

## **BSVA Minutes - 6/26/2018**

**Present:** Josh Bedell, Ben Baumer, Julie Thomson, Sue Norton, Norm Spencer, Vern Fath, Diane Welter, Mike Soref, Sandy Wright, Peter McLean

**Restructuring the organization:** the board is planning to restructure the way the BSVA operates in the coming year. The tentative plan will be to have fewer official board meetings in order to focus energy and attention on organizing more inviting events to rejuvenate the nature of the organization. Tentative new schedule of meetings and events for the year:

Jan - Board Meeting  
Feb - New Event  
March - BASH  
April - Board Meeting  
May - New Event  
June - Board Meeting  
July - New Event  
August - Picnic  
Sept - Board Meeting  
Oct - New Event  
Nov - Board Meeting  
Dec - Off

Potential new ideas for events included hosting a David Murphy event after the primary, getting a DPW update, family movie night, meeting the newly elected senator, offering a presentation on improving your emotional intelligence, and looking for people in the neighborhood who'd like to give short presentations focused on a theme (such as sustainability or food). The board would be interested in hearing about the types of events and topics community members would like to see the BSVA host.

### **Picnic:**

The picnic is scheduled for 8-18. Sue will pick up supplies. Alex will handle the burgers. Peter (if in town) will be in charge of the games.

### **Other news:**

Stephen Taranto is taking over the newsletter. It will come out a little later than usual this summer, but will be delivered before the picnic. Alex is looking to hand off the scholarship role to someone else on the board. The board is in search of a high school resident to join. And Josh Bedell is taking over as President and Ben Baumer will take on the role of Vice President!

**Next meeting:** 9-25-18

Submitted by Julie Thomson (Clerk)