

**Lake Barcroft Village**  
**Meeting of Board of Directors**  
**August 13, 2020**  
**Minutes**

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held via Zoom on August 13, 2020. The meeting was called to order by Richard Morton at approximately 3:35.

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

Minutes of June 11, 2020, distributed prior to the meeting, were now approved. [Note: Because Covid-19 had led to the cancellation of so many Village activities, the Board did not meet in July.]

**REPORTS:**

**President's Report:**

Helpful Village: Richard reported that he, Ross, and Jane had discussed the problems that persisted with Helpful Village and that he had sent an email both enumerating difficulties LBV was having and suggesting some changes in structure that would make the system more user friendly. As of the time of the meeting, Helpful Village had not responded to the email.

**Vice President's Report:** [no separate report]

**Executive Director's Report:**

The Executive Director's Report for July was distributed before the meeting [see attachment]. Cindy noted that membership was down a bit--from about 90 members in December to about 80 at present--due to several members moving from Lake Barcroft and one couple choosing not to renew. She was meeting with one likely new member and was waiting for the return of one previous member.

**Treasurer's Report:**

The Treasurer's Report for July was distributed before the meeting [see attachment]. Ross reported that funds were down a bit but not significantly so and that, in fact, the Village's financial performance in 2020 was stronger than in the two previous years in terms of both net income and cash reserves. He noted that it would be helpful if LBV gained a few more members as the Village would be more financially secure if it could count on membership income of at least \$35,000.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Communications:** The Communications Committee's report for July was distributed before the meeting [see attachment]. Jane reported that the August *Villager* was in process of being distributed.

**Fundraising:** There was no separate report. However, Shirley suggested that we ought to be working on membership outreach to neighboring communities.

**Programs:** The Program Committee's report for July was distributed before the meeting [see attachment]. Cathy reported that the responses to the Program Committee's questionnaire had identified several areas of member interest. Two new programs that were already being scheduled were Travel Vignettes, with Nancy Mattson and Linda co-leading the first session, and history discussion group with Rick Kercz and Shirley co-leading the first session. Other special interest areas waiting for a program leader are movies (Sam volunteered to take that on), art, birdwatching, and games.

A book discussion group met for the first time in July and will meet again in September. The picnic party at the home of Beth Auerbach is scheduled for August 29 and will be limited to 25 people.

**Member Services:** Shirley reported that, at present, about 25 per cent of members are participating in the Zoom Together gatherings. The August Tech Topic is Organizing Photos; the September topic is Using Zoom.

It was noted that a couple of members of the Memoir Writing group are not, in fact, LBV members. It was suggested that, since they are using LBV services, they be urged to join the Village or, should they choose not to join, to make a donation to LBV.

**Member Relations:** Linda reported that a KIT meeting was to be held shortly. In answer to a question, it was noted that team leaders in some areas arrange for small gatherings.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Sam noted that the names of two committees have changed. He will check whether the bylaws will need to be changed to reflect the new names.

The speaker for the Quarterly Membership Meeting will be Jan Barrett. She will be talking about nutrition.

A couple of people have indicated that they are willing to give barge rides to small groups of people.

**Meeting was adjourned at 4:49**

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Raphaeli, Secretary

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