

Academy-Sherman Park Neighborhood Association Committees

About

The Academy-Sherman Park Neighborhood Association is made up of engaged residents here to serve the best interests of our neighbors.

Purpose

ASPN committees meet regularly to work on issues important to our neighborhood. This is a great way to get involved and meet other ASPN residents. Committee volunteers generally serve for at least one year and commit to attend regular meetings and work on projects outside the committee meeting times. Committee chairs report to the ASPN President and submits reports monthly. Meeting schedules are determined by the individual committee. Work load varies by committee.

Committee Descriptions

Committee roles include:

Social Media

Chair: Rhonda V. Jones

Communications/Social Media Committee handles our newsletter, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, social media presence or website, etc., updates. In addition, help with printing, mailings and distributing fliers for events. Promotes and manages information related to ASPN, i.e., take photographs at ASPN related events, i.e., press conferences, ice cream socials, National Night Out, etc.

Beautification Committee

Chair: Catherine Smith-Morgan

Members of the beautification committee are involved in every aspect of creating and maintaining ASPN's inviting public spaces. Lead/engage neighborhood residents in ongoing projects - planting flowers in pots, neighborhood garden, working with the city parks department. Plans, promotes, and completes projects to keep ASPN blooming and vibrant. Identify and maintains relationships with organizations that support the beautification of ASPN, Bright Side St. Louis, Gateway Greening, etc.

Safety & Security

Chair: Larry Powell

Develops and implements public safety and awareness programs, designed to inform and educate residents about public safety issues in regards to crime, fire and general community safety. Engage with residents, stakeholders and City officials to understand/identify problem areas, working actively on solutions. Work closely with 5th District Police and ASPN neighbors.

Planning, Housing, and Development

Chair: John Watson

Address the needs of ASPN – a diverse, historic neighborhood. Identify areas suitable for new housing without disrupting neighborhood integrity; areas appropriate for commercial development; mixed-use development; improve and protect open space and parks. Engage with ASPN residents. Engage with outside organizations' housing, policy officials and report to the Board on findings. Take steps to organize, educate ASPN neighbors and advocate on housing-related issues and resources.

Trash/Debris

Chair: Dan Lovings

Work with board, members, and neighbors to identify dumping, trash and debris and causes in ASPN. Engage with ASPN neighbors, stakeholders, city officials, i.e., NSO, to escalate problems. Identify neighborhood sources and/or activities that generate trash/debris.

Grant Writing

Chair: Dell Breland

Underwriting programs makes our ASPN a happier and healthier place to live and share visions for our neighborhood. Works with Board and Committee Leaders to identify goals and priorities, i.e., senior services, youth initiatives, beautification, safety security, etc. Seeks resources to fund ASPN plans and programs.

Committee Membership

Membership of the committee should reflect the wide range of community stakeholders living and working in the Academy/Sherman Park neighborhood.

- 5-15 members
- At least 5 local residents from the Academy/Sherman Park neighborhood
- No more than 5 representatives who live outside of Academy/Sherman Park
- At least one business owner in Academy/Sherman Park
- At least one property owner in Academy/Sherman Park
- Individuals interested in the advancement of the district (this could include real estate professionals, bankers, non-profits, etc.)
- Half of initial appointees will begin on 1 year terms, half will begin on 2 year terms

Committee Member Expectations and Requirements

- All applicants for the committee will be interviewed by ASPN leadership before membership is granted or denied.
- All members will be required to attend regularly scheduled meetings; they are allowed to miss no more than three before their good standing is revoked and membership is reviewed for termination.
- All committee members must acknowledge that they represent the ASPN, and should act responsibly and courteously at all meetings.
- All committee members must provide open and honest feedback that is in the best interest of the Academy-Sherman Park neighborhood and not themselves.
- All committee members must commit to serving either a 1 year or 2 year term.

Committee Member Application

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Employment/Occupation: _____

Which committee(s) are you interested in serving on?

Circle all that apply:

Social Media

Beautification Committee

Safety & Security

Planning, Housing and Development

Trash/Debris

Grant Writing

Why are you interested in joining this committee?

What knowledge, skills, or expertise will you contribute to the committee?

What are the best times and days of the week for you to meet? (Circle all available days/times)

Monday	Morning	Noon	Late Afternoon/Evening
Tuesday	Morning	Noon	Late Afternoon/Evening
Wednesday	Morning	Noon	Late Afternoon/Evening
Thursday	Morning	Noon	Late Afternoon/Evening
Friday	Morning	Noon	Late Afternoon/Evening
Saturday	Morning	Noon	Late Afternoon/Evening
Sunday	Morning	Noon	Late Afternoon/Evening