

Glen Park Association Board Meeting

MINUTES

September 10, 2025

7:00-9:00 PM

556 Laidley St.

GPA Board Members Present

Heather World, President

Bonnee Waldstein, Communications secretary

Carolyn White, Recording secretary

Hilary Schiraldi, Membership

Dennis Mullen, Treasurer

Nicholas Dewar, Greenway

Kevin Berkemeyer, Health and Environment

Cece Cronin, Recreation & Parks

Elena DiMuzio, Halloween chair

Absent:

Adrienne Lacau, Vice-President

Carolyn Deacy, Program chair

Jamie Ennis, Marketing

Steve Green, Transportation

Stephany Wilkes, Budget

Mary Szczepanik, Webmaster

Darion Johnston, Grants Committee chair

Guest:

Tony Jerez, Critter Fritters/Merchant

Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM

1. Announcements: October Quarterly Meeting will be held on October 15, 2025, 6:30 to 8 pm. Glen Park Library, 2825 Diamond Street
2. Approve Minutes
 - a. August 13 Board Meeting: Bonnee moved to approve the minutes, Cece seconded. MSA There was one correction: The Greenway is insured through the GPA
 - b. Ad Hoc meeting to approve the letter of support for Refuse Refuse. Hilary moved to approve, Bonnee seconded, MSA
3. October 15, 2025 Quarterly Meeting: 6:30 to 8 pm at the Glen Park Library, 2825 Diamond Street.
 - a. Halloween announcement: we need volunteers
 - b. NERT Program Coordinator, Brandon Tom
 - c. New Captain of Ingleside SFPD

- d. Grant recipients honored/application opening: Darion
 - e. Announce clarification of bylaws and notify membership that the vote will be in January 2026
4. Glen Park Night Market
- a. Carolyn W: Jamie's marketing tools were a great success. The posters attracted a lot of interest and comments about what the GPA does.. The stickers / tattoos were popular but hard to highlight because of windy conditions. The Night Market itself was great marketing for the GPA. Jamie's tools made us visible and identified us as the sponsor. Some people didn't know about our Halloween event, i.e. people without kids and/or people who don't live near Chenery. Discussed putting flyers in other parts of the neighborhood and add to Sophie's newsletter.
 - b. Heather: The final Night Market will be on September 20. The volunteers will be Hilary and Cece. Discussed plans for set up and logistics.
5. Priorities for next year (Heather)
- a. Drive more traffic to the blog
 - b. Night Markets: Heather to talk to Jamie about having a table at BART; recruit volunteers for Halloween. Discuss timing.
6. Halloween (Elena)
- a. The permit is on the consent calendar
 - b. We need volunteers and signs. Elena to talk to Jamie about signage.
 - c. Elena to recruit teen volunteers to clean up the next day.
 - d. Mike Schiraldi has started the volunteer recruitment process. Flyers will be attached to telephone poles and an announcement on the sidebar.
 - e. Candy for Halloween can be donated to Critter Fritters and Cheese Boutique. Heather to write a post. It was suggested that we use the funding left from the Halloween grant to buy the candy.
7. Branded Gear: Heather will order iron on decals that can be applied to any garment.
8. Street Trees:
- a. Kevin: SOMA neighbor, Shaun, brought up the issue of street trees and empty tree wells. The City will not replace street trees unless the sidewalk is 7 ½ feet wide. He would like to have this rule repealed. He has contacted Mayor Lurie's office; his street is being used as a pilot program. He is looking for support from the GPA as some trees on Chenery might be impacted by this rule. We will add this issue to the agenda for the October board meeting. Kevin will ask Shaun to write a guest blog post. It was noted that 48 inches of sidewalk width is required for handicap access.

- b. 660 Chenery was red-tagged July 14 after someone fell and was injured. The sidewalk was torn up and a bypass created before a hearing was held. Marian was told it could be 6 months before a repair can be done. This is having a negative impact on local business.

9. Committee Reports

- a. Treasurer:(Dennis) \$18,257 is the current balance at Tri-Counties bank.
- b. Membership: (Hilary) 212 members. Mary and Hilary met and reconciled mailchimp and wordpress. Mary will look into autorewal.
- c. Neighborhood Improvement:(Heather)
 - i. The Arlington 500 block party will be this Saturday, Sept. 13. There will be pies from Destination Bakery, a scavenger hunt and games for kids.
 - ii. The Surrey block party will be Sept. 27
 - iii. Chenery block party (Kevin): October 4, 1-5PM between Chilton and Burnside. Activities will include Library story time, Firetruck, pet parade, Golden Gate pickleball, potluck, ice cream truck and possibly a DJ.
 - iv. Refuse Refuse cleanups will be Sept 20 and October 11.
- d. Rec & Park: Cece to follow up to find out about the Haunted House. There will be a Film Festival on Oct. 10 from 6-8 PM. Bonnee's daughter will be showing one of her films.
- e. Merchant report: (Tony) The new French restaurant will be opening tonight. A music school will be opening in the old Chenery Park space. Fleet Week is coming to Glen Park. The Navy Woodwind Quintet will perform at the Glen Park Library on Friday, Oct 10 at 4 PM
- f. Greenway: (Nicholas) The September work party was successful, although the group was smaller than usual. There is still no fiscal sponsor.
- g. Safety: (Hilary / Heather) Hilary / Laidley had her first package theft. Always report to SFPD.
- h. Health & Environment: (Kevin) Men from the supportive housing on Arlington have been smoking outside of the Dolores Huerta playground. Parents have complained. There is also trash behind the hedges facing Chenery.

Cece moved to adjourn. Carolyn W seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:06 PM

Future cleanups:

Skipping August

September 20 (flyer attached)

October 11

September 20

Carolyn D sent request to George Li at DPW.

Carolyn D will pick up/drop off supplies

Marian and Carolyn will post flyers in GP. Marion will do most of it, CD to follow up.
CD to send the flyers to the Library and to be posted on GPA site

We've picked up 1044 bags of trash since May 2022:

2025

January, 27 bags

February, 25 bags

March, 36 bags

April, 30 bags plus a yoga mat

May, 26 bags

June, 23 bags

July, 18 bags

2024, 263 bags

2023, 334 bags

2022, 231 bags

Notes:

- 20 volunteers collected 18 bags of trash. Volunteers also did sweeping, tree well work, and removed graffiti
- One high school student and at least two families with kids.
- We are fortunate to have a core group of volunteers to have a few new volunteers every month.
- Weeding, graffiti and sweeping have been successfully added to the monthly cleanups.
- More sweeping and tree wells to tackle
- Marian will continue to keep the commercial area clean
- Bonnee is keeping BART aware of graffiti. Bonnee worked with Mandelman's office and BART has agreed to one paint color to cover graffiti. They are still using at least 2 colors.
- Bonnee to keep up posting to the parents email group for kids to come to the cleanups for community service requirements
- Carolyn to send flyer to library and Glen Park Rec Center
- Suggest volunteers join "adopt-a-Street"
- New volunteers get the orientation: Do not pick up sharps, 311 app for large items and sharps, bag drop off location, end 11:30

Post September cleanup meeting, September 23, if people are available.