

Camp Harkness Advisory Committee
301 Great Neck Road
Waterford, CT 06385-3825
February 24, 2022
Notes

Present: Stan Soby, Shannon Aiello, April Dipollina, Bev Jackson, Elisa Marcoux, Betsie Danforth

Others Present: Chris Pierce, Myra Ortiz, Patricia West

1. **Call to Order:** No quorum
2. **Public Comment:** None
3. **Additions to Agenda:** None
4. **Approval of Minutes:** None
5. **Correspondence:** None
6. **Camp Harkness Foundation:**
 - A. **Play Group**
 - April reported no Play Group going forward
 - The focus has changed with the staff at Family Support Network
 - Southwest region in process of hiring a new director
 - Partnership with Camp Harkness may continue to go forward
 - B. **Fundraising**
 - Elisa reported that some monies have been received
 - Walk scheduled for June 11, 2022
 - C. **Playground**
 - Elisa reported that 2 quotes have been received
 - Possible cost \$200,000
 - Chris reported that equipment was available to repair existing Playground for this season
 - John requested 2 gliders through Capital Equipment
 - Awaiting response from Warren
 - Stan reported that he is aware of funding set aside by Governor Lamont for Camp program
 - He questioned whether staff was aware of its possible use
7. **Old Business:**
 - A. **Camp Report**
 - i. **Physical Plant:**
 - Chris reported there were 3 quotes for the Shower House's new roof
 - Awaiting Warren's response
 - Specs for additions to Yellow Cabin – John to meet with Warren today
 - Chris will meet with John to inspect roads around the Camp and assess needed repairs
 - Awning and paving of Brown Cabin area
 - Replace and adjust height of planters
 - Quote for tree removal
 - Install gliders
 - Drain system approved – Company will start weather permitting
 - DOT will grind stumps, clean up dump site, and haul debris out
 - Golf cartwheel chair assessable (6) is electric – requires charging and storage
 - Bev asked about automatic door on Cabin 1 – Chris will investigate it

ii. Policy for Use of Camp for Fundraising:

- Myra and Elisa reviewing past policies
- will pass on information to supervisor

iii. Camp Usage/ Events:

- Elisa reported for January (see attached)
- Cabin users: 2
- Special events: 0
- Camping: 0
- Online system on hold
- Sunrise made a site visit
- Two Directors meetings to discuss opening of Dining Hall

B. DDS Updates:

- Myra reported planning process for new Camp season
- It will be different
- Dining Hall and Kitchen plan – working with Camp Directors
- Patricia West reported a director has been hired to develop calendar of activities to meet the needs at Camp
- Elisa will send the start and end dates for Camp to the Committee

C. Advocacy:

- Appropriations Meeting Update Budget Hearing is today
- 200+ speakers

8. New Business:

A. Dan Stewart Memorial

- Continued discussion

Next Meeting: March 24, 2022, at Camp Harkness

Respectfully submitted by: Shannon Aiello, Secretary