## **MINUTES**

## THE MOORINGS AT LEWES RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

Monday, August 13, 2018; 3:30 pm in the Welcome Room

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Gil Kaufman called the meeting to order. All Directors were present except George Maxey, Sharon Hoover, and Corinne Lehman. A moment of silence was observed

**MINUTES:** The minutes of the June 11, 2018 Board of Directors' Meeting and the June 18, 2018 General Meeting were posted in the Mail Room and the Library. There were no corrections or additions and they will be filed.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT**: Marianne Jarvis reported that she sent 9 cards.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**: Jim McMullen reported that the balance as of May 31, 2018 was \$10,294 including the Employee Appreciation Fund of \$1,278. The actual operating balance was \$9,016. Income for June and July 2018 was \$1,719 and expenses were \$1,529 leaving a net amount of \$189. The balance as of July 31, 2018 was \$10,482 including an Employee Appreciation carryover of \$1,278. The actual TMALRA operating balance is \$9,205. Some of the Employee Appreciation check recipients have not yet cashed their checks, so there is approximately \$2,000 still in our account. Jim is contacting these people.

**REPORT FROM THE MOORINGS AT LEWES MANAGEMENT:** Gil Kaufman reported that Michael Oates would like to meet with our Board of Directors in the future; the schedule is still to be decided. Two meetings will occur before we meet again: TMAL Quarterly Financial Review with the Financial Working Group on August 23<sup>rd</sup> and TMAL Board of Trustees Meeting on September 7<sup>th</sup>.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

<u>Activities</u>: Carol Bishop reported that the Shuffleboard League finished its very enjoyable play on August 11<sup>th</sup> with 24 people competing on 12 teams.

The Cadbury Chorus is seeking a Director. It is important to keep the chorus together and Nancy Krail has offered to rehearse with the chorus starting on Labor Day to go over the National Anthem to be sung by them at the opening of the Heart Walk in October.

Jeanne Wampler has offered to plan various Wednesday trips-- outings offering boxed lunches from our kitchen deducted from our monthly statements. The first will be to the Cape Henlopen Nature Center on September 12<sup>th</sup>.

Andy's Mystery Tour is back with two trips to take place September 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. Don't forget to get your check to the front desk for the Sunset Cruise--\$20 to TMALRA. Twenty-two folks have already signed up. There will be a Clam Bake with a band on September 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Bylaws**: Jane Lord reported that there are currently no issues before the Committee.

<u>Communications</u>: Sallie Corbishley reported that the Pictorial Directory was distributed in July. Extra copies are being given to the Area Representatives to hand out when new residents move in. The TV channel is a management tool and is not the responsibility of TMALRA. Concerns should be taken to management. The Newsletter will be out next week. The next meeting will be at the end of September.

<u>Dining</u>: Gil Kaufman reported for Corinne Lehman that data from the opinion cards turned in showed: Food Quality Ratings for June and July were 3.50 and 3.56 (up from 2.7 in May)

Overall Average Ratings were 4.5 and 4.5 (up from 3.7 in May)

Jeff Smith has become dissatisfied with the card ratings, considering them less reliable than desired. Therefore, he has asked his hostesses to roam around the dining room during meals, asking residents how they are enjoying their meals. These are serious questions and the answers will be recorded. If there is dissatisfaction, the hostesses want to know and report them, so please respond accordingly.

Jeff also reported that he is having a variety of new equipment installed in the kitchen, including a more versatile oven and heater which he expects to improve efficiencies in the kitchen.

Staffing in Dining Services continues to be a problem and may get worse when young servers go back to school. Some of the older employees are continuing to have problems with the new Horizon computers. Late August/September may be challenging times in the dining room.

The Wednesday night theme suppers seem to be well-received and the decision was made to continue them through September (maybe permanently). Jeff would welcome more ideas for themes. The decision was made that, whenever the theme Wednesdays end, they will not return to Wednesday evening buffets; they will return to normal dining room service.

Jeff is now receiving rebate checks for food purchases made utilizing Springpoint's procedures, so he is pleased about that.

<u>Employee Appreciation:</u> Jim McMullen for George Maxey reported that the initial meeting will be held in two weeks.

**Gift Shop**: Elsie Gould reported that the income from June and July totaled \$1,179 and expenses were \$235. \$944 was contributed to the treasury. The cumulative amount is \$2,908.

Walking sticks created in the Woodshop are for sale in the Gift Shop for \$50 each. Three quarters of the price goes to the Resident Reserve Fund and one quarter goes to the Gift Shop. The length of each stick is tailored to the buyer.

Donations are still needed so keep the Shop in mind when you come across something that needs a new home.

<u>Library</u>: Judy Burgess reported that Dean Hoover has made an orange wooden "Suggestion Box" for the Library. It is for any suggestions people have for books they would like to have ordered or for ideas as how to make the Library even better or more friendly for users.

There will be a housekeeping session Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup> during which badly worn or duplicate books will be identified and re-arrangement and tidying-up will be done.

The next meeting will be on September 13<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm.

**Nominating:** Jane Lord reported that the Committee includes the Past President, Independent Living Area Representatives, and Members-at-Large Jim Sylvanus and Bill Dunn.

According to the Bylaws, in even-numbered years, the President, Vice President, Secretary, and one representative each from the Cottages and from the East and West Wings are to be elected for a term of two years.

When a sitting officer, in the middle of a two-year term, is nominated for one of these positions, the Committee will also nominate someone to fill the unexpired term.

The Committee has already held two meetings during the summer and a full slate of nominees is expected to be ready for the September Board of Directors' Meeting.

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**<u>Program</u>**: Rich Woolley reported that the monthly 7 pm programs will be:

September 18th - Wildlife in National Parks by Dee Langevin
October 16<sup>th</sup> – American Indians by Jon Newsome
November 20<sup>th</sup> – Lewes, Delaware: Coastal Stories by Robert Casseday
December 18<sup>th</sup> – "Blood Diamond" – murder mystery group from Zwanandael

<u>Woodshop:</u> Ron Trupp reported that the current balance in the Shop is \$146.76. It is concentrating on making canes for sale in Gift Shop. There are two designs: the conventional straight round shaft and the more natural tree-limb look of a twisted shaft. Both are being made and sold.

The new lathe is being used by Richard Thomas and Dean has made a large table for a resident's kitchen and several long tables with natural bark edges. He has also made two large storage cases to hold Chorus music in the auditorium.

## **AREA REPORTS:**

West Wing, 1<sup>st</sup> floor – Nancy Krail reported that there has been no change
West Wing, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor – Pat Cummings reported that Marlene Sosnowik has moved into Apartment 211
East Wing, 1<sup>st</sup> floor – Bunny Guerrin reported that there has been no change
East Wing, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor – Adele Trout reported that there has been no change
Cottages – Frances Mason reported that there has been no change
Assisted Living – Dick Kauffman reported that three people have moved into Safe Harbor and one person has moved into AL

**FINANCIAL GROUP REPORT:** Jack Chapin reported what has transpired so far and the report is attached as the last three pages of these minutes.

**OLD BUSINESS**: Gil Kaufman asked if there was any interest in visiting a Springpoint CCRC which would entail a 3.5 hour drive each way plus the visit and lunch. There was no one interested at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 4:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Holstrom, Secretary