

## Silver Bay Council Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2016 7pm Watson

Meeting was preceded by a power point slide show of pictures of volunteers and tidy time activities taken during this weekend by Laura Nagy

WELCOME... ATTENDANCE ROSTER... ADOPTING AGENDA: President Elyce Brown

- Elyce acknowledged Laura Nagy for the pictures and power point. She also thanked everyone for their efforts throughout the weekend.
- It was announced that Rob Fisher's Silver Bay Story show would be presented after the meeting.
- Team Leader meeting is Sunday morning in the dining room and open to all. The goal of the meeting is to debrief the weekend and determine anything that would make thing go more smoothly.
- The attendance roster was passed around for corrections.
- Motion was made to adopt the agenda. Motion was seconded. All voted and motion passed.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT: Executive Director Steve Tamm reported on the status of initiatives and operations at Silver Bay.

Steve acknowledged that it is good to have people back on campus and that the heart and soul of Silver Bay is people like the Council coming back year after year. He encouraged everyone to sign up for his regular email updates sent out every 6-8 weeks.

Updates on projects:

- First Floor of the Inn: rooms have been gutted and redone, to improve ADA accessibility room 114 has been enlarged, some rooms have a new sleeper couch. Water damage was found, stones were found in the walls (possibly a fire break) but the first floor is complete.
- Watson: new carpeting has been installed. Carpet tiles were not used due to the condition of the floor
- Morse Hall: new carpet tiles were installed, new bathrooms were completed with greater ADA accessibility.
- Maple Cottage: the windows fixed, carpeting and flooring replaced along with other touch-ups. If it is fully rented this year it can bring in approximately \$40,000 in revenue.
- Other buildings: Field Memorial needs a roof, Sproul Pavilion needs a roof, the back of Morse Hall has a concrete wall in poor condition that will be taken down
- Trees and Landscaping: an assessment of trees resulted in pruning and trimming done in order to save trees, some badly rotted trees were removed. The straw covered mound of dirt running around the auditorium yard is there to slow water runoff. The dark silt fence will remain until grass grows. The stones at the base of the stream and bridge are for the same purpose.
- Unplanned problems: a sprinkler system leak, pipes freezing in the dish room, a hot water heater that needed to be replaced for \$40,000 but which can be used in the new center
- Parking: Of our 700 acres there are 8 useable acres. Parking in the North field near the lake creates problems of fluids seeping into the ground water along with compromising the aesthetics of the view. The modern septic system to be installed in the north field will accommodate the new center and update the whole system. The soil currently piled in the north field was taken from the new parking area because it is the type of soil that percs well for the new water system and is a savings of \$100,000. Some of the soil has also been piled in the Oneida Bay area for the same purpose. The new parking lot will open this summer. Information will be sent out. We want to promote a pedestrian environment and will use carts to shuttle people from the parking lot. The Bayview parking lot is combined with the new terraced lots and there will be a pedestrian walking path through the lots. There will be minimized paved surfaces and the parking lot is the first LID (Low Impact Development) certified surface.
- The New Center: Currently there is a detailed cost estimate going on with data from a professional estimator on how much of each material will be needed. We are in design phase discussions with agencies and more design elements information will come later. There are many jurisdictional issues as the center is located on multiple lots involving different zoning and density issues. The center is a 40,000 sq. ft. project and this is larger than the local agencies generally experience. Each step takes time. Cost: we have raised \$13 million and want to raise \$2 million more. We are considering a loan and are evaluating if we can handle the debt of a loan. We would

prefer to raise the money but must also keep Silver Bay viable. In 2017 there will be an almost 8% increase in minimum wage followed by a 7 ½% increase the following year. We have to look at our business model as we face these changes. Look for information in the upcoming emails.

COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS:

- Elyce Brown asked how long there would be parking on the North field. Steve responded that it will close when the new lot opens and will ultimately become a green area. In the design phase right now are plans slowing storm water runoff on the north field and may possibly include a pond.
- Pam Fisher asked if Bay Beach is complete and what the status is of the walkway. Steve responded the we must look at the whole picture of the walkway and storm water runoff. There is talk of connecting Collins to Slim Point with a side path down to the docks. The best material is a porous stone composite that lets water through but is safe and easy for walking, strollers, and wheelchairs. This material could also be used on the upper path from the gym to the tennis courts. The cost for the pathways is approximately \$200,00 to \$250,000. There may be a possible donor.
- Nancy Thiel asked about the status of the marina. Carolyn Close responded that all of necessary paperwork has been filed and she does not foresee any issues for the permits.
- The question was asked if they would be making Oneida bay improvements. Response was that the Oneida Bay issues involve a different agency.
- Jane Sheldon asked about the greenhouse. Steve responded that the hope was to have it moved for this weekend but was not possible due to other projects. It should be ready for the fall work weekend. We do need to file for storm water permits and as time goes by regulations get more intense. We want to tie the greenhouse in to our outdoor program area with the nature center. Lew Rarig asked if there is a concern about the amount of light the greenhouse will get. Steve responded that the green house will not be a year round greenhouse. It will open in April and be used in the summer from a programming standpoint not as a year-round nursery.

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD REPORT: Board President Mike D’Attilio made comments from the perspective of the Board of Directors

- Mike commented that he appreciates the Council. He noted that he served 2 terms as President of the Council and his wife worked at the porch sales. He said that he considers the Council to be the doers.
- Mike’s update is that the Board meetings were very positive. He said that the Board is staying out of the “weeds” and looking to Steve and his team to do the work. He said that much has been accomplished in less than a year of Steve being on board.
- Mike remarked that the council is a team effort and they make major things happen.
- Mike echoed Steve in saying that the new center will happen but we still need \$2 million and everyone should consider making a pledge, renewing a pledge or contributing to the campaign. Even small contributions help.

OFFICER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer: Jane Sheldon provided the following financial update:

CHECKING ACCOUNT	
Balance as of October 10, 2015	<u>7,847.73</u>
Plus sale of Tidy Time T-shirts	355.00
Balance as of May 21, 2016	<u>8,202.73</u>
SAVINGS ACCOUNT	<u>3,250.96</u>
TOTAL CASH ON HAND	<u>11,453.69</u>
Less amount held for expenses	(1,000.00)
Less amount held for greenhouse	(1,103.48)
Less amount held for sailfish sails	(1,600.00)
Less amount held for transport cart	(6,000.00)
TOTAL AMT AVAILABLE FOR ALLOCATIONS	1750.21

Paul Duggan asked if the sunfish sails were already allocated. Response was that we voted to allocate up to \$1600 for Silver Bay to use as they needed for sails. Rob Fisher reported Silver Bay ordered 8 sunfish sails with windows. They found good prices and the order was placed at different places in order to have different colors for each of the sails to enable them to be more easily identified.

Allocations: Katie Calendrillo reported on allocation requests

Elyce commented that all allocation requests should go to Katie at least one month prior to the meeting in order for the requests to go through the process

**Golf Cart purchase:**

Discussion: Flame and the nurse's carts are dead. Silver bay is looking to buy multiple carts as a package in order to get the best price. Jane Sheldon commented that we voted to allocate for a 6 seater cart to be used as a shuttle. Caroline responded that they are looking to purchase the 6 seater we allocated for and possibly 3 other carts (some gas and some electric)

**Request for AED:**

Discussion: Pam Fisher made a request for \$2050 for an AED for Spritual Life Center. Carolyn commented that there is an AED in the gym and one at the main desk so this would cover the north end of campus. Pam commented that it is recommended that an AED be no more than 1 ½ minutes away from the location of a person needing it because response time is critical. Ann Erling asked if it would make sense for us to borrow from one account in order to allocate the money. Katie responded that according to the bylaws it is not possible to allocate money we do not have. Question was asked if Silver Bay could just cover that cost. Carolyn commented that she could not respond to that. Matt Calendrillo asked if it was required legally. Carolyn responded no.

Membership: Paul Duggan introduced and nominated Ed and Judy Becker who have been coming here for 22 years and decided they would join the council. Jane Sheldon made a motion to accept Ed and Judy Becker as members. Elyce seconded, vote was taken and motion passed.

Tidy Time Committee Reports:

Penny Siesko and Bert and Dory Reuss led and sang the tidy time song.

Penny Siesko said we had beautiful days and wonderful people and a lot of work was done

**Gardens:** Barbara Vanderslice

- 13 people worked,
- the south porch area was planted
- See Memorial raised beds were planted
- Bay Beach was weeded.

**Trails:** Bob Steinfort

- 10 people
- they are close to the goal of rocks at the end of the water bars
- a lot of grunt work was done

**Special Projects/Carpentry:** Peter Meyers

- benches at the tennis courts were done
- benches at Watson were done
- stairs at the boathouse were stained
- 6 picnic tables were cut out, stained and put together
- benches at Slim Point were stained.

**Light Duty:** Faith Steinfort

- Collins, toys and equipment at the childrens pavilion were cleaned
- Chapel brass candle sticks were cleaned and polished
- 15 fans were cleaned

Penny announced that there were still projects to work on for Sunday.

Elyce commented that Trish indicated that cleaning the fans was very important. She mentioned that we should remember time sheets and turn them in to team leaders, Penny, or the front desk.

Elyce thanked Penny for her work and organization to prepare for the weekend.

**ADOPT THE OCTOBER MINUTES:** Elyce said she hoped everyone had read the minutes on the website. Peter Meyers corrected the misspelling of his name in the October minutes. Lew Rarig commented it was nice to see the minutes on the website. Lew Rarig made a motion to adopt the minutes with Peter's correction. Jane Sheldon seconded, vote was taken and motion passed.

**OLD BUSINESS:**Facebook page:

- Katie Candrillo commented that it worked last night
- The Facebook group is Silver Bay YMCA Council
- Elyce also mentioned that the Silver Bay Website is being retooled.
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Porch Sale:

- Donations should be brought in a ready to sell condition.
- Jane Sheldon commented that Trish asked that we bring donations to her so she will check them and you can take back those that are not appropriate
- Sherri Wright asked if there were particular items that do sell well. Carolyn Hoeschele responded that things from Silver Bay do well.
- Ed Becker asked who are the customers. Elyce responded that the customers are the family conference.
- Ed Becker asked if anything has come of the idea of on-line selling. Elyce had no feedback but said we can look into it further.
- Elyce reminded everyone that if they are here during the 2 weeks of family conference in August to be sure to sign up and help at the sale.
- Sherri Wright commented that if people who are donating items would take pictures of them then they could be posted on-line. Elyce responded that we can add that idea to the investigation of on-line selling.
- Eli Ciabrone showed the quilt she made for the sale titled "here comes the Sun over Silver Bay". It is a queen or king quilt and took 2 months to make. Eli commented that last summer through the craft shop they put together hearts made by guests and made \$650 dollars in the silent auction. Elyce commented that she would like the quilt to be seen throughout the summer and buy raffle tickets. Sherri Wright asked if it should be a raffle or a silent auction. Carolyn Hoeschele commented that the silent auction may not get as many people. Faith Steinfort commented that tickets for a raffle should be \$20 or \$25 dollars. Eli asked if cottages would come to see it. Faith responded that if they love Silver Bay they will buy tickets. Eli commented that she has given quilts to the Next Gen party and the bidding did not work well. She feels that a raffle works well.

**NEW BUSINESS:**Cookbook:

- this continues to be explored as a possible fund raising idea.
- Katie commented that this is in the early stages of designing. Elyce said it was on a "burner".

Dessert Cruise on the Mohican:

- Elyce commented that this is another idea to pursue and offer as part of Council Day which would be the same day as the sale. We could have a table of information, pictures of events, raffle tickets. She said that a

committee would be investigating the idea of a 2 hour cruise. This idea is on a “burner

The bell:

- Elyce said we have had requests for the bell to be rung again.
- Carolyn responded that we do occasionally ring the bell such as when the bride and groom kiss at a wedding. She indicated that ringing the bell depends on what groups are on campus.
- Elyce commented that it would be nice especially during the 2 family weeks.
- Carolyn responded that she would ask.

FUTURE DATES:

Annual Meeting will be a the first family week, August 11, 2016

Fall Council meeting October 8, 2016

- It was asked if the August meeting should be on a weekend.
- Elyce commented that they have considered this but feel that weekends are challenging with some people arriving and some people departing.

THANKS AND ADJOURNMENT

Dick Barney made a motion to dismiss the meeting. Motion seconded by Bob Whitaker. All voted and motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Sue Nagy