

CADBURY AT LEWES RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Minutes - November 9, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 9:15. President Barbara led us in a Moment of Silence asking us to remember Mary Edith Dellmyer. With the exception of Lois Nickerson, all members were present.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Program: Sharon reported that the speaker at the November General Meeting will be Jeane Wampler who will demonstrate a decorative piece for the holidays. Monday, Nov. 23, will feature Rob Barbati, director, and his Cape Henlopen Jazz Band at 1:00 in the auditorium.

Gift Shop: Jeanne Sparks reported that the Bingo coupons have helped to increase their business as well as bring in some new customers. She also pointed out that they have Christmas cards for sale now and will have Christmas merchandise. Jack Sparks gave the financial report: income in October was \$360.00; expenses were \$159.34; net profit was \$200.66. profit forward is \$1,910.44.

Woodworking: Ron Trupp reported that the woodshop is about $\frac{1}{2}$ the size it should be. They re-arranged things recently and are working on a set of training rules for safety to be ready for any new members coming to work in the shop. In addition, they are drawing up a mission statement.

Membership: Dick Cleaveland passed out several copies of his report, noting that attendance at the October General Meeting was a record low.

Library: Mildred Wiedmann reported that things are going very smoothly and that they have a basic need for shelving. She outlined a plan to create additional space to add back to back bookshelves.

Activities: In Don Burgess' absence, President Barbara gave the activities report. They have ordered a block of tickets for *Scrooge*, Sunday, Dec. 13th. The Recyclers now have yellow t-shirts and may be appearing in some of Marketing's promotions. We discussed New Year's Eve and the lack of volunteers to organize entertainment.

Newsletter: Pat noted that the November newsletter is "out" and thanked the writers. Comment made that "this is the best newsletter yet". Newsletter is published four times a year in Nov., Feb., May, and August.

Employee Appreciation: Adele reported that our Treasurer has deposited \$19,150.00 in the account so far. Donations are continuing to come in. In response to the question, Adele indicated that more than half of our residents have contributed so far.

Adele suggested that we should make the occasion of distributing the Christmas checks festive and upbeat. The date is set for Wednesday, December 16th 1-5 p.m. and two volunteers have accepted the positions of Santa Claus and Santa's helper. In response to her request for funds for refreshment, Bob Hein moved that the Employee Appreciation committee may spend up to \$100.00 for refreshments.

Seconded and passed. Howard Parker suggested that we should make cookies as that adds a personal touch. Several people volunteered.

Nominating Committee: Bob Hein stated that the slate will be announced at the November General Meeting and that official nominations will be made at the December General Meeting.

Bylaws Committee: Bob Hein stated that the Bylaws Committee recommends to the Board that the Bylaws be changed so that, in the future, half the Board of Directors will be elected annually to a two-year term, beginning with the 2011 election. In addition the Bylaws Committee is recommending that the Nominating Committee be increased by two members at large. Bob Hein moved that Amendment Four be approved by the Board of Directors and presented to the Members at the December General Meeting for their approval. Seconded and passed. It will be posted on the bulletin board.

BUSINESS

Minutes: The minutes of the Board of Directors of 10/12/09 were accepted as received. The minutes of the General Meeting of 10/19/09 were accepted as received.

Corresponding Secretary: Adele reported that she sent out one sympathy card, and one get well card.

Treasurer: Diantha Pack reported that the October income was \$14,620.00, expenses were \$1,050.60. Balance as of 11/9/09 was \$23,378.19.

Wing and Cottage Reports: Ed Carter mentioned concern about hall safety due to the increase in number of mobile devices now being used by residents. Suggestion made that mirrors be placed at the corners in the halls to improve safety. Woody Seamone mentioned that we have a new resident. Sybil McKennon has recently moved into cottage 34. The suggestion was made that a Welcome New Resident notice be placed in a prominent location.

OLD BUSINESS

Bill Gehron expressed the bowlers' appreciation for Barbara's championing and Vic's understanding that Thursday afternoons are reserved for Wii Bowling.

It was decided that making short little announcements of interest is better than the longer time for Elder News. Because last year an exception was made in giving out employee bonus, Bob Hein moved that we include Stacy (who has left, but was here from the very beginning) in this year's Employee Bonus. Seconded by Adele. Discussion. Motion failed. One abstention.

NEW BUSINESS

Budget Committee: Diantha passed out copies of the proposed budget. After much discussion and a number of questions the budget was accepted as presented.

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Pat O'Hanlon, secretary