

Lake Barcroft Village
Meeting of Board of Directors
January 14, 2021
Minutes

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held via Zoom on January 14, 2021. The meeting was called to order by Jane Guttman at 3:30.

In Attendance: Jane Guttman, Ross Kory, Richard Morton, Ellen Raphaeli, Sam Rothman, Shirley Timashev, Cathy Williams, Linda Woodrow, and Cindy Waters (LBV Executive Director).

Absent: Beth Auerbach .

Minutes of December 10, 2020, distributed prior to the meeting, were now approved.

REPORTS:

President's Report:

Helpful Village: Richard reported that he and others had tested various features of Helpful Village and found them to work exactly as advertised. Cindy noted that while software did its job in keeping records of volunteers, there had been problems in the simulation both in signing up for events and in getting a list of attendees at events.

Vice President's Report: [Report of Nominating Committee comprising the slate of candidates for positions on the Board of Directors was distributed before the meeting.] Marcia Grabowski and Liz Gianturco have been named as candidates for the incoming Board and Cathy Williams has agreed to continue to serve. Beth Auerbach was assisted on the Nominating Committee by Adele Neuberg and Vic Utgoff.

Executive Director's Report:

The Executive Director's Report for December was distributed before the meeting [see attachment]. Cindy reported that she was still waiting for 5 renewals of membership. She has been regularly disseminating to Village members any information or updates she receives from the county health department regarding covid vaccines. She has contacted by telephone those members—and even former members—who do not use computers to be certain they have relevant information and to offer assistance in registering for the vaccine.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's Report for December and the Year-End Report for 2020 were distributed before the meeting [see attachments]. Ross reported that revenue for the year fell short by about \$5,000. There had been only limited fundraising, donations were down, and the Village has fewer members than the ideal of 90-100. However, the shortfall was offset by reductions in spending, including the

postponement of the anniversary dinner and the deferring of the financial review. Right now, a financial review would be encumbered by the fact that Cindy gets the funds from membership and donations while Ross does the accounting; the review will be much easier once Helpful Village puts in place a bridge between the two functions. For the 2021 budget, Ross is planning on \$45,000 revenue. He said we would need a few more members to achieve that. Billing by Helpful Village is, at present, based on 82 members. The Treasurer's Report was approved.

In discussion following the report, it was decided by the BOD that, given the uncertainties presented by the pandemic and the willingness of 2941 to allow us to postpone again the event for which they hold our \$500 deposit, we should defer the annual party at 2941 until May of 2022. For 2021, we will increase the allotment for holiday bags to something like \$30-35 each. Cindy said that she has been speaking with Lisa Dubois, who would like to do a fundraiser.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Communications: The Communications Committee's report for January was distributed before the meeting [see attachment]. Jane reported that she has enough material for the *LB Newsletter*. Deadline for articles for *The Villager* is January 30th, and Jane will need photos and bios of the candidates for the Board of Directors by that time.

Fundraising: Fundraising continues to be stymied by the pandemic, but Shirley said that she hopes to be able to have some kind of event in the fall. Shirley suggested that the Village be proactive in outreach to see that Village members get assistance as needed in dealing with frustrations of signing up for COVID vaccination. A team of people who had successfully completed sign ups could help others. Meeting such needs would be a favorable point to make later in fundraising.

Programs: The Program Committee's report for January was distributed before the meeting [see attachment]. Cathy reported we'll be adding a new activity—a mystery book club. Cindy will host its first gathering.

Member Services:

Member Relations: Linda reported that a KIT meeting will be held next month. Leaders will distribute File of Life magnets to members and suggest that they keep one on their refrigerator and another in their car.

Policies and Procedures:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

It was moved and seconded to approve the Slate of Nominees and the Slate was unanimously approved.

We will need to find a guest speaker for the Quarterly Meeting in March.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:45, at which time the Board of Directors went into Executive Session.

Meeting was reconvened at 5:08.

Amended Treasurer's Report was presented and approved.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:09.

Next Board Meeting: February 10, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Raphaeli, Secretary