

## SOUTH SHORES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

P.O. Box 922, San Pedro, CA 90733

Minutes of August 21, 2018

Call to Order: President Richard Scandaliato called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Richard Scandaliato, Vern Hall, Joyce Hall, Jerry Gaines, Mike Harper, Richard Welch, and Ed Storti

Not attending: Dave Billings, John Lang, Bob Genest (leave)

Guests: Jeniffer McMullen

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the July 17, 2018 meeting were approved unanimously as presented.

Status of 501 (C) 4 Application: Rich Scandaliato passed out an information draft document presenting arguments to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) responding to their initial findings that SSCA has been in default on past filings and may be required to pay fines for absent reports. Dave is working on alternatives to seek clarification of what is required for non-profit community based organizations such as our local association. He explains that the character of the association is *non-profit existing only in fostering a sense of "pride in belonging" to a community that cares about one another and seeks to nurture our spirit of neighborliness*. Revenue and expenses are directed to items supporting volunteer funded activities (includes an itemized list of these activities). SSCA has been assigned a specific EIN number by the IRS.

Treasurer's Report: John Lang reported \$5,828 in the checking account and a CD of \$7,365. Richard Scandaliato requested that the Treasurer provide a copy of the bank statement to the President monthly for oversight purposes. Given changes in the service of the Bank of America, plans are being made to close our account and open a new account with Malaga Bank in the near future. Prior to this action, research is needed to identify a debt noted in the current bank records.

Membership Committee Update: Vern Hall reported current membership at 488. The income for this year is \$7,595 to date. (vs. 500 members and \$5,390 income in 2017).

Cyber Watch Report: No report, Bob Genest on leave.

WEB Report: Jeniffer McMullen handed out a Website report for July 2018 which contained information on the engagement activities for this month. There were 186 visitors (avg 6/day). Other technical data were listed and a backup performed on 7/20/2018. Seeking pictures of board members and recent activities. Need to update EIN Pay Pal account. Board agreed to pay upcoming bills for domain names for two years.

Architectural: No report .

Open Business:

Welcome Wagon: 34 of 37 kits were delivered to new residents. Follow-up is being done to learn of the success of acquiring new members for these visits.

Health & Welfare Presentation: September 29, 2018 is the date of the next H & W presentation at the Little Sisters of the Poor Auditorium. Subject—Memory Loss. Ed Storti presented a draft budget for facilitating H & W programs for such events. Estimates note that some \$600 is needed to conduct a Saturday event.

*The Board approved spending \$600 for the upcoming September 29, 2018 H & W presentation. Passed unanimously.* Discussion focused on the number of such events scheduled over a calendar year. The arguments supporting the H & W program include “SSCA Branding,” “Community Service,” and Member Recruitment.

Summer Reception: The board conducted extensive discussion regarding the status of conducting a summer reception later this year. Given the challenges of planning such an event (volunteer planning) and the current uncertainty of identifying a local site as of August 2018, **the board voted to not hold this event for 2018**. Focus of the SSCA will move to 2019 where consideration will be made to hold a smaller reception for new members in the spring months and to look to the reopening of the San Pedro Elks Lodge for a membership wide event celebrating (belated) some 50 years as an association. Thanks were made to Richard Welsh for his efforts in reviewing sites for such an event.

Public Relations/Archives Caretaker: OPEN

**New Business:**

Discussion took place on exploring new engagement activities within the SSCA and its members. This will be a continuing agenda item each month.

Canceling September Board Meeting

The Board voted to **not meet in September** given the absence of a Summer Social and no urgent business pending for the next few weeks. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, October 16.

The next meeting will be **October 16 @7:30 p.m. at the home of Mike Harper, 2839 Graysby 1-310-850-9951**

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Jerry Gaines, Secretary