

WPCA Executive Meeting – Meeting Minutes
July 25, 2025

Committee Members Present:

John Goodman
Warren Gorlick
Leah De Hoet
Glenn Marcus
Jeff Myers
Courtney Tolbert
Stephanie Zobay

The special meeting of the Board was called to discuss plans for the September 2025 Woodley Park Day (WPD) event. John noted that the WPD Committee had submitted a revised proposal which he said looked great, and observed at the same time that the scope of the event may create challenges in actually running the event, and that he had questions for the Committee.

One issue was whether permits had been issued. In response, the Committee stated that where a permit is required, they do have proper authorization at this time.

John also raised a concern as to how the Committee will find a sufficient number of volunteers for the event. Approximately 20-30 volunteers in total will be needed, according to the Committee's analysis. Courtney was optimistic that the volunteers can be found, and she noted that DC high school students can earn community service credit for volunteering at this event, which would incentivize students to volunteer. A friend of Courtney's indicated that he could help get volunteers. John mentioned that he can put the word out in his periodic newsletter calling for more volunteers, and that other social media sites could be utilized, such as the Cleveland Park listserv, and Facebook.

Regarding the finances, John noted that the WPMS had already donated \$6,000 towards the cost of the event. A discussion ensued as to how to allocate expenses in excess of the \$6,000 if the event went over that amount. It was agreed that the WPCA and the ANC can cover the excess from budgeted and approved amounts earmarked for the event, though the exact distribution will still need to be determined. Any ANC payments must be documented with a specific invoice for a good or service. \$2000 for Woodley Park Day has been approved in the 2025 WPCA budget. The Committee noted that that is the maximum amount needed. It was also noted that the cost of the soundstage had been reduced from an original anticipated cost of \$3,000, to just \$1,000, which the Board viewed as a positive development.

John summarized that it appears that most of the details seem to have been worked out, and that he hopes that the volunteers for the event can be found.

A question was raised about whether the Board should still meet in August, as some Members might be away. It was determined that most Board Members can be present, and that the meeting should include a discussion of how to bolster WPCA recruitment efforts, which might include targeted mailings.

John asked questions about the status of 2607 Connecticut Ave. The renovation started over seven years ago and has not been completed. Major utility work occurred which has caused sidewalk damage.

The meeting adjourned at 8:24pm.