MINUTES CADBURY AT LEWES RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING

Monday, November 21, 2016; 3:30 pm in the Auditorium

President Jane Lord called the meeting to order. There were 63 members present. A moment of silence was observed.

MINUTES: The minutes of the October 10, 2016 Board of Directors' Meeting and October 17, 2016 General meeting were posted in the Mail Room and the Library. No additions or corrections were needed and they will be filed.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT: Binky Tompkins reported that she sent four cards and told us how much she appreciates our letting her know of those who need a card.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Gil Kaufman reported that the balance as of October 1, 2016 was \$11,299. Income for October was \$31,304 and expenses were \$1,083 leaving a net amount of \$31,175. The balance as of October 31, 2016 was \$41,521 including an Employee Appreciation carryover of \$31,175. The actual CALRA operating balance is \$10,346.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

<u>Activities</u>: Carol Bishop reported that activities scheduled for the rest of November are: Men's lunch at Jimmy's Grill, Capital Ringers at St. Peter's Church, Shopping at Dollar Store, Monthly trip to Dover Downs, 2nd Street Players – "A Christmas Carol," and Lunch at Grandpa Mac's. In December, scheduled are: The Christmas Tour of Lewes homes, Clear Space play "Meet Me In St. Louis," Dinner at the Buttery, Lunch at Panera Bread, Bus trip to the Lewes Library, Trip to the Salisbury Mall, Mid-Atlantic Symphony Orchestra performance, Holiday Concert at Epworth, Cadbury Chorus Christmas Concert, Dinner at Micheys, Lunch at Café on Rt. 26 in Ocean View, The Winter Wonderfest Light Spectacular and Christmas Village at Cape Henlopen State Park

Ron Trupp reported the results of the first Shuffleboard Tournament: The winners of the Highest Percentage of Games Won were The Sisters (Pat Cummings and Fran Mason). The winners of the Most Number of Games Won were The Shufflers (Rebecca Rogers and Llywella Stuchlik). Trophies were given to the winners. Ron will have maintenance remove and store the green shuffleboard surface tiles for the winter months.

<u>Communication:</u> Woody Seamone reported that the Committee met on November 6th. Progress is continuing on the software contract with Fine Line, Inc. Questions and comments from the Committee are being exchanged by Email. This type of discussion will continue and no controversy has been apparent so far. Fine Line will be billing us monthly. There is a need for a review of the use of the TV channel for information for residents. This area will be discussed with Deb Hamilton to see how the system works and if changes are needed. Here is a reminder of the password needed to access the private data for Cadbury residents: lewesde. The user ID is CALRA.

Dining: Alan Ward reported that the Committee met on November 3rd and the main focus was on the new menus. The number of comment cards increased from 13 in September to 53 in October. The comments on the new menus were mixed and the committee will continue to focus on them. There was a suggestion to keep the Bistro open during "off hours" and to increase the lighting for the Bistro menu board. There will be special notices for the holiday and special meals. The comments on meals continue to be in the range of good to very good.

Employee Appreciation: Jim McMullen reported that during October we collected \$29,358 from 97 individuals. That is 53% of the resident base. So far in November we have collected an additional \$12,000. The cookie sign-up sheets are posted in the mailroom and the cubby box area. The employees' gift checks will be distributed December 7 from 1 to 5 pm in the Bistro.

Gift Shop: Gil Kaufman reported that the income for October 2016 was \$771 and expenses were \$383. As of October 31, 2016 the net profit was \$389. The net profit for the year is \$3,743. We have Cadbury bee honey for sale and it is going fast.

Library: Judy Burgess reported that several members of the Committee met on November 4th to do a major housekeeping of the library shelves. This included our newest member, Marianne Jarvis. More than a dozen bags of fiction books were taken to the Book Fair and Annual Christmas Boutique at the Biden Center by Jim Bazzoli. Our library now contains more than 75 books from our Christmas collection on a shelf above the T to Z books. Sharon Hoover has written an article about some of this collection that will appear in our next CALRA Newsletter. The Activity Committee is arranging for the trips to the Lewes Library every three weeks to coordinate with the library's book loaning practices. The Lewes Library offers many activities that should interest Cadburyites. On Tuesdays at 2 pm there is an Adult Coloring Club. A Free Write session is held on Wednesdays at 6 pm. Yoga fans can participate in LaughaYoga on Friday mornings. A program earlier in November discussed the native peoples of Delaware during colonial times. The Library also provides a shop with books for adults and children (average price of hard backs - \$2), artwork, and other goods with volunteers willing to help make selections. The next Committee meeting will be December 8th at 3 pm.

Newsletter: Pat O'Hanlan sent word that that the next newsletter will be out at the end of November.

<u>Nominating:</u> Adele Trout reported that the Committee has completed the task of securing nominees for the following offices: President – Gil Kaufman, Vice President – Bill Gehron (one-year term), Secretary – Kathy Holstrom, Treasurer – Jim McMullen, Assistant Treasurer – Frank Dynan, East Wing First Floor Representative – Bunny Guerrin, Cottage Representative – Frances Mason, and Assisted Living Representative – Dick Kaufman. The election of officers will take place during the December 19th General Meeting. (To be noted: Nominations from the floor may be received provided the person nominated has previously agreed to serve if elected. In that event, a vote by written ballot will be conducted.) The Nominating Committee Members were introduced and thanked for their efforts.

Program: Nancy Krail reported that the monthly 7 pm Programs will be:

December 11 - Cadbury Chorus Christmas Concert

December 20 – Rick Steves' European Christmas

Rebecca Rogers reported that the Medicare Rx Assistance Program was very successful. Several of the participants were able to save \$600 a year.

Woodshop: Ron Trupp reported that the current balance in the wood shop treasury is \$32.18. The Shop has repaired a shelf and made a set of bed risers. The main activity has been the completion of items for sale at the Arts and Craft Show beginning November 11 which will be sold through the Office of Philanthropy with 25% of the receipts benefitting the Resident Reserve Fund. Richard Thomas has joined the people working in the Shop. The items will remain in the halls into January.

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WING AND COTTAGE REPORTS:

West Wing, 2nd floor – Kathy Holstrom reported that Florence Nahigian moved into Apt. 221 and was introduced

West Wing, 1st floor - Karen Consolini reported that Barbara and Carl Starkweather moved into Apt. 104 and were introduced

East Wing, 1st floor - Bunny Guerrin reported that there were no new move-ins

East Wing, 2nd floor – Lois Wills reported that there were no new move-ins

Cottages - Don Wiedmann reported that there were no new move-ins

NEW BUSINESS: In response to a question about what happened to our bees, Tom Lord explained that he had to close the opening to the hive from the outside due to spraying being done in the field across the street. We are informed of spraying that will be done by the owner of the field so we can make provisions against the bees being harmed. This time, the bees reacted to the closing and stormed the opening and smothered themselves. We will be replacing them and will be adding a new hive.

Bunny Guerrin reported that there will be a coloring event held Monday, November 28th in the Bistro from 1 to 3 pm. Everyone is invited to come and watch or participate in this event. Books and pens and pencils will be provided. She also suggested that we form a "Coloring Club." Anyone interested can sign up at the event on the 28th.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Holstrom, Secretary