

KURE BEACH COMMUNITY CENTER
MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 13, 2010

Meeting was called to order at approximately 10:06 a.m. The minutes from the March 2010 meeting were accepted as written.

Jeannie Gordon could not be present because she has come down with the flu, therefore no financial report was given.

SPIRIT AWARDS DINNER DISCUSSIONS:

FOOD: All members thought that we had way too much food. Although we did order for 99 people Bon Appétit was very generous with the amount of food they prepared. It was mentioned that perhaps we should order for at least 10 less people of the total tickets sold. Also, all the food was fantastic according to all members as well as those in attendance.

CAKES: We had way too much cake and members decided that we order only two cakes for next year. Bon Appétit had also given us a very generous supply of very large and delicious cookies.

Other items used were:

Coffee (we used only 1 pot but made 2). Half & Half was never used.

Tea: Again we had 3 gallons of tea left over (1 un-sweet and 2 sweet)

Water: We used only 2 gallons

Ice: We used 30 lbs.

Food: 1-1/2 tray of chicken was left over; 1 tray of pork chops was left;

1 tray of potatoes was never touched

The above is good information for next years' Awards Dinner.

AWARDS DINNER POSSIBLE CHANGES FOR 2011:

FORMS FOR ANNUAL versus LIFETIME: Lore and Linda both would like to re-write the nomination forms. The present forms seem to be vague and they think they can compose a single, clearer form but still have two category awards. Also, committee members would like more time to read nomination forms before voting. All members were in agreement.

PARKS & RECREATION UPDATE: Since our last meeting at which time we all felt that both the ballet and painting classes should be renting the hall from the CC. With new information from Tim Fuller, those two classes are a part of Parks & Recreation and are included in their budget. Our fees could be built into their budget OR build something into our budget to cover those classes for rental monies, electricity for air conditioning and heating, as well as supplies in the restrooms, paper towels, etc. Frances mentioned that our budget should be able to show the income from these activities. Linda Newton mentioned that those fees could be put into the Town's budget for us instead of Parks & Recreation's budget. For instance, John Hughes payments for the ballet and painting openings and closings come out of Parks & Rec's budget. Also, we propose that Bob Fitzsimons remind both persons responsible for classes to clean up after those classes. **ACTION:** Frances will call Bob Fitzsimons about this.

At this point Jean Martin mentioned that we **MUST** treat these instructors kindly so that they are not about to look for another place for these classes. She also reminded us that there will always be some misuse happening in our facility, but we must keep an eye out for deliberate misuse at all times.

Tim Fuller mentioned that it could be useful information to the town if we can come up with a particular situation where a rental had to be turned down because of either the ballet or painting classes. Frances mentioned that there may have been such a situation taken place. At this point Tim mentioned that he is planning to ask Town Council for \$5,000 to be added to our present budget to cover these things.

Pam questioned what if AIKIDO found out that the Parks & Rec activities are not paying rentals? Would AIKIDO want the same situation? Frances mentioned that since AIKIDO are grandfathered-in, they do receive a “special rate” and we also store their mats in our back room. We certainly would be bad-off if AIKIDO quit renting our Center.

5 YEAR MAINTENANCE PLAN: Tom Barber and Joe Slachetka did a walk-thru of our building and have composed a list of things to be addressed. All members received a copy of that 5-year plan and feel quite comfortable with most of the items on that very long list. Our Center has been ignored for many years now and the committee members felt that we do need to up-date quite a few things inside and outside the building. The very first thing that has been approved for updating is new kitchen countertops. A figure of \$500 has been gotten by Tom and it comes from the Town’s “General Fund”. A vote was taken and passed by every member present to go ahead and order the countertops - once we get samples of colors and a vote taken for the color of the counter tops. Irene Barber will get a handful of color samples and each member will vote for a color.....the color for the counter tops with the most votes will be installed.

Tom also mentioned some other ideas to “beef-up” the present kitchen to include some items which we aren’t really interested in having installed. We do need a new stove with at least 2 large burners. The present stove is quite small and the oven temperature is way off. A new stove will probably be one of the first things to be installed. The members of our committee all agree that we do not wish to have a “cooking kitchen” for some obvious reasons. When renters would cook, they may not clean up after themselves, and then we’d have some real problems with “clean-ups” then we have to do the cleaning or pay to have the cleaning done.

JOHN BATSON: Tim Fuller reported that he had spoken to John with reference to extending our storage facility. John seemed to feel it could be done and we’d need to get an estimate on cost from Sonny Beeker. We will need to monitor this item until we find out an approximate cost.

“WAY-INTO-THE-FUTURE PLANS”: There is some type of plan in discussions about the Town Hall and the Fire and Police Departments being physically connected. There is a site plan being worked up by an outside firm and their architect. There is also some thought that the Fire Station could be moved where the “corral” is presently located. Also, a possible addition to the South side of Town Hall where a new and larger Council Chamber could be built and utilized for meetings for home owners association meetings, as well as other committee meetings. It would be a “State of the Art Meeting Room”. There’s also been some talk about the Community Center being moved to where the fire department is presently located. **HOWEVER, ALL OF THIS INFORMATION IS PURE SPECULATION AND NOTHING IS DEFINITE. THESE PLANS, IF THEY EVER COME ABOUT, WOULD NOT BE HAPPENING WITHIN THE NEXT 10 YEARS OR PERHAPS EVEN LONGER.**

Tom Barber asked our committee members to please go over each item in his 5-year plan and choose which items would be items to be done as soon as possible, and others that would have to be long-range. Tom walked with the group through most of the items, going over things like the heating & air conditioning needing a definite overhaul; possible adding on to the storage room in the rear of the building; removing the rotted-out windows (1 in the kitchen and 3 in the smaller meeting room) and possibly replacing those spaces with glass block. In this way we would still get light into those rooms

and not have the threat of someone breaking into the Community Center by crashing open those windows. Each member of the committee is to look over the entire list and list which items would be most important to fix in the near future.

The counter tops are #1 to be replaced, and possibly the storage area soon after that.

Our meeting continued after Tom left and discussions now centered on our planning the luncheon for the Public Works Department members which will be this Thursday, April 15, beginning at noon. We will be serving salad, chicken with wild rice, rolls and cake and tea (both sweet and regular). We are so grateful to these men for all the work they have done painting, fixing, upgrading the ceiling tiles and vents. What a terrific job they have done and we are so proud of our building.

Since time was getting late any discussion about the up-coming Barbecue in August will be put on the May agenda.

On Sunday, April 18, our committee members and spouses will have a dinner to be held at Ray and Pam Bramhall's home located at: 712 N. Ft. Fisher Boulevard, Kure Beach.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:05 p.m.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER COMMITTEE WILL BE MAY 11, 2010 BEGINNING AT 10:00 A.M.

Our meetings are always OPEN to the public. We'd like to hear your suggestions, ideas, and comments (good or bad) about our Committee members or the happenings at the Center.

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Respectively submitted on April 16, 2010

Patricia Slachetka, Recording Secretary