

**HSIA BOARD MEETING
THE KEY SCHOOL
September 29, 2005**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Shuman, Bruce Walker, Kate Penn, Bill Anderson

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF: Jean Somers, Jim Schwallenberg

GUESTS: Anastasia Hopkinson, Scott Mobley, Ken Sweet, Ray Sullivan, Dawn Miller, Paul Miller, Scott Smith, Colleen O'Connell-Mitchell, Kathy Ballman

Bill Shuman called the meeting to order at 7:25 pm.

Minutes from the August Board Meeting were distributed and accepted with a minor change.

ANNAPOLIS NECK PENINSULA FEDERATION: Bill Shuman introduced Scott Mobley and Anastasia Hopkinson from the Annapolis Neck Peninsula Federation as guest speakers. Scott made a presentation about ANPF's stand against Annapolis City annexation. He also spoke about the Parole project. The city of Annapolis is planning approximately 2,700 housing units to be developed. ANPF requests the support of Hillsmere residents and all residents on the peninsula as the ANPF takes a stand against annexation.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bruce Walker reported that we \$143,500.38 in the bank for our Operating Account. We have borrowed roughly \$18,000.00 from this account to cover our shortage in Special Tax funds. We will need to borrow approximately another \$14,000.00 until we get our first Special Tax disbursement from the County.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Nothing to report.

ADMINISTRATIVE: Jean Somers reported that we have 632 members to date. We have collected \$2,811.00 for the Hurricane Relief Fund. Some of this money was collected at the Hillsmere yard sale along with goods that were shipped to New Orleans by Kate Penn. The October *Sea Breeze* deadline is September 30 and the November *Sea Breeze* deadline is October 20 (due to the board election). Bios are due to Jean by October 26 and will be included as inserts in the November issue.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE: Ted Shepherd gave a report on the rules for the board election and mentioned that a few of the current board members will be running again. Bruce Walker will oversee the counting of ballots the night of the general meeting, since we don't have a current HSIA secretary.

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER: Kate Penn reported that about one dozen people came to the beach to help with our community service day and some much needed projects were completed.

COMMUNITY SURVEY: Bruce Walker reported that 51 surveyors are 90% hard at work. We just passed the 50% return level. Twenty-nine surveyors achieved greater than 50% return. We have 658 completed surveys – 248 were done online and 410 were paper returns. We are extending the survey to the end of October and will advertise with signage.

PIERS & HARBOR: Ken Sweet reported that a fire inspection revealed insufficient fire extinguishers at the sandspit. Ken will install two more fire extinguishers at \$140.00 each. We also need to create a fire lane and an additional ladder is needed. Additional lights and repairs are also needed. Bill Shuman asked Ken Sweet to submit a list of items needed for the board's review.

BEACH: Bill Shuman reported for Judy Steinberg that she is interested in purchasing a 5-foot grill to replace 2 grills at the beach. Bill Shuman recommends not purchasing a 5-foot grill. This purchase is not critical at this time and we may want to replace the current grills with two grills of the same size. Bill Anderson has started taking down the sea nettle net. Treatment of the net did not prevent growth because the net was dipped in a plastic coat.

BUDGET: Bruce Walker reported that he received some input for the 2007 budget. The semi-final budget is to be created and presented at the November general meeting.

TRAFFIC: Nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: The next community work day is scheduled for Saturday, April 22. Candidate Phil Bissett would like to speak at a general meeting. Bill Shuman will write him and decline. Next year we will try to have a "candidate night" and invite all candidates for an opportunity to speak.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Somers
Administrator