

CLL Governance Meeting Minutes from

Monday, February 5, 2024

Montgomery Room - Clubhouse 1 at 10 a.m.

Attendance in Person - JoAnn Gellman, Janet Danziger, Kathleen Healy, Jim Roddy, Savitri Taneja, Anne Martin, Semoon Chang, Harriett Gordon, Tom Conger, and Peter Gorham. Guest: Ken Jeweler (KSJeweler@gmail.com).

Attendance via Zoom - Judy Frumkin, Paul Eisenhaur, and Paul Levy.

The meeting was called to order by John Feldmann at 10 a.m.

Minutes of the January 8, 2024 meeting were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report/Budget - Savitri Taneja -

On January 6, 2024, the Sandy Spring Bank account balance was \$6,549.83. On January 10, 2024, check #049834 in the amount of \$450 was deposited for Paul Levy's "American Liberalism, Progressivism, and Christian Nationalism" course, bringing the balance to \$6,999.83. With the Board's prior approval, Savitri Taneja closed the Sandy Spring Bank account on January 20, 2024.

On January 23, 2024, John Feldmann, JoAnn Gellman, and Savitri Taneja opened an account with M&T bank, deposited the total CLL balance of \$6,999.83, and requested ATM cards for both John Feldmann and Savitri Taneja. JoAnn Gellman and Savitri Taneja are both on the account.

Savitri Taneja received invoices dated October 10 and October 15, 2023 from Lifestyle Department for photocopying in the amount of \$94.80, which have not been paid. Savitri Taneja stated that she will pay the invoices.

Curriculum Committee Report - JoAnn Gellman -

Janet Danziger – Janet Danziger reported that as of today, the CLL window box is up-to-date.

Peter Gorham - update on ACIS - two of the six sessions are completed and the program has been successful thus far. John Feldmann thanked both Peter Gorham and JoAnn Gellman for being available on Saturdays to assist with this program.

John Feldmann - A big thanks from JoAnn Gellman to John Feldmann. JoAnn Gellman stated the following: "This was my position earlier this week. (I will not take any new outside request for programs, until we get better support from Lifestyle. The disorganization is not fair to the

presenters or the attendees. It also is an embarrassment to the management of LW.) Luckily, John intervened and opened a dialogue with Ray and the newspaper and made some head way toward resolving some issues". JoAnn Gellman informed the Board that Lifestyle has now agreed that CLL can reserve the Clubhouse 2 Auditorium, if it is available.

Peter Gorham inquired if the Lifestyle Department has a list of policies/procedures for the various organizations. Anne Martin informed the Board that a new Lifestyle manager, who would be Ray's supervisor, is being hired. The Board discussed the recent article in the Leisure World newspaper, in the "Letter to the Editor" section, describing the various frustrations and difficulties interacting with the Lifestyle Department.

John Feldmann heard that an Ad Hoc Committee will be created to look into the Lifestyle Department issues. Judy Frumkin attended the Ad Hoc meeting via Zoom. She informed the Board that there were many similar complaints shared by the Leisure World Clubs and Organizations.

Jim Roddy - "Lost Worlds of South America - Part 2 of 2", will be held Tuesdays starting March 12 through April 16, 2024.

Dr. David Sohn - to speak about Korea, his background, how he achieved his lifetime vision and the American Dream, and his memoir "Divine Vision and Milestone". Dr. Sohn would like to include a luncheon along with his presentation. He will need to coordinate with the restaurant and his event is tentatively planned for some time in March 2024.

JoAnn Gellman welcomed Harriett Gordon to the Curriculum Committee.

Website - Kathy Healy/John Feldmann - Kathy Healy and John Feldmann continue to update information on the website. John posted fillable instructor room forms on the CLL website under the heading "Lifestyle Fillable Forms". These forms can be completed on-line, emailed directly to the Lifestyle Department, and are available to be used by any Leisure World Club and Organization.

Membership Software - Kathy Healy - Kathy Healy has assumed the membership responsibility and is currently working on the membership data. All records were reviewed, obvious errors corrected, and duplicate records deleted. The unofficial number of members at this time is 750. Another review will be required once an email blast is sent to the membership. At that time, an adjustment to the membership numbers will be necessary. There is a high probability that a number of the email addresses will be returned as undeliverable.

Harriet Gordon presented to the Board her research on sending bulk emails. Harriet Gordon reached out to The Rossmoor Art Guild (RAG) President, Judy Kirkland. Judy Kirkland stated that RAG uses Google Contacts for their bulk emails. Judy Kirkland sets up a group, uses her email

address as the recipient, and blind copies the members. RAG uses “Wordpress” for their website which is \$300 per year for the framework and \$25 for the URL.

Judy Frumkin reported that the Democratic Club of Leisure World uses “Constant Contact” and the Jewish Residents of Leisure World (JRLW) uses “icontact” and that both work well and are minimal in cost. “Mailchimp” was another suggested option. Harriett Gordon will continue her research and report back to the Board.

Financial Plan Ad Hoc Committee - Paul Eisenhaur forwarded the Board feedback to the Ad Hoc committee members to review and digest. The next step will be to develop a set of goals and an action plan.

Old Business -

CLL Trifold Brochure - Anne Martin received the updated comments and will send the Board an updated draft.

Add CLL’s Information in LW Newspaper - “Clubs in Brief” - John Feldmann reached out to Maureen Freeman, Director of Communications, to request that CLL be included in the Leisure World newspaper “Clubs in Brief” section. Maureen Freeman responded back that a description of what CLL is and does, a contact person, and the club’s meeting schedule would need to be provided. Maureen Freeman also shared that when CLL has a published article in the Leisure World newspaper, CLL would not be featured in the “Clubs in Brief” section for that edition and vice-versa.

New Business -

Need Someone to be CLL’s Representative with Lifestyle Office - John Feldmann informed the Board that he is recruiting for someone to assist JoAnn Gellman to serve as the designated CLL liaison to the Lifestyle Department. This person would coordinate with JoAnn Gellman to ensure room reservation documents and set-up forms are submitted to the Lifestyle Department, obtain class registration lists and send to Kathy Healy, and receive invoices and checks and provide to Savitri Taneja. John Feldmann will draft a recruitment notice for Kathy Healy to send to the CLL membership.

Elections Committee - John Feldmann requested and Judy Frumkin accepted to develop a list of candidates for the Board Elections this year. There are a total of six Director positions open plus three Officer positions (President, Vice President, and Secretary). The three Officer positions will be vacated and need to be filled.

A General Membership Annual Meeting and Board Elections will have to be emailed to the CLL membership. The meeting and elections will be held in June. Anne Martin inquired if CLL has lined up a guest speaker for the Annual Meeting and John Feldmann stated that he would like

JoAnn Gellman to speak on her trip to South America. JoAnn Gellman suggested CLL invite a representative from Montgomery College to speak on Senior Citizen Education in the County.

Good and Welfare - John Feldmann stated that CLL is interested in co-sponsoring with the Leisure World Social Work Department to present a panel of representatives to address financial and food support issues. The need for food has become a dire situation for many of our Leisure World residents. Kathy Healy suggested that Meals on Wheels of Central Maryland (serves our Leisure World community) be invited. Kathy Healy will reach out to them to inquire if they would be interested in participating in such a forum.

John Feldmann stated that CLL also is interested in inviting the Social Security National Office and the Montgomery County Commission on Aging to provide presentations. The Commission on Aging sponsors an Ambassador Program that speaks about available services for seniors.

John Feldmann also shared that The Commission on Common Ownership (CCOC) offers on-line training classes and CLL can announce the trainings to the residents.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:57 a.m.

Next Meeting - Monday, March 4, 2023 at 10 a.m. in the Montgomery Room.

Minutes by Kathleen Healy