

MINUTES FROM THE
KURE BEACH
COMMUNITY CENTER COMMITTEE MEETING
JANUARY 3, 2006

After a short prayer, the regular meeting of the *Kure Beach Community Center Committee* was called to order at 10 am on **Tuesday, January 3, 2006** by Chairwoman Frances Regan. In attendance were: Frances Regan, Helen Wilson, Mary Vann, Gerry Smith, Jackie Phillips, Nancy Hughes, Pat Slachetka, and Tim Fuller. Jean Martin (Aerobics Instructor) was a guest at this morning's meeting.

Everyone welcomed Tim Fuller who will now be serving as our representative from the Town Council. We are very lucky to have Tim join us for this year. (We will miss you Bill Ufferman and Thank You for your help this past year).

Minutes from the November 1, 2005 meeting were accepted as written.

OLD BUSINESS

Frances mentioned that she was going to purchase 4 new tables for the Center shortly. This will bring the total of the new white tables to: 12

CENTER INCOME REPORT: No report was available due to a lack of information. Since Bill Ufferman will not be the Council representative for this New Year and he usually brought the financial report with him to the meeting, no report could be given. Tim offered to bring that report with him to all future meetings.

WEIGHT-WATCHERS UPDATE: Things seem to be going well with this group. At times there may be only 10 persons at these meetings, and other times there are more. Now that the holidays are over, we are sure that these meetings will be well-attended. The Weight-Watchers people seem to be pleased with the Center for their gatherings. We have made special provisions for their storage needs. Although the Weight-Watchers people still have not put ads in the local papers (Island Gazette and Star News), Nancy Hughes will question them as to why this has not as yet been done.

NEW LOGO FOR CC: (Helen Wilson, Chairwoman of the New Logo Committee) Due to the holidays, this committee had not met as yet but they agreed to get together following our meeting today. Helen Wilson did say that the new Town Logo was beautiful and she is anxious to see it used with all future mailings, announcements, etc from the Community Center Committee. If it should become available in the near future, the Community Center will be able to use this logo for all their future communications, announcement, dinners, etc.

ADVERTISING/PUBLICITY: Frances announced that Lisa Humphrey had resigned from this Committee, and we needed to appoint someone to take over this responsibility. Since there were not a lot of enthusiastic volunteers, Pat Slachetka offered to take on this responsibility for notifying the Island Gazette with information on upcoming events. Would all chair-persons give Pat any information on upcoming events for their particular area with all pertinent information? Thanks.

MARQUEE MANAGEMENT: In the past, usually one of the men who served on the KBCC handled the Marquee announcements. Since we no longer have those men on the committee, Tim Fuller offered to handle this chore. (Thanks, Tim!!)

COMMUNITY AWARDS BANQUET: The date of this event will be Saturday, March 25. At this point, our guest, Jean Martin, asked to comment on something having to do with the Awards Banquet. Jean had heard a comment after last year's dinner that a certain person would not be attending this affair in the future. Having to lose apparently is difficult for some of the nominees and they felt it was embarrassing. The committee discussed ways we might handle this situation in the future, although we all felt there is no losing in this award presentation since it certainly is an honor just to have been nominated. Taking into consideration personal feelings, the committee decided that we would change the wording of the event to a RECOGNITION AND NOT NOMINATION so in the future, we this event will be known as:

KURE BEACH COMMUNITY SPIRIT RECOGNITION DINNER

Hopefully, this new wording will recognize that being *nominated is an honor*. We want to make it clear that there are "NO LOSERS" – just very special people being recognized for their extra efforts to the community.

We will continue to recognize three categories:

- **YOUTH COMMUNITY SPIRIT RECOGNITION**
- **ANNUAL COMMUNITY SPIRIT RECOGNITION**
- **LIFETIME COMMUNITY SPIRIT RECOGNITION**

BANQUET PROGRAMS: New Nomination Forms will be made up to comply with the above "new wording" for this event. Helen Wilson's committee (Mary Vann, Nancy Hughes, and Jackie Phillips) will be responsible for getting the program sheets printed up, as well as obtaining a caterer, obtaining door prizes, and getting the plaques done for the Spirit Recognition dinner. The deadline for submitting nominations will be FEBRUARY 28TH and all nominations must be handed in to Town Hall by MARCH 1ST. Pat Slachetka will notify the Island Gazette to publicize this event.

CATERER FOR DINNER: Helen Wilson is working on getting a caterer for this upcoming event. Since SEASONS BY THE SEA is no longer in business, she will be looking into getting another caterer. Any suggestions are welcome and should be submitted to Helen as soon as possible. A possibility would be Bowman's At the Beach Seafood Restaurant.

PILATES: Once again the subject of the Pilates classes was discussed. It seems that this situation has NOT CHANGED. If the Community Center is being used but rental payments not made, what is the alternative? It seems that \$350 was the recent unpaid balance and Frances said she would meet with Frankie at Town Hall to find out if the Pilates people have paid their "past due" amount. Pilates is booked twice every week. To allow an individual or a group to charge for their services but not pay the "agreed-upon" rental fee isn't fair to others who pay the fee, so the Committee feels that perhaps we should ask Frank NOT TO OPEN THE DOORS UNTIL THIS SITUATION IS SETTLED. If we allow this to continue, how can we charge others who want to rent the building? This situation MUST BE RESOLVED.

WINTER DANCE: Jerry Smith announced the upcoming WINTER DANCE to be held on Saturday, January 7 beginning at 7:30 pm and ending at 10 pm. Admission is \$8.00 per person or \$15.00 for two. Jerry would appreciate help with decorating the Center at noon on Saturday, January 7. Lenny Frank will be playing for your dancing pleasure!!!

AEROBICS CLASSES: The Tuesday morning Aerobics Classes are an on-going event. Jean Martin is the instructor and classes from 9 – 10 a.m. Fee is \$1.00 per person and this money all goes to charity. Also, the instructor, Jean Martin, would like to have some new aerobic tapes for these classes and Jerry Smith agreed that they were much needed so the Committee all agreed that Jean should go ahead and purchase new tapes. Just for everyone's information, Jean also heads the Exercise/Aerobics Classes which are held at the Carolina Beach Community Center on Monday and Wednesday mornings beginning at 9 a.m. and the fee \$1.00 per person (which also goes to a charity which is decided upon by all attendees at the end of the year) .

NEW BUSINESS:

Resignation of Lisa Humphrey: Since the resignation of Lisa Humphrey we now have an opening on our Community Center Committee. Members should try to find people who might be an asset to the Committee as well as to the Community. We need dedicated, hard working and brilliant people with new ideas to become part of this very important committee. Present members are being asked to bring names of potential members to the next meeting.

UPDATE NEW CO-CHAIRWOMAN: Due to the holidays, neither Frances Regan nor Mary Vann were available to meet but they agreed to get together at the home of Frances on the morning of January 4. This will be extremely helpful to Mary as she is new to the Community and feels that it can only help the Committee to have the Co-Chairwoman able to run the meetings or crisis that could arise whenever Frances is out of town. (Since Frances will be out of town during the entire month of February, again it is most important for Mary Vann to have a better understanding of the background and workings of the Community Center.)

KEYS TO THE CENTER FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS: There are still Committee members who do not have a full set of keys to the building. Frances will see to it that more keys are made so that each member of the Committee has a set of keys.

SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVING THE COMMUNITY CENTER:

1. Kitchen Improvements: Tim Fuller mentioned that he would like to see the kitchen at the Community Center brought up to date!! (God Bless His Heart!) . Appliances such as a new "restaurant-quality" stove with large oven, and extra deep/double sinks would be the first major updates he would like to see in the near future. At this point Pat questioned if there was any possibility that in the future we would build a more modern, larger Community Center and Tim mentioned that it certainly could be a reality. It would be part of the new "5-Year Plan" and if this were to become a reality, the new appliances would be transferred to the new building.

2. Parking Lot Renewal: Once again Tim mentioned that we might talk with Mac Montgomery about this improvement. Tim agreed that the present lot certainly needs some revamping and Mac might be able to come up with a plan.

Tim Fuller mentioned that changes must be made in and around the Town Hall. The Fire Department will need to move, and we could possibly have the New Community Center in its place. If the Community Center did move to that area, the present building would be demolished, and a large parking lot with rest rooms might become a reality. The above ideas would be Investments in the Town of Kure Beach rather than Expenditures!

Gerry Smith suggested that in the future the Community Center Committee be given credit for running trips during the year since it is the members of this Committee who run the trips. Frances agreed. We presently run two trips a year: Spring and Winter.

The meeting ended at approximately 11:45 a.m. with everyone being reminded to be back at the Center on Saturday, January 7, at noon to help set up and decorate for the Winter Dance. More hands to help set up lessens the time needed to do this chore.

NEXT MEETING: Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, February 7** beginning at 10 a.m.

INTERESTED RESIDENTS OF KURE BEACH ARE ALWAYS WELCOME TO ATTEND ANY OF OUR MEETINGS. WE ALSO APPRECIATE ANY IDEAS FOR BETTER SERVING THE COMMUNITY.

Attachments General Ledger Report December 2005

Respectfully submitted by:
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January 11, 2006