# MINUTES CADBURY AT LEWES RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

Monday, March 14, 2011 10:00 am Welcome Room

President Doug Trout called the meeting to order, following his Prologue. All directors were present except Woody Seamone, Elaine Connell, Lionel Saltzberg, and Elaine Glisson.

A moment of silence was observed with remembrance of those affected by the tragedy in Japan.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: The committee chairpersons were asked to stay for the entire meeting, if possible.

Barbara Cleaveland moved "that Ted Barnett be appointed to fill the vacancy on the CAL Safety Committee." The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Activities: The Committee will meet today. Don Burgess thanked Vi Cribb for chairing the committee in his absence and Barbara and Dick Cleaveland for running the Bingo for him. He reported that he deposited over \$325 last year from Bingo.

## By-Laws:

- The Committee provided a final proposal of changes, additions, and clarification of the existing By-Laws.
- Gil Kaufman moved "that the proposed changes to the By-Laws be approved as submitted with changes brought forth in the discussion." The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- The revised By-Laws will be made available to the CALRA membership five days prior to the March 21st General Meeting. Voting will be held on March 21st.
- If approved, the revisions will go into effect on April 1, 2011.

Dining: The following decisions have been made by the Committee:

- There will be a charge of \$3.00 for sharing a meal (splitting),
- There will be a charge of one-half the cost of a dinner for which a reservation was made and not cancelled within 24 hours of the event, and
- The St. Patrick's Day dinner will be as usual with no reservations needed.

Gift Shop: Volunteers were thanked as were people who donated items for sale. The total profit for the year 2011 is \$440. The profit for February 2011 was \$217.

Library: The Committee met February 15<sup>th</sup> and addressed:

- Identifying persons who are visually handicapped to secure reading machines with training for use,
- The possible elimination of audio-visual materials, after they have been made more visible for potential users,
- The movement of new books to make room for more large-print books,
- The elimination of the biography section to make room for more fiction, and

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- The purchase of a new computer chair. The new computer is working well.
- The Cadbury library currently contains 2,350 books which have been donated by our residents and friends.

Newsletter: Pat O'Hanlon was thanked for the excellent February edition. Articles are due in early April for the May edition.

## Program:

- The speaker for the March 21st CALRA meeting will be Joan Deaver, our County Council member, who will discuss the Council and her role in it.
- This month's long program will be held March 15<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm in the auditorium and will be presented by the Parsell family to inform us of important documents and arrangements that need to be made known to family members regarding funerals.
- The survey that was sent out showed an interest in musical programs and topics about history.
- The purchase of a piano for the auditorium would be very useful for musical programs.
- Gil Kaufman will take us to Bermuda via "Clipper Ship" in a May program.

# Woodworking:

- Our maintenance department has cleaned and restained the benches outside.
- The shop is making items to be sold at the June Arts Festival.

MINUTES: Barbara Cleaveland moved "that the minutes of the February 14, 2011 Board of Directors' Meeting be accepted as received" and Adele Hudson moved "that the minutes of the February 21, 2011 General Meeting be accepted as received." Both motions were seconded and passed unanimously.

#### CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT:

- Two cards have been sent. Please inform Adele Hudson of anyone needing a card.
- This month's "Unsung Heroes" are our "Bird Ladies," Marie Berry and Elaine Connell, who provide window bird feeders and seed for the residents in the Health Wing.

TREASURER'S REPORT: February 2011's balance was \$8,446. The total income for March, 2011 was \$464 and expenses were \$265, leaving a balance as of March 14<sup>th</sup> of \$8,645.

#### WING AND COTTAGE REPORTS:

- Lois Nickerson is helping cottage residents with landscaping plans which will go to Vic for approval.
- A smoking problem in the west wing is being remedied.
- An apartment in the west wing is undergoing renovations for a new resident.

DIAL-A-RIDE REPORT: Four requests for rides or pick-ups were completed.

OLD BUSINESS: A report was submitted regarding the purchase of a piano for our auditorium to be used for our musical programs and activities as well as outside performances that might be scheduled. The current in-house Hammond organ does not fulfill our needs.

- A high-quality digital piano has been chosen that can be moved from area to area.
- An exceptional price has been given to CALRA—less than \$4,000 (including a contribution from Cadbury at Lewes).
- Adele Hudson moved "that the Board is inclined to proceed with the purchase of a Yamaha CLP-265GP (digital grand piano) at a cost of less than \$4,000 and seeks comments from the membership as well as contributions, if offered." The motion was seconded and passed unanimously, after an in-depth discussion.
- A complete presentation of the process of the decision making and the purchase will be given to the membership at the March 21<sup>st</sup> CALRA meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: Jim Bazzoli gave a review of how our sidewalks have been poured, not cured properly, and then had to be redone. He wants to make sure the new ones are done correctly. He is also concerned that our good sod has been removed before we had a chance to use it. He will take this to the CAL Landscaping Committee for resolution.

ADJOURNMENT: Diantha Pack moved: "that the meeting be adjourned at 11:50." The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Holstrom

Kathy Hölstrom Secretary