

Cascades Residents Association, Inc.

Master Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Clubhouse-Ballroom, February 8, 2018
6601 Cascades Isle Blvd., Boynton Beach, FL 33437

Board Members Present: Dennis Deutsch, Burt Dukoff, Marvin Grode, Julian Melmed, Teri Schoen, Stan Smolkin, Gail Swartz, Morris Stoler

Board Members Absent: Ira Rubel

Also, Present: Robert Waples, Property Manager, Jeffrey Gross, General Manager, Orchid Banks, Clubhouse Coordinator

Call to Order and Establishment of a Quorum: The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Dennis Deutsch, President of the Board of Directors. A Quorum of Directors was established.

Reading and Disposal of Prior Meeting Minutes: The Minutes were presented to the Board for the January 12, 2017 Meeting. Marvin Grode moved to dispense with the reading and accept as printed and Stan Smolkin seconded. The Board unanimously agreed.

Treasurer's Report: Burt Dukoff reported that there were paid budgeted expenses in January that will be pro-rated monthly for the rest of the 2018 budget for this year. Primarily, these expenses were insurance \$4,400, irrigation \$5,100, Tennis Court Repairs and supplies \$11,500 and entertainment \$9,000. Our Reserves have increased by \$170,000 over the last year.

Manager's Report: Jeffrey Gross reported that Clean & Green have removed all the damaged hedges around the pool and planted arboricolas in place. New sod has been placed around the Manager's office and the Clubhouse. The waterfall in the lobby has a leak and will be repaired. The pool lounge chairs are in the process of being re-webbed and the security camera issue has been resolved.

Proposal for purchase of a new elliptical machine for the one which no longer functions and for two upright bikes: Sonia Wilansky presented to the Board proposals for a new Elliptical and 2 new upright bikes. After researching each of the proposals the Fitness Committee recommended purchasing the Sportsart for all. Morris Stoler made a motion to approve, but to have the Budget & Finance Committee recommend where the money comes from. Julian seconded the motion and the Board unanimously agreed.

Donation of Clavinova from Sandy Rosenbluth and Cascades Theater Company in Honor of Artie Rosenbluth: Dennis Deutsch reported that Sandy Rosenbluth is purchasing a new clavinova and donating it to the Cascades Theater Company with the understanding that the CTC will, in turn donate it to the Cascades Residents Association for use by the various clubs and organizations. He asked if the Board would

accept this generous gift. Teri Schoen made a motion to accept the clavino and Burt Dukoff seconded. The Board unanimously agreed.

Proposal for LED Street Lights: Jeffrey Gross reported that the proposal for FPL to change out the 25 lights along Cascades Isle Blvd to LED lights and repair or replace damaged poles is 99 cents each. The savings is greater than the cost and is amortized in the electric bills with a \$1.56 savings. Another benefit is that it goes on a grid and would then be on computer which will notify FPL when there is an outage. Julian Melmed made a motion to approve and Morris Stoler seconded with a unanimous vote by the board.

Community Survey: Gail Swartz mentioned that the survey that was done in 2002 and then again in 2010 was very helpful in determining the priorities of our residents. Since then most of the requests have been met. Now with the changing needs and interests of the community it is a good time to conduct another survey. Gail made a motion to the Board to develop and administer a 10-question survey to collect information either on the website or by hand. Teri Schoen seconded the motion and the Board unanimously agreed.

Bird Mitigation Proposal: Dennis Deutsch mentioned that he will not sign a contract that allows for an open end charging a mobilization fee with a blank amount. Julian Melmed suggested to ask for a new contract on a limited basis. Julian motioned to table this while working on the issues and to put it on the March Agenda. Gail Swartz seconded and the Board unanimously agreed.

Proposal for use of grey planter at pool: Jack Hanan, chair of the Café Committee suggested to make use of the grey pots by placing them by the pool gazebo to make a designated area for eating. There was mention that if the pots were ugly by the entrance, then they would also be ugly by the pool. No motion was made to use the pots.

Julian Melmed motioned to adjourn the meeting, Teri Schoen seconded the motion and the board unanimously agreed. Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Orchid Banks, Clubhouse Coordinator, for
Castle Management, LLC

Approved:

Teri Schoen, Secretary
The Cascades Residents' Association, Inc.