Priscilla Beach Association

Closing Meeting Saturday August 31, 2013

Present: Association Officers and head count of 22+ members

Officers: President John Reardon

Vice President: Jeff Arcuri Treasurer: Paul Champagne Assistant Treasurer: John Reardon

Secretary: Virginia Curcio

Additional Board Members: Tim Bennett, Bob Malone, Patty Schneider, Kevin Coyne

Absent: Patty Schneider, Kevin Coyne

The Meeting was called to order by President John Reardon at 10:05 AM, and immediately followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes from the Opening Meeting June, 2013 were read aloud by the Secretary. Through a voice vote, the minutes were accepted as read with no dissension.

1. Report of Committees:

a. **Treasurer:** Paul Champagne noted that 2013 was a successful year with an obvious increase in paying members. Expenses were negative given the success of the comedy night which brought in \$1400.00 in revenue. Richmond completed repairs to the beach and boardwalk at costs of \$1400 and \$1300 respectively. The Association did not complete all targeted projects, namely repairs to and painting of the clubhouse: mostly due to lack of volunteers, and no one to run the project(s). Overall, the Association is in better financial shape this year.

Paul also reported that Mary Jane Calhoun is holding some money from the sale of PBA items.

The issue of ventilation in the clubhouse was raised; hopefully to be completed by volunteers to help minimize costs. Suggestions from the floor included:

- Identifying projects when sending ou the dues notification and ask for suggestions on the clubhouse, specific, what to do. The President noted that this was similar to what was done last year. Responses mostly addressed repairs/upgrade to the electricals, and liability issues.
- Suggestion for letter included asking for directed dontations towards whatever the donor identified.
- b. **President:** John noted that paying membership increased to 81% this year, thanks to the efforts of the Dues Committee both with existing members and new owners.
- c. **Beach:** Beach committee was not represented at this meeting. However, the Treasurer noted that the beach seems to be problematic. After all the winter storms, "Mother Nature" is building a sand bar. Unfortunately attempts to reclaim the area could result in financial ruin for the association.
- d. **Buoy Committee:** Buoy Committee was not represented at this meeting. The President noted that John Calhoun had performed his service to the PBA well and for long time. The buoys make for lots of hard work and not a lot of workers volunteering. Discussion included bringing in the buoys this afternoon by recruiting folks on the beach to assist; it was noted that there are a number of parents with young childred that use the buoy-marked area. The other option was to hire people to perform the necessary tasks typically done by volunteer members.

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This was followed by a general discussion on the lack of member participation and possible ways to energize/invigorate the members that included:

- i. raising dues
- ii. sending a notice to members that they need to "play or pay" and reshaping the message to "what are you willing to do on these dates", as opposed to a general question asking for volunteers
- iii. tweeting and use of Facebook.

Tim Bennett volunteered to direct the operation this afternoon to retrieve the buoys. Tim and Bob Malone indicated they will handle the board walks in about 2 weeks time.

Another suggestion included changing the date of the beach cleanup to after July 4th and recruiting kids to help with some type of thank you gift, such as a PBA hat, PBA visor, PBA T shirt, etc.

2. Unfinished business:

a. Air removal/ventilation to clubhouse: see above notes

3. New Business:

a. The Nominating Committee reported that all current officers and Board Members were returning with the exception of Kevin Coyne. There was a round of applause from the members. It was noted that one additional board members was needed to replace departing Kevin Coyne. An explanation of the position and associated responsibilities was offered with the President noting that the Board primarily acts as members-at-large. Judy Roy volunteered at take the position. There was a nomination from the floor followed by a show-of-hands vote on renomination accepting both Kevin' resignation and Judy's nomination. This was followed by a motion and vote to accept the current officers to be elected for another 2 years. There was a unanimous show of hands to accept the current slate of officers and board members.

The meeting adjourned. 11:50 AM.

Respectfully submitted

Virginia Curcio Virginia Curcio Secretary eSignature 9/02/2013

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