**Lake Barcroft Village**

**Board of Directors Meeting**

**November 9, 2022 MINUTES (Revised)**

President Ellen Raphaeli called the November 9, 2022, meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 3:19 p.m. Also present were Liz Gianturco, Ross Kory, Cathy Williams, Jane Guttman, Walt Cooper, Lisa Dubois, Beth Auerbach, Sue Morse, and Executive Director Cindy Waters. Sam Rothman was absent.

After a request from Ellen for any further additions, the Board approved the agenda for the November meeting. The revised minutes of the October 13, 2022, meeting, prepared by Cathy Williams, in the absence of Secretary Sue Morse, were also approved.

Treasurer’s Report – Ross Kory presented the treasurer’s report which was approved. He noted in his October report that renewals and donations are down and expenses are up because of the $2,665 annual insurance premium. Despite the net income being down, LBV is still on track to exceed planned income for the year. Ross discussed the financial review with the CPA but still doesn’t have a draft in hand. After some back and forth with the accountant, he pulled together a 501c3 certification which cost $6.00.

Referring to the loss of members, Cindy added information from her report about members who have resigned.

Executive Director’s Report -- Cindy Waters referred the Board members to her October report. Cindy continued her discussion about the loss of members. A question came up about which type of membership was losing the most, social versus full members. She reported that three left because of health concerns, financial reasons, and too much traveling. Another couple did not give a reason for leaving. The Co-ed lunch, along with some other activities, were canceled in October. Only seven people attended Happy Hour. Cindy would like to use the Happy Hour as a recruitment tool for new members. The Mandelbergs have offered to have a Winter Solstice party on December 21 instead of keeping the Happy Hour for December. Cindy suggested that the Keeping in Touch group leaders could encourage more members to attend the Happy Hours.

Currently, Cindy is using three regular volunteers for transportation needs.

Vice President Liz Gianturco reported on the status of the ad hoc committee, Rethinking Committees and Updating Bylaws for the Website. Liz asked for suggestions for members of the Nominations Committee. Rick Kercz, Marcia Grabowski, and Eliana Turino were recommended.

**Committee Reports**

Communications Committee Chair Jane Guttman announced that she would not be running for the LBV Board again, but that she will continue as the newsletter editor. She still would like to report to someone on the Board.

Fundraising Committee Chair Lisa DuBois gave the following update on fundraising: A draft letter to LBV professional business partners will be finalized very soon. Lisa would like to discuss the letter of solicitation.by highlighting changes that she has made since the last version. In addition, she would like members to review the previous list of sponsors. Lisa further suggested Valentine’s Day as a good opportunity to have the wine-tasting fundraiser and she is still considering having a Corn Hole tournament for a fundraiser at next spring’s Sand Day or the opening of the beaches. In order to sponsor a fund raiser on one of the beaches, an LBV Board member must appear before the LBA to request an exception.

Volunteers and Services Committee Chair Walt Cooper announced that he had nothing to report for this committee.

Program Committee Chair Walt Cooper reported that one person has committed to participating in mentoring students at Bailey’s Elementary School. Walt expressed his discouragement about the cancellation of some October events. Of the 17 scheduled events, 6 were canceled. In order to increase participation in events, Walt asked about where we might want to hold them (in homes or in restaurants) and whether members are still skittish about being in close quarters.

Keeping in Touch Chair Cathy Williams told the Board that she will ask the KIT captains to encourage their neighbors to attend Happy Hour. She also added information about the planned video of Louise Ziebell’s exercises which will be shared with our members.

Operations Committee Chair Beth Auerbach had no report.

Technology Committee Chairs Jane Guttman and Ross Kory are still working on getting volunteers to work with the website. Jane reported a sign-on problem with the Wix software, which has made it impossible for any new people to join.

**Old Business**

Auditor’s Report

No report.

Vanguard Fund Account

No report.

Gift Bags

Cindy reported that Marcia Grabowski has taken full ownership of the gift bag project. She has purchased everything for the bags and is now waiting for Don Christian to return from Japan so he can provide the final printed items. She still needs to set the date for delivery.

Biennial Report

No report.

Helpful Village

No report

Survey of members enrolled/resigned

Ellen said that she will draft some survey questions before we meet again. She suggested a brief letter asking what has worked for members, and what they enjoyed the most. She believes it is not the right time to do a detailed survey. Because of the last two years of the Pandemic, she thinks we should ask what type of meetings make members feel safe. Have people been avoiding in-person meetings or Zoom? Replies will be anonymous.

**New Business**

Preparations for November Quarterly Meeting

Ellen reported that she will prepare the Power Point slide deck for the November Quarterly meeting. She has not yet spoken to the presenter from the Burke Historical Society.

Masks will be recommended but not required. It was asked that the chair set up be socially distanced. Cindy will bring bottled water, sign-in sheets, and name tags. A suggestion to sell the safety vests at the March Quarterly meeting will be addressed at the next Board meeting.

Nominating Committee

Covered in other part of meeting.

Celebration of 10th Anniversary of the Village

Ellen suggested we defer discussion to the December meeting. The topic was tabled.

Determan Offer

The Board agreed to accept the generous offer from Sally Determan to provide LBV members with free advice on estate planning.

Ellen requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Beth moved and Walt seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Morse, Secretary

Next Board meeting – December 8 at 3:15 pm via Zoom