

## **BFSNA General Meeting Minutes for 11/9/04**

7:06 PM  
Secretary's Report:

Meeting called to order  
Minutes from 10/12/04 General Meeting accepted as-is

### **Guest Speakers:**

1. ***Andres Branger announces new restaurant to open in BSFNA Association***
  - Restaurant to be called Orinoco
  - Andres Branger, owner of the restaurant explained his plans for restaurant
  - Location will be at 477 Shawmut Avenue (corner of West Concord and Shawmut Ave
  - Will feature Latin American cuisine at a moderate price
2. ***Peter Roth- Art Block Update***
  - Dig happening 11/11/04 and 11/12/04
  - Both buildings to be 5 stories
  - Entrances on Harrison have changed
  - West building toned down
  - Reduction in the number of gabled tops
  - More room between the West Building and the Bates to allow more natural light for artists
  - Palette is similar brick on sides, on Harrison it will be a quilted zinc coated tile.
  - Trash room in garage dumpster will be brought out and trash truck will come down alley and onto Art Block property.
  - There will be 8 outdoor spots and 67 garage spots
  - Ground breaking will take place in January
  - Peach tree has been moved to greenhouse to preserve it and gazebo moved to North Hampton Street
  - New Atlantic has secured financing
  - Price of dry wall has gone up 55% and the cost of steel has gone up 45%
  - There will be 30 affordable units and 24 market rate units.
  - Garage spots will be priced between \$55,000 and \$60,000.
  - Some ideas for the Art Block include independent film area, screening room which could seat 30-45.

### **Announcements:**

- Nominations being accepted for BFSNA Secretary
- Neighborhood Cleanup to be held on 11/16/04
- Washington Street Historic Panels in lobby at BRA
- Pie in the Sky- Those interested call Tom Ferris
- Fence outside Franklin Square is being subrogated via insurance
- Looking for funding to replace the dead trees in Washington Street
- Walgreen's not supposed to have signs on doors or windows, delivery's to be held from 8-11 twice a week and Walgreen's to clean sidewalk every night before closing.
- Flu Shot at Naked Clay (374 Mass Ave) on Thursday from 10-12. Cost is \$25
- Bio Safety Lab-Public hearing to be held on December 14<sup>th</sup> at BRA 9<sup>th</sup> Floor City Hall. Information at [Bostonbiosafety.com](http://Bostonbiosafety.com). Friends of the Park have asked BioSafety to pay for the entire cost of fountains (\$650,000) Community Benefits not voted on yet