

Camp Harkness Advisory Committee
301 Great Neck Road
Waterford, CT 06385-3825
June 24, 2021
Minutes

Present: Stan Soby, Heather Dierberger, Shannon Aiello, Betsy Danforth, April Dipollina, Elisa Marcoux, MaryAnn Langdon, Bev Jackson

Others Present: John Massicotte, Jackie Staller, Nick Capozza, Chris Pierce

1. Call to Order: 10:47 AM

2. Public Comment: None

3. Additions to Agenda: None

4. Approval of Minutes:

MaryAnn motioned to approve the minutes. Heather seconded the motion. All were in favor and the minutes were approved.

5. Correspondence: None

6. Camp Harkness Foundation:

A. Play Group

- Play Group had not met due to transition
- June 23rd Zoom meeting to introduce new coordinators and to discuss progress
- Meeting was open to parents and professionals
- 11 professionals; 16 parents attended
- Open discussion on childcare, emotional support, resource support, and teen and adult services (see handout)

B. Fundraising

- On hold until fall

7. Old Business:

A. Camp Report

i. Physical Plant:

- John reported
- Waiting for purchase order for Cottages 1 and 3 flooring
- Replacing bathtubs with showers
- Waiting for engineering to extend sea wall
- No progress with Cabin additions
- Summer hiring continues
- Purchased new lawn mower
- New phone lines approved
- Trenching to the gate house to allow remote from gate to office
- Tree work to be approved
- Nick working on gardens; planting, weeding, etc.

ii. Camp Usage/Events:

- Jackie gave May report (see attached)
- Extended welcome to Elisa who is transition into the position
- 465 day visits
- 17 volunteers
- The Arc has daily activity sessions
- Office is very busy with training and hiring
- Everyone working well as a team
- On June 25th Nick will work with 15 volunteers from Conn College

iii. Sun Shelter Sails:

- Matt and John continue to assess their use

B. DDS Updates:

- Elisa is very busy with training of new staff

C. Advocacy

- Budget includes additional funding for providers
- Waiting to see how monies will be allocated across services: wages, utilities, etc.
- Meeting date changed - TBD

8. New Business

- None

9. Adjournment: 11:59 AM

Next Meeting: July 22, 2021, at 10:30am at Camp Harkness

Respectfully submitted by: Shannon Aiello, Secretary