Overall, the feedback from residents and Council members was positive. Suggestions for next year included continuing the breakout sessions and adding Standing Committee sessions.

The Council reviewed Caucus finances which are up, and with continued efforts will reach operating goal. It was agreed to include a visual on the website of how the money is allocated.

Each committee chair reported on its kickoff meetings and reviewed engagement which is up from previous years.

The Communications Committee is forming a task force to review and recommend best practices for virtual and hybrid full Caucus and Town Hall meetings. The Task Force will present their findings to the EC when they conclude their review. Virtual and Hybrid meetings will be added to the bylaws and reviewed and approved at the Full Caucus Meeting in October.

Additional business included adding Major Committee meetings to the website whenever feasible, continuing efforts to involve Northfield residents in the Caucus, organizing for the upcoming Spring Town Hall, building a timeline for the survey, hiring an outside source to review the Caucus bylaws, and creating a "lessons learned" document to aid in institutional memory.

President Eck will confirm attendance of the four Board Chairs and President Rintz prior to the second of three resident notices to attend the meeting.

The meeting concluded at 9:00 PM