# Camp Harkness Advisory Committee Camp Harkness Office 301 Great Neck Road December 6, 2012 Minutes

**Present:** Diane Harrington, Vicki Severin, Stan Soby, Bev Jackson, Ron Rasi, Joyce Baker (by Phone), Jackson Pierre-Louis, Dan Steward, April Dipollina, Marian Brown, Ginny Hogan **Others Present**: Ernie Smith, Carin Mancini, Frank Provenzano, Nancy LaSalle (by phone)

#### 1. Approval of Minutes:

Jackson Pierre-Louis moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Ron Rasi. All in favor.

#### 2. Citizens Comments & Presentations: 0

### 3. Physical Plant:

- ~The Dining Hall renovation will begin soon. The goal is to have the ceiling, floor & walls complete by May.
- ~The second quote for the beach clean-up should be in soon. It is going to run about \$8,000. Dan indicated there may be some assistance with this through DEEP and DOC.
- ~An Environmental Engineer has been hired to insure the dune restoration is done correctly.
- ~The renovations to the Brown Cottages will hopefully start in January. The goal is to have them completed by May. Frank will consult with Bev and Joyce re: bathrooms.
- ~There was discussion on how to allow campers to stay in the cabins while the beach is closed. Carin is going to check on what legally should be done.
- ~A tree fell on a green cabin. Oak Hill repaired the cabin that was slightly damaged.
- ~Camp Harkness is still waiting to hear from FEMA before any clean-up work is done to the park.

# 4. Camp Harkness Fund:

- ~The Camp Harkness Fund's 501© status should be complete within 4-6 weeks. Thanks to Baude & Rolfe CPA.
- ~Mary applied for a grant from The Dime Bank for \$1000.00. The hope is to purchase a bird bath and additional bulbs for the Sensory Garden.
- ~A spring fundraiser is in the works.
- ~The Camp Harkness Fund now has a Facebook page.
- ~The Fund is waiting to hear from FEMA before any repairs or projects are started.
- ~The Camp Harkness Fund donation policy is almost complete.

#### 5. The Barn:

~Stan and Marian are meeting with High Hopes in hopes plans can be started for a new satellite program at Camp Harkness. There is a Camp Directors Board meeting January 16. The camps would need to know costs so it can be included into the summer camp plans.

# 6. Appointments/Reappointments:

April is officially reappointed to the Camp Harkness Advisory Committee. Congratulations!

# 7. Camp Programs/Usage/Events

- ~The Holiday Motorcycle ride had about 1,000 riders. Again, the generosity was overwhelming. Social Workers, Support Services and many others have already come by to help many have an enjoyable holiday!
- ~A lot of events have been cancelled due to storm Sandy
- ~American Cancer Society is planning a Breast Cancer Walk.

#### 8. New Business

In January, there will be the annual election of officers. Nominations will be accepted from the floor.

# 9. Approval of Camp Harkness Advisory Committee meeting dates

The dates have been handed out.

# 2013 Reservation Process~

There will be a message on the answering machine at the camp on December 31 stating to call back in April to make reservations for the spring. The hope is to start taking campers in August. The Meeting Adjourned at 11:30

**Next Meeting: January 24, 2013** 

# Respectfully submitted by:

Diane Harrington, Secretary