Glen Park Association Board Meeting
MINUTES
September 9, 2026
7:00-9:00 PM
161 Fairmont St.

Glen Park Association Board of Directors Meeting

GPA Board Members Present
Hilary Schiraldi, Vice President
Bonnee Waldstein, Communications secretary
Carolyn White, Recording secretary
Julie Biberstein, Membership
Nicholas Dewar, Greenway
Cece Cronin, Recreation & Parks, Grants
Dennis Mullen, Treasurer
Dennise Gearty, Diamond Heights Community Association & Community Police Board

Absent:
Heather World, President
Carolyn Deacy, Program chair
Jamie Ennis, Marketing
Steve Green, Transportation
Kevin Berkemeyer, Health and Environment
Elena DiMuzio, Halloween chair
Mary Szczepanik, Webmaster

Guests:
Marian Dalere, GPMA
Tony Jerez, Critter Fritters

Meeting called to order at 7:08 p.m.

1. Peter Rocha: Reported incident in the park. He's still around.
2. Approve August 12 Board Meeting Minutes: of the July 8, 2026 board meeting: Bonnee moved to approve, Julie seconded. 6 in favor, 0 against. MSA
3. Letter to SFMTA regarding insurance requirements: We are not the only organization finding the insurance requirements difficult to fulfill. See proposed letter here: Link to proposed letter. After discussion, Carolyn W moved that we send the proposed letter. Bonnee seconded. 5 in favor, 0 against. MSA
4. Fall Quarterly Meeting: Tuesday Oct. 20 at Cuppa, 2810 Diamond
   Doors open 6:15 PM; Meeting starts 6:45 PM

a. GPA will donate $200 for small yogurt cups for members who come early. Cuppa has 20 chairs. Julie is working on borrowing more chairs.
b. The October meeting will focus on storm preparation.
    i. Department of Emergency Management
    ii. Jeff Morelli, independent consultant who trains small groups of people for disaster preparedness
    iii. Hayley Raquer, NERT-trained GPAer
    iv. Vote on $20 membership

5. August Night Market -
    a. Because of the new hours this year the shifts will be longer. Set up at 2pm.
    b. Great turnout. Bakery sold out. Food vendors must pay an extra $300 for health department; open flame requires SFFD inspection and approval. MTA booth was a huge hit. The art studio will be there in September.
    c. Vendors: more needed for men. Sam's Gourmet Jams joined the GPA to show their appreciation for our support.
    d. 2027: Will we continue having the night market? Di will try to get funding for a street closure for Diamond between Chenery and Bosworth. Money must be held by GMA unless Artwalk SF can become a 501c3. Di is looking into this.
    e. Storage for GPA tent and supplies: Tony / Critter Fritters will store them for now until we can find a more permanent solution.
    f. Di requested commendations for Marian and Carolyn D for cleanups and Joel/Joel from La Corneta.
6. Halloween
    a. 311 updates for lights and trees (Carolyn D)
    b. Dennise has volunteered to recruit and organize volunteers, including thank you's to previous volunteers and "day of" communications.
    c. Do we need a GPA table at the entrance? This would require volunteers to staff it.
    d. We will again ask for candy donations to help out residents of Chenery / those handing out candy.
    e. Blog post will go out the last week of September/Oct. 1. Bonnee will be gone but can write it in advance. Also post on GP Parents. Take a picture of your kids in costume to make them easier to find if they get lost.

7. Arlington Slow Street
    a. First batch of grant money is in our acct ($15k)
    b. City has not opened its portal to apply for Painted Safety Zones (PSZs), a requirement before the murals can be painted
    c. GPA and Arlington Steering Cmte have been in touch with SFMTA to agree on corners so that when the portal does open, things will move swiftly
    d. Successful block party Aug 29. 145 people signed in and there were 25 responses on the feedback form (linked from our Slow Arlington page). One person came up and thanked

us for doing the Night Market and keeping it going!

8. Insurance update (HIlary): We will need to stay with our current underwriter this year due to timing issues.

9. Committee Reports
    a. Membership (Julie): 308 members! We got lots of new members at the night markets. We've also had some auto-renewals.
    b. Treasurer (Dennis): Cash Balance in the Main Operating Account at Tri-Counties Bank is $23,132.51 as of August 31, 2026.
    c. Neighborhood Improvement (Carolyn W): We will be planting 5 new sidewalk gardens on Mateo at Arlington.
    d. Rec/Park (Cece)
        i. There will be an Art Show at the Rec Center
        ii. The fall movie schedule is out for the Tuesday night movies.
    e. GPMA (Marian): We have 1500 followers on Instagram!
        i. Oct. 9 Fleet Week: wind quartet will be playing at the library
        ii. Dave Burke's position has been eliminated. He is still working with SFPD
        iii. August 16: Painting at the Art Center on Chenery. Free to Glen Parkers
        iv. Suggested bringing membership forms to the clean-ups
        v. Crescendo has opened
        vi. Celtica was at the NM
        vii. Critter Fritters Yappy Hour, Sept. 30 at 5:30pm for Gary McCoy
        viii. Night Market: Perch will have art; La Cigale will be selling wine.

    f. Greenway (Nicholas): Would like to add a donation page for the Greenway on the GPA website. Nicholas follow up with Mary on how to set this up

    g. Transportation: Carolyn W is asking for a Neighborhood Calming Traffic Circle at the 5-way intersection on Arlington/Wilder/Natick/exit from San Jose. Carolyn spoke with MTA and Steve Green.

    h. Safety (Carolyn D and Bonnee): Most crime is down although retail theft is up citywide.
        i. Staffing at Ingleside is down 50 officers. The field training officer said it takes about 5 years to fully train a new officer.
        ii. Ingleside will be stationed at Bayview while the Ingleside station is remodeled. Time frame is 2027 - 2029.
        iii. Marian did 311 request for better pedestrian markings at Diamond and Chenery.
        iv. Dennise reported on a prowler in her house; SFPD responded in 3 minutes with drones.

    i. Zoning/Planning (Hilary): Bemis unit block - there's a controversy over a major rent increase and size of the home. There is a single family home plus a duplex.

j. Glen Park Beautiful is having a Burnside celebration on Sept. 26

Julie moved to adjourn, Cece seconded. Adjourned at 8:41 PM

June cleanup notes
Marian, Bonne, Nicola and I met at GP Station.

Future cleanups:

- July 11 — One City Day, citywide day of service. Flyer attached
- August 15 — Night market
- September 19 — Night market

July 11
Carolyn D sent request to George Li at DPW.
Supplies: Carolyn D will pick up. Marian will drop off
Marian and Carolyn will post flyers in GP. Nicola suggested posting flyers towards Lyell, that area needs cleaning. She may be available to help out with this.
CD to send the flyers to the Library and Park & Rec. Heather already put it on the blog.

We've picked up 1369 bags of trash since May 2022:

2026
January, 30 bags
February, 33 bags
March, 26 bags
April, 31 bags
May, 49 bags
June, 19 bags

2025, 337 bags
2024, 263 bags
2023, 334 bags
2022, 231 bags

Notes:

- 25 volunteers collected 19 bags of trash plus lots of other debris. Volunteers also did sweeping, weeded tree wells, and removed graffiti. We sent several crews out to sweep! Darren weeded tree wells. Graffiti, weeding tree wells, and sweeping have been successfully added to the monthly cleanups.
- Lots of new Volunteers. Many from the mother/daughter group. We send all the children to the Bart parking lot, greenway and other non traffic areas
- We are fortunate to have a core group of volunteers every month.
- We'll keep sending out more sweeping crews.
- BART: Nicola and Bonnee requested a larger crew to pick up trash around, and behind, the BART station. Including the path to the emergency exit.
- Bonnee is keeping BART aware of trash and graffiti.
- The GPA insurance policy is covering our monthly clean up. Vests required. CD added necessary note to the signup sheet.

Notes for July 11, Hope this helps organization, while I'm gone

- CD to hand over bag of supplies to Marian before July 11
- Arrive early to set up: Table, table cloth, signup sheet, pens, name tags and sharpie, snacks, keep some vests on the table. Put bags on loops, be sure volunteers have picker, vest, loop with bag, extra bags, gloves—or broom etc
- New volunteers get the orientation: Do not pick up sharps, 311 app for large items and sharps, kids don't go in the street, bag drop off location, pick up at 11:30. Suggest volunteers join "adopt-a-Street." Suggest Volunteers contact Vince about corporate cleanups.
- First ask for sweeping volunteers. It's not very popular, send them out to Bosworth and side streets.
- Ask repeat volunteers, if they have a spot in mind. Janet goes to the J Church overpass for bird seed. Ginette kern street and lot.
- Good for someone to stay at table for a while to orient late comers.
- Spot ideas: Bosworth both sides, median—only wide part; Commercial area; More people to BART area; Cheney and side streets; around the big blue school; Monterey on the way to the 280 entrance (only as far as Bike lane); Greenway
- Children to BART parking lot and Plaza. Also greenway
- Be sure people know where to go. If unclear, assign an escort.

Post cleanup July 13 or 14?