

Drum Point Project, Inc. (DPPI)

Drum Point Club

Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, July 14, 2020

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Mary Ann McGowan at 6:30 pm. Because of the coronavirus pandemic, the meeting was held online as a Zoom video conference. Terra Cooke hosted the meeting using her Zoom account.

Attendance: Board members: Mary Ann McGowan (President), Eric Andreas (Vice President), Johanna Icaza (Treasurer), Ed Luczak (Secretary), Bruce Fall, Betsey Herbicek Fehn, Tim Hansen, Bill Kurtz, Terra Cooke.

Minutes: The Board voted to approve the Minutes of the June 9, 2020 Board of Directors Meeting.

President's Report

- **New Board Members** – The terms of Board members Eric Andreas, Brook Edinger and Terra Cooke ended on June 30, 2020. New Board members would normally be elected at the June General Membership meeting, but the meeting could not be held due to the coronavirus pandemic. Consequently, the new Board members were elected by the remaining members of the Board. At the April 28 Board meeting, Mary Ann reported that the Nominating Committee had recommended the following slate of nominees: Eric Andreas, Terra Cooke, and Johanna Icaza. Eric and Terra had agreed to be nominated for new terms, and both are eligible. The Board voted to approve the selection of Eric Andreas, Terra Cooke and Johanna Icaza to 3-year terms on the Board of Directors of Drum Point Club. (The vote for Eric was conducted by email.)
- **New Officers** – The Board voted to approve the following set of officers for the year July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021:
 - **President** – Mary Ann McGowan
 - **Vice President** – Eric Andreas
 - **Treasurer** – Johanna Icaza
 - **Secretary** – Ed Luczak
- **Appreciation for Brook** – Board members expressed their appreciation for Brook Edinger's service as Board member and Treasurer.
- **Presidential Transition** – Mary Ann suggested that sometime during this year, an informal "President-Elect" be identified. This would be a Board member or other person who is interested in becoming President next year. Although the Club By-Laws

require that the Board President be elected by the Board in July as the Club year begins, an informal President-Elect would enable a more effective transition from the previous to the next President. Board members noted that some Clubs define a “Past President” position, to provide the recently retired President an official role in helping the new President come up to speed.

Finance Report

- **Finance Committee** – Mary Ann reported that Ralph, Johanna, and Mary Ann held an interim meeting of the Finance Committee. Ralph is still working on getting an online version of QuickBooks configured for our use.
- **PayPal** – Board members discussed whether we should continue providing PayPal as an option for members paying their annual dues. PayPal enables members to use a credit card to make their payment. This is convenient for members, but the Club must pay a processing fee (approx. 3.5%). It was suggested that the member should pay the processing fee instead of the Club if they want to use this convenience. On the other hand, it was noted that members may pay their dues more quickly and avoid delinquency if they can use a credit card.

Membership Report

- **New Members** – The Board voted to approve the membership applications of 7 new members. Of these new members, 6 are General Members, and 1 is an Associate Member. We are nearing the cap of 50 Associate Members that was approved by the Board at the April 28 meeting.
- **Certificates and Voting Rights** – Ed asked if there are sufficient Voting Rights in reserve to enable Voting Right certificates to be written for the 6 new General Members. Eric took an action item to review the current By-Laws and determine if the number of Voting Rights is limited, and under what conditions new certificates can be properly written for new members. Tim noted that our records show that 459 Voting Rights are currently held by members.
- **Dues Arrears Notifications** – Johanna has drafted a letter that will be sent to 44 members that are delinquent in paying their dues. Johanna will coordinate with Club webmaster Jane Luczak to have the letter emailed to the members using our email tool MailChimp. Terra will assist in sending the letter via U.S. Mail to members who do not have email addresses.

Rentals Report

- **Cancellations** – Mary Ann reported that nearly all scheduled rentals for the summer have been cancelled due to the coronavirus pandemic.

- **One Rental Held** – Mary Ann reported one rental was held Thursday, June 18, outside on the Club pavilion. This was our first rental since the coronavirus pandemic began in March. No problems were encountered.
- **Upcoming Wedding Rental** – Mary Ann reported that an outside wedding rental is scheduled for July 31 – August 2. A tent will be set up behind the Clubhouse for the event. The restrooms will be cleaned before and after the event.

Events Report

- **No Events Scheduled** – Bruce reported that no events are scheduled now due to the coronavirus pandemic. Board members agreed that this is appropriate.
- **Bocce Ball** – JJ Johnson has asked if we can begin scheduling bocce ball events again this fall. Board members agreed that the Club should not sponsor bocce ball events at this time. As a Club member, JJ is welcome to play bocce ball behind the Clubhouse and invite guests to join him, but not as a Club-sponsored event.
- **Kentucky Derby Party** – A member suggested that the Club sponsor a Kentucky Derby Party on September 5, the rescheduled date for the 2020 Derby. Board members agreed that it is not a good idea to schedule Club-sponsored social events at this time.

Technology Report

- **Restroom Doors Combination** – Ed reported that the combination has been changed on the restroom door locks. The old combination was used for many years. The new combination was emailed to the Board members on July 7. Due to the coronavirus pandemic, the restrooms are currently closed to all members, because we don't have the resources to regularly clean the restrooms to CDC standards, and we don't want to endanger the health of our members. Our plan is to notify members of the new combination when they pay their 2020-2021 dues.

Security Issues

- **"No Trespassing" Signs** – Board members discussed the need to post "No Trespassing" signs on the beach, to deter non-Club members who are using the public property below the mean high-water line from entering the private Club property above the line. In years past, the Club had posted such signs, but they have disappeared. Bruce will coordinate a walk of the Club property to determine the number and location of signs that are needed.
- **Hole in Fence** – Betsey noted that a large hole now exists in the fence between the DPPOA community beach and Drum Point Club property. The hole allows non-members to enter Club property.

New Business

- **Parcel 4 Issue** – A Club member has requested permission to build a pier on Club property, specifically Parcel 4. Parcel 4 is about one quarter acre in size, lies on the north-east shore of Drum Point Lake, and is undeveloped. It is surrounded by private properties, and therefore can only be accessed from the Lake. Board members noted that such a pier would expose the Club to liability if someone were injured on the pier, and the Club would be responsible for maintaining the pier in good condition. The pier would provide no obvious advantages to Club members other than the requesting member. The Board voted to deny the request.
- **Tutoring in the Clubhouse** – A teacher has requested permission to use the Clubhouse to tutor schoolchildren during the pandemic. Board members noted several problems with the idea, including: (1) difficulty in properly disinfecting the Clubhouse before and after tutoring sessions, and (2) difficulty in providing gate access to parents who are not Club members. The Board has not previously agreed to requests to operate a private business in the Clubhouse or on Club property. The Board voted to deny the request.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Next Meeting: The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at 6:30 pm.

Current Board of Directors: Mary Ann McGowan (President), Eric Andreas (Vice President), Johanna Icaza (Treasurer), Ed Luczak (Secretary), Bruce Fall, Betsey Herbicek Fehn, Tim Hansen, Bill Kurtz, Terra Cooke.

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