Friends of Grant Park Meeting Minutes April 9, 2020 Online Meeting by Zoom

Attendees: Jody, Jackie, Pam, Lynn C., Lynn M., Debby P., Patrick, Betsy, Jan, Annemarie, Deb W., Brian

Security - Sean Kelly, Grant Park unit coordinator, is working part-time hours now. There's a notice from Parks, saying they closed lake front parks to stop people from congregating. In the future, gates will be closed at night.

Treasurer's Report – A recent donation of \$100 will be deposited after things settle down.

Check waiting to	oe deposite	d. \$100.0	0
Checking, reconci	led	5,300.38	3
Savings			3,529.96
Park People	•••••	\$ <u>12,491.1</u>	0
	TOTAL		21,421.44

Zoom Meeting – Free service if meetings are limited to 40 minutes. Fees to post in advance and run longer meetings. We can also try to do one meeting after the other without cost.

Status of Suburban Soles - May 3rd is the first scheduled guided nature walk. Brian will contact speaker one week before each walk and give 3 options: cancel, virtual, or maintain social distances. Post in kiosk and/or Facebook about event changes.

Status of Weed Out – May 2nd: Oak Creek HS volunteers canceled. Individually, we can do Weed out; woods surrounding area 5 pavilion need attention. Volunteers should wear volunteer vest if working in the park. Throw plants you pull out onto the lawn.

Status of Bird Walks - Do walks with 10 or less. Betsy said, mostly will have to cancel walks. Jackie suggested a virtual bird walk.

Beach Cleanup – canceled. Consider bringing bag & gloves if you want to pick up trash but maintain social distance or work individually. We cannot post/invite people to join in an activity. Parks is not picking up trash so haul out anything you pick up.

Park People's Gala Dinner – Pam checked the website; nothing is posted but she was told by email that it was rescheduled for October 16th.

Repave construction project for the beach access road is still supposed to go through.

We may not get tree sets promised from Caterpillar. If we get them we must work to plant individually.

Our next meeting will be held online May 14th at 6:30 pm using the Zoom platform.

Respectfully submitted by Debbie Pizur