

KIAWAH PROPERTY OWNERS GROUP, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, June 04, 2008

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of the Kiawah Property Owners Group (KPOG) was held at the Sandcastle on Wednesday, June 04, 2008, starting at 9:00 AM. Board members physically present were President Art Morgenstern, Vice President Arie deZanger Board Member Katie Kotz, Treasurer, Pete Silveston, new Board Member Blase Keegel, and Past President Diane Lehder. Board Member Bob Oakman attended via teleconferencing. Secretary Ron Ritchie was absent. Talk Editor Barbara Winslow and Membership Kathy Heikes.

The minutes of the May Board Meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer, Pete Silveston, reported the checking acct balance was \$13,007, savings account balance estimated for May 31 is \$103,542, and CD \$107,098.06

Membership Chair Kathy Heikes reported another membership record. As of the day of the meeting KPOG had 2048 members.

Kathy was given a password for the new software; she will contact V Soft to inquire when migration of the data will begin. She also reported that Kelly Bragg has set up a test of the email system. Art was able to sign in. The Board will test the system and an announcement allowing members to enroll will be made in the next issue of TALK.

OLD BUSINESS

KPOG By-Laws – Art Morgenstern discussed the Long Term Renters rules with KICA. Primary owners can assign their vote and can get decals and give access to the Sandcastle amenities to long term renters. The Board re-addressed membership in KPOG BY-LAWS and voted to leave them as they are written. This concludes changes to BY-LAWS.

Amphitheater – This issue has returned again because a small survey was sent out by KICA to their “survey mini-panel”. The survey again asked for opinions re: having an amphitheater. Since Seabrook and the Town of Kiawah have emphatically said no, the Board questions why KICA would even address the subject. Art will put something in the President’s column.

Roads – Paul Roberts asked if KPOG would endorse the Road plan he has written. Art told him that KPOG reports and presents all sides of an issue and does not endorse one. KICA is planning an "invitation only" meeting for Johns Island residents on June 10 to introduce to them the Roberts road plan. We will attempt to monitor what takes place at the meeting.

FOI – Freedom of Information Act. Bob Oakman had difficulty reaching our lawyer, Bender. Art finally reached him by cell phone. Bender suggested we get a different lawyer in Charleston area if we go ahead with litigation. Bender had talked with the Attorney General and said he will send the Attorney General's opinions to us and also think about whether he would respond to the Town's letter. Board members were asked come up with possible new lawyers we might contact for help, The Board decided all alternatives to litigation should be tried before we go to litigation.

Safety/Security – Bob Oakman reported that during the month of May there were a few more car accidents but nothing serious. There were the about the same number of medical emergencies. The raccoon rabies number has dropped, and the number of alligator incidents has increased. May traffic numbers were down from last year by about 20,000. However there were counter problems so there is no way to tell the accuracy of the count.

Insurance Renewal - Ron Ritchie was not present at the meeting. Art Morgenstern said he should receive final report from the Insurance Company soon. It should finalize in July.

Ads for 20th Anniversary booklet – Ari said there were no ads solicited at this point and the Anniversary will be celebrated September 13.

NEW BUSINESS

The Editorial Committee (Barbara Winslow, Art Morgenstern, Ari DeZanger, and Katie Kotz) met during in May and presented a Policy to be adopted by the Board for TALK. Ari DeZanger moved the policy be accepted, and Bob Oakman 2nd. One correction, 2nd paragraph, 3rd line, 2nd word. Delete the word “and”. (Corrected copy attached.)

There are boxes of old files for KPOG currently stored by the President and the Treasurer. Art Morgenstern, Barbara Winslow and Wendy Kulick have agreed to sort through and update the history and discard unnecessary files. Pete will look at requirements for retention of financial files and make recommendations. The Board agreed.

POPS has again requested a set of labels to send out to SC, NC, GA property owners to join Pops. The Board agreed as long as POPS pays for the cost of printing.

Member comment – and Board discussion. KICA has sponsors for events to help reduce costs to members (about \$5). At this time KPOG Board decided not to address this, but will monitor it to see if any sponsored events might create a conflict of interest.

Also, Barbara Winslow suggested KPOG might sponsor a talk by Billy McCord of the SCDNR about the importance of the Marshes in our ecosystem and invite Seabrook and others to the talk. Pete moved to proceed to collect a small committee to work on booking, flyers, ads, etc. Art seconded. Barbara Winslow will chair to get it started and look at the volunteer list.

The meeting adjourned at 11:20 AM

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Kotz in absence of Ronald Ritchie, Secretary

Editorial Committee/Policy Adopted 6/4/08 Board Meeting as corrected.

The Editorial Committee establishes broad principles regarding objectives of, and review procedures for, Kiawah Island TALK and other communications from KPOG to its members and the community. It will consist of at least the President of KPOG, the Editor of TALK and one other member of the Board of Directors.

All entity-oriented articles relating to a meeting of the Town, KICA or any other “political organization” will be written by a person who attended the subject meeting and reviewed by at least one other person who attended the meeting before being published in TALK. If a second KPOG person did not attend the subject meeting, the tape recording or verbatim minutes of the meeting will be reviewed, if available.

No entity-oriented articles will be reviewed by those outside of KPOG’s editorial group (Editor, reporters, Editorial Committee and KPOG Board), unless the editorial group seeks clarification of any technical details appearing in any such article.

TALK is published in a newspaper format. It reports on meetings attended and accepts articles from any Island group that wishes to submit one. The articles will be edited to conform to newspaper standards and any other guidelines established by the Editorial Committee.

The President’s Corner is the only editorial in TALK.

Letters to the Editor will be considered if they are relevant to KPOG’s mission. If published, they are printed as received, with no editing. The writer of the letter might be asked to shorten the letter, if needed, and alternate techniques of publishing the letter (e.g., print letter on KPOG website) can be explored, if required by space limitations.