THE MOORINGS AT LEWES RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

General Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 20, 2023; 3:30 PM in the Auditorium

WELCOME: President Don Smith welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced Michael Oakes from Springpoint who did a slide presentation on The Moorings' Resident Reserve Fund.

CALL TO ORDER: President Don Smith called the General Meeting to order. There were 80 members present. A moment of silence was observed.

President Smith announced that Tom Reed needs the annual dues checks now so he can complete his budget. He also praised Judy Burgess for her work on the brochure regarding transitioning from IL to Al. He reminded residents to fill out the personal profile on the Community App and said he will take pictures of anyone wanting one. He said Morrisons will have someone here each quarter to report their progress for us. He also reminded residents to check their junk email because regular email sometimes accidentally gets put in it. He reiterated that the management and the Board of Directors of TMALRA are the residents' advocates. They are here to help in all situations where help is needed. Do not hesitate to call on them.

MINUTES: Kathy Holstrom reported that the minutes of the January Board of Directors' Meeting and General Meeting were posted in the Mail Room, the Library, and on the Website. If there are any additions or corrections needed, please put them in writing and place them in Kathy's cubby #135 and she will add them. Otherwise they will be filed.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT: Carol Lader reported that she sent 6 cards this month. Please let her know of anyone who needs a card even just for cheering someone up. She thanked the Floor Reps and others for giving her names. She reminded residents that she does not reveal who suggested that she send a card to someone in need nor does she reveal what the need might be. To have a card delivered to Skilled Nursing, take it to the front desk

TREASURER'S REPORT: Tom Reed reported that as of December 31, 2023 the account balance was \$25,828 less the Employee Appreciation Fund of \$3,043, leaving an operating balance of \$23,311. The income for January was \$2,086 and expenses were \$869 leaving a surplus of \$1,217. As of January 31, 2023 the account balance was \$27,045 less the Employee Appreciation Fund of \$3,043, leaving an operating balance of \$24,002.

ASSISTANT TREASURER'S REPORT: No report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities: Carol Bishop reported that the Committee met and the important new activities are:

February 21, Men's lunch at "Dogfish Head"

Thursdays at 3:30 pm, Three Strikes Shuffleboard

February 23, Dinner at "Red, White, and Basil"

February 28, Hodge Podge Dinner in Chart Room, ticket will determine where you sit and with whom

March 7, Lunch at "Above the Dunes"

March 12, Clear Space "Damn Yankees"

March 14, Ladies' lunch at "Nectars"

March 18, Coastal Concerts "Takas Quartet"

March 21, Men's lunch "Crooked Hammock"

March 23, Wandering Wayfarers, Movie and lunch at Midway "A Man Named Otto"

March 26, Delaware Symphony Orchestra "Masters of Film"

Bylaws: No report

<u>Communication:</u> Sharon Hoover reported that the Newsletter is totally resident-based—not administration. It is written, produced, and paid for by TMALRA. It is not an announcement board, although we occasionally run notices about interesting programs or activities. She would like to see articles from old-timers and new-comers about their travel experiences, hobbies, interests, etc. There are people available to write the articles for you, if needed. The deadline for the next Newsletter is May 1, 2023

There were many favorable comments about the most recent Newsletter. David Bleil does the layout and technical work; Sharon Hoover is the editor.

<u>Dining</u>: Bob Porta reported that the Committee met on February 2nd with 12 members plus Pam Barnette and Don Smith. Discussion centered on the Fall and Winter menus and the obstacles faced in trying to produce them.

Employee Appreciation: Carol Lader reported that all the supplies have been carefully boxed and stored and are ready for next year's campaign.

<u>Gift Shop</u>: Diane Bair reported that the income for January was:

Income: \$512 (Cash, Charges, Bingo)

Expenses: \$129

Total Profit \$383

Many words of appreciation are given to our volunteers and to those who have made donations to the shop!

<u>Library:</u> Judy Burgess reported that the Library has been painted a neutral beige color and looks much better. We have many new residents, so here is a refresher course on how the Library works: There are many different sections: fiction, nonfiction, biography, poetry, short stories, reference books, CDs, and DVDs. You may take out any of these materials and keep them for as long as you are using them. There is a "Return Box" inside one of the doors. There are no sign-up sheets and no penalties if you keep the items longer than a week. We do ask that you return whatever you have borrowed as soon as you have finished using it, as there are others who would like to read, watch, or listen.

In our latest Newsletter, Sherry Chappelle organized a section called "Best Books Read in 2022." There were responses from 14 residents—all women?? We have received many positive comments about this super idea and it will have to be repeated. Thanks, Sherry.

Nominating: No report.

Program: Adele Trout reported that the movies have been put on the Website.

The Programs are as follows:

February 21, "The Appollo Guidance Computer" by Bob Porta

March 21, "The Barons of Rehoboth" by Paul Lovett

May 16, "Dr. David Tam" on Beebe Hospital

<u>Wellness:</u> Gail Bourassa reported that the Committee met on February 6, 2023 with ten members present.

Ed Steiner brought up the subject of the use of an AED in the facility. This had been discussed before and it was decided that the safest thing to do was to pull the emergency cord. There is an AED in the skilled nursing area and there is always a nurse on duty in case of an emergency here.

Jane Lord, Peg Partlow, and Joan Abbott have had husbands transferred to Safe Harbor recently and they will be addressing issues they have encountered that are not discussed or defined elsewhere. They are hoping that this will allow people in the future to be aware of these issues and have them addressed prior to a transfer. Copies of these issues will be delivered to all interested parties.

Residents are unhappy that they are unable to receive the results of lab work, etc. in writing as they find Dr. Sehgal's Patient Portal difficult to use. The request is for Lauri to have a Tech Session to teach the residents how to properly use the Portal.

There was a discussion about residents having emergency contact information and Health Care Proxys available to the front office in the case of an emergency.

There was also a discussion about the availability of some medical supplies, such as fleet enemas, being sold by the Gift Shop. This was discounted because in Independent Living a resident is expected to supply his or her medical supplies when needed. The Cape Pharmacy is able to deliver supplies when ordered. It is thought that medical supplies are inappropriate for the Gift Shop to offer.

Wood Shop: Richard Thomas reported that a new resident visited the shop and was impressed which pleased Richard

Area Reports:

West Wing, 1st floor - Peg Partlow reported that Jack Goubel has moved into Apartment 120; no vacancies

West Wing, 2nd floor - Linda T reported no change; no vacancies

East Wing, 1st floor - Bunny Guerrin reported no change; one vacancy

East Wing, 2nd floor - Diane Bair reported no change; no vacancies

Cottages, Mildred Wiedmann - reported no change; one vacancy

Cottages, Sherry Chappelle – no report

Health Center – Gil Kaufman reported that the census is as follows

Assisted Living 28/30 - 93%

Safe Harbor 12/12 – 100%

Skilled Nursing 30/40 – 75%

Special Reports:

BUILDING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT: No report

RESIDENT LIFE COMMITTEE REPORT: No report

FINANCIAL WORKING GROUP REPORT: Jim McMullen reported that the year 2022 was good. We are looking at the statistics and will have our regular meeting with Springpoint management on February 21, 2023.

TRUSTEES REPORT: No report.

DEI COMMITTEE REPORT: No report

SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT: No report

OPEN FORUM: There was a discussion of the brochure being developed for Assisted Living. There was also a discussion on developing a brochure about transferring a spouse to memory care. It was eventually decided that this is not a TMALRA responsibility.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Anyone needing the phone numbers of Michael Oakes at Springpoint may get them from Kathy Holstrom.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm. Respectfully submitted, Kathy Holstrom, Secretary