

**AGENDA** 

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# **Annual Meeting**

Thursday, January 9, 2020 @ 6:45 p.m. **Battle Creek Elementary School** 1640 Waln Drive SE, Salem, OR 97306

This is an open meeting. The public is invited.

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1.	Introductions	6:45 - 6:50
2.	Approval of Minutes	6:45 - 6:50
3.	Police Officer Report	6:50 - 6:55
4.	Proposed SGNA Bylaw Changes	6:55 – 7:20

- Article V, Section 1 Reduce available SGNA Board member slots to 13
- Article V, Section 2 Increase ratio of Board members that can be elected in one year to 60%
- Article VII, Section 4 Allow general membership meeting to held in fall or winter
- Article X Change mailing of proposed bylaw changes to all members to distributed at least two weeks prior to the meeting.

5.	Election of Board Members	7:20 - 8:20
6.	SGNA Board Officers (2020–2021)	8:20 - 8:45

Adjourn by 8:45 PM

# SGNA Proposed Bylaws Changes January 9, 2020

# Article V – Board of Directors

#### Section 1

The Board of Directors shall be composed of not more than thirteen (13) members of the general membership and will strive to be geographically representative of the Neighborhood.

# **Purpose**

SGNA currently has six Board members and has rarely gotten to ten members in the last five years, but the bylaws provide for up to 21 positions. Filling all of these positions is highly unlikely even with increased outreach. In addition, a Board with 21 members will require additional management and highly inefficient in reaching necessary decisions. It's recommended that the number of available SGNA Board positions be reduced to 13.

#### Section 2

All members elected to the Board of Directors at the annual general membership meeting shall serve a term of two years. The members will elect no more than .60% of the Board of Directors per year. The remainder of the Board of Directors will be in the second year of their terms.

## **Purpose**

Due to the lack of historical records on Board members all the members are currently up for reelection in January 2020. To stagger terms going forward as per bylaws, SGNA will institute staggered limits based on position numbers assigned each member. Members with an even position number will be reelected in even years and those with odd numbers will be reelected in odd years. However, this system will result in 55-60% of Board members up for reelection on certain years. For example, a Board with seven members would have four members up for reelection in even years equating to 57% of the Board. Changing the limit to 60% will enable SGNA to install staggered term limits for Board members.

## Article VII – Meetings

# **Section 4**

There shall be at least one general membership meeting each year, to be held in the Fall or Winter. This annual meeting shall be for the election of the Board of Directors and any other business of SGNA properly placed before it.

**Purpose** Allowing general membership (annual meetings) to held in Fall or Winter will allow SGNA to latitude to schedule meetings when there is the greatest attendance.

# Article X – Amendments of Bylaws and Adoption

The bylaws of SGNA may be amended, repealed, or replaced in whole or in part by a majority vote of the general membership at any constituted general membership meeting so long as written notice of proposals relating to the bylaws is .are distributed at least two weeks prior to the meeting.

## **Purpose**

Mailing proposed bylaw changes to all residents and property owners in the SGNA Neighborhood would cost over \$1000 and greatly deplete the SGNA budget each year. Allowing for distribution versus mailing will allow SGNA to distribute the changes electronically through the City of Salem and the SGNA e-mail list at no cost.