

NILMA MEETING MINUTES

May 9, 2019

Michael Ross called the meeting to order at 2.00 PM

Attendees: Michael Ross (President), Sharon Gouveia (Vice President), David Goldman, Norman Berkowitz, Ernest Greenberg, Frances Shaer, Jay Berkson, John Averell (substituting for Judy Stavis), Fay Bussgang, Murray Staub, Dorrit Senior.

Guest: Stephen Colwell

Michael Ross called for the approval of the April 11th minutes. The motion was moved, seconded, and approved by acclamation.

SOLICITATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Fay Bussgang presented the guidelines on behalf of her committee members, Sharon Gouveia and Frances Shaer. There was some discussion concerning certain details in the report. Murray Staub thought some portions were too vague, while John Averell felt that there were parts too specific. Stephen Colwell commented that the version might leave some areas of ambiguity, but that it was worth trying.

The guidelines are to be included in the Residents' Handbook, which is currently being updated. The most up-to-date version of the Residents' handbook is available on line on the Newbridge web site, and will be available in the library, as well as provided to all new residents. (Report attached).

STATUS OF ELECTIONS

Carol Clingan and Judy Rosenberg have reviewed all the nominations submitted for the open seats on NILMA:

- Cottages—2 seats—nominations for Dorrit Senior and Michael Ross with no other nominations.
- North 4— Alan Ades is the only nominee
- North 3—Nominations were received for the incumbent Frances Shaer and for Barbara Naditch

Therefore, Dorrit, Michael and Alan were elected without further action. There will be an election for the North 3 representative. Written ballots will be distributed by name to mailboxes. All votes are to be cast on the official ballots, which are to be returned to either Carol Clingan or Judy Rosenberg by May 14.

NEWBRIDGE 10TH ANNIVERSARY

The official date when Newbridge opened was June 15th, 2009. Stephen Colwell described the events that will be occurring to celebrate this anniversary. Four main activities are being planned:

- June 11. Luncheon for the original residents who moved into Newbridge in 2009.
- June 12. Celebration for entire campus, including all employees. An ice cream social is planned from 2:00PM to 4:00PM.
- June 13. An event after the NILMA meeting, which will include the annual redbud tree planting in the Band grove, at which the previous presidents of NILMA will speak.
- June 15. The details are yet to be finalized. The possibilities under consideration include a dinner in the Winter Garden, Centro, Great Meadow Hall, or possibly a giant cocktail party.

Further details will be conveyed as the celebration draws closer

John Averell pointed out that there could be a possible conflict on June 13th, as that is the date for the distribution of Appreciation Fund checks to employees. Michael Ross requested that Stephen Colwell coordinate with Peter Shapiro, Chairman of the Appreciation Fund Committee.

STORE HOURS

There have been complaints from residents concerning the irregularity of the Nosh store hours. Stephen Colwell apologized for the lack of communication. Joel Jones has been made aware of the situation and the store was presently open at the originally designated hours.

STATUS OF MEDICAL PRACTICE STAFFING

Since Dr. Kouta Ito is leaving the practice, Dr. Helen Chen, Chief Medical Officer, HSL, is actively interviewing for a replacement. During this period, Dr. Ruth Hertzman-Miller is working additional hours, and all appointments are being honored.

ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE COMMUNITY

Transportation Service. A few residents desired more service later in the day. Stephen Colwell pointed out that the greatest demand was earlier in the day and were more drivers be made available later in the day, it would affect the service. He also made mention that one additional driver had been hired.

Norman Berkowitz commented on the sign on the coffee machine stating that free coffee was available only for residents and that employees could purchase their coffee in Nosh, which some felt was offensive. There was some discussion and Stephen Colwell pointed out that the sign had been removed. After a vote with one objection, it was decided to keep the status quo, ie, no signage.

Dinner Reservations. Mention was made of the difficulties around dinner reservations. Joel, Sal, and the food team is in the process of implementing a new reservation system, and this matter is under the surveillance of the food committee.

Murray Staub brought up the signage and speeding situation on the campus. He suggested that staff from Security be made available to monitor the situation on Great Meadow Road. Michael Ross felt that at least the new signs for cross walks were very effective and had helped a lot. Stephen Colwell commented that signs seldom changed behavior.

Jay Berkson reported on a road survey he personally conducted. On April 28th, between the hours of 10.00Am and noon, he observed the habits of drivers. The majority ignored the stop sign. At the request of Murray Staub, Stephen Colwell would try an experiment utilizing staff from Security to monitor the road at certain times.

Michael Ross asked for adjournment and the meeting ended at 2:57 PM.

Signed
Dorrit Senior (Secretary).