

## **CBA Board Meeting Minutes – May 17, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 P.M. In attendance were John Meinking, Pam Campbell, Nalin Mehta, Barry Wauligman, Steve Moese, Tom Mess, Kay Mulford, and Lenny Kanterman.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Upon motion by Nalin Mehta and seconded by Tom Mess, the Board unanimously approved the revised minutes of the April 19, 2016 meeting.

### **Appointment of Lenny Kanterman as Board Member**

The Board unanimously agreed on the appointment of Lenny Kanterman to replace Larry Newman as a member of the Board of Trustees.

### **CBC Renovations**

John Meinking reported on the status of CBC renovations. A contract was signed with National Construction. The Education Room has already been painted. Most of the additional renovations will be made during the first week of June while the Cincinnati Regional Bridge Tournament is held at the Sharonville Convention Center.

Kay Mulford thought that the CBA membership should have voted on the paint colors rather than the 5 members of the Decorating Committee. John Meinking defended the Decorating Committee pointing out that the 5 reasonable people on the Committee agreed with the colors selected even though some members may not agree.

On motion by Kay Mulford and seconded by Lenny Kanterman, it was proposed that the CBA membership be allowed to choose the paint colors for the CBC. After discussion and the calling of the question, the motion failed by a vote of 1 in favor, 6 against, and 1 abstention.

The Decorating Committee agreed to work with the Education Committee on what needs to be placed on the walls of the Education Room.

The Board also considered how to improve the efficiency and attractiveness of the lighting at the CBC. Barry Wauligman had worked with a proposal from SmartWatt (a Duke Energy contractor) to replace the current fluorescent lighting with more energy efficient LED lights.

Barry pointed out that the LED replacements would be partially subsidized by Duke Energy (about 35%), LEDs are more energy efficient and environmentally attractive, and the projected lower energy costs would pay for the replacements in about 40 months.

Upon motion by Nalin Mehta and seconded by Steve Moese, the Board passed the following motion with 7 in favor and 1 abstention:

The Board is authorized to spend \$5,336.05 with SmartWatt to upgrade to LED 4100K lights at the CBC.

It was noticed by several Board members that the LED lighting in Education Room did create some shadows. Upon motion by Lenny Kanterman and seconded by Pam Campbell, the Board passed the following motion with 8 in favor and none against:

The Board authorizes the installation of an additional two light fixtures in the Education Room by SmartWatt, provided the cost will not exceed \$700

### **Cincinnati Regional Tournament**

At this time, A. J. Stephani joined the meeting to update the Board on the Cincinnati Regional Bridge Tournament from May 30 to June 5. A. J. asked that the Board members encourage other Unit 124 members to play as the Unit support of the Tournament is critical. A. J. also asked for any volunteer help for wine & cheese hospitality evenings at the LivInn Suites. He specifically mentioned that the men of Unit 124 can certainly bring baked goods even if it means a trip to a local bakery.

### **CBA Financials**

Pam Campbell, Treasurer, provided updated financials for the Board to review. During the review, the Board requested that the CBC renovations be listed as an extraordinary expense since the renovations do not represent an on-going expense.

In addition, John Meinking reported that the CBA's investments are doing fine. About 93% of the funds designated for investment are invested in various preferred stocks.

### **HVAC Service Agreement**

John Meinking reported that the Board needed to approve the service agreement with Howard Adams for the semi-annual servicing of the CBC's HVAC system.

Upon motion by Steve Moese and seconded by Nalin Mehta, the Board unanimously approved the service agreement with Howard Adams.

### **Steuernagle Award**

Kay Mulford and Tom Mess put together a draft procedure for the Steuernagle Award. The Board discussed how often the Steuernagle Award should be considered as well as when the award should be presented. Although the Board did not take any specific action, the consensus was that awarding the Steuernagle Award at the Winter Holiday party made sense.

Tom Mess committed to working with Kay Mulford and Dan Koppenhafer, the chair of the Awards Committee, to develop a proposed procedure for the Steuernagle Award.

### **Mentor/Mentee Game**

Concern was expressed about Mentor/Mentee games being scheduled on Tuesday evenings. While the Board thought Tuesday would work better since the NKy Club has a Wednesday evening game, the Board agreed to hold the first Mentor/Mentee game on May 24 and get feedback from Bob Fisk on how well the Tuesday evening forum worked. Pam Campbell committed to working the issue with Bob Fisk.

## **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:47 P.M.

Tom Mess  
Secretary