Camp Harkness Advisory Committee Camp Harkness Office 301 Great Neck Road January 24, 2013 Minutes

Present: Diane Harrington, Vicki Severin, Bev Jackson, Ron Rasi, Joyce Baker (by Phone), Jackson Pierre-Louis, April Dipollina, Ginny Hogan,

Others Present: Ernie Smith, Carin Mancini, Frank Provenzano, Thomas Dailey

1. Approval of Minutes:

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

2. Citizens Comments & Presentations: 0

3. Physical Plant:

- ~Frank has blue prints for the expansion of the Brown Cabins. It will add 12ft. 1½ baths. It should start in mid-March and hopefully be done by June.
- ~Renovations for the dining hall should start the end of February & hopefully be done by camp.
- ~The super deck –FEMA will replace it. The quote to replace it was \$33,000. Ernie suggested the maintenance team build the new one for half the cost.

4. Camp Harkness Fund:

- ~The Camp Harkness Fund's 501© status should be complete within 4-6 weeks. Thanks to Baude & Rolfe CPA.
- ~A spring fundraiser is in the works. The group thought June 21-22 would be a nice time for a camp cleanup day. They talked about having music from 4-8.
- ~ A dance is scheduled for March 9 to raise funds for the garden.
- ~The Camp Harkness Fund donation policy is almost complete. Camp Harkness Park will get a copy of the States donation policy & also review the new Camp Harkness Fund policy.

5. The Barn:

- ~High Hopes would like to offer a pilot program at the Camp.
- ~The Barn needs major repair work. It is believed the state does not have funds for this. There is a lot of fence work that needs to be done. The Barn also needs much cleanup.
- ~A Camp User Agreement must be signed.

6. Camp Programs/Usage/Events

- ~Southeastern Connecticut Walk Now for Autism Speaks was a huge success! They would love to come back next year.
- ~ Camp Usage Report was handed out for the month of December.

7. Discussion of Possible Recognition

~Ron Rasi suggested we recognize Dawn Carlson is some way. She is president of SECADD. She has been going through some medical issues. Ron thought it would be nice to acknowledge her efforts for SECADD.

8. New Business

2013 Reservation Process~

~Reservations for August have started

Beach clean up will start soon! We may need flowers & grass. A volunteer day was discussed.

Next Meeting: February 28, 2012

Respectfully submitted by:

Diane Harrington, Secretary