

Minutes -- WMCA Board of Director's Meeting -- Wed. Feb. 27, 2019

WMCA Board meeting called to order by Pres. Ron Heater at 6:00pm

Attending: Ron Heater, Allan Carlson, Bob Willson, Lisa

Boyle, Tom Huddleston. Absent: Helen Maiwald, Bob Wehr, Diane Derr, Joe Pinto.

1. Minutes of Jan. 23, 2019 meeting -- approved

2. In Bob Wehr's absence (traveling), Tom presented the Membership and financial updates. ----- Reports: As of Feb. 5, 2019, the WMCA has 176 members, -- of which, 60 represent 2 member families, which equals 116 households. A "look back" reveals that at the end of Jan. 2018, the CA had a total of 161 members a decent increase in membership, with many who have not renewed their membership, and indicating a good number of new members. Passed out alphabetical membership lists showing member info, and 2019 and 2018 members and renewals for comparison and possible recruitment. Board rejected suggestion to make phone calls to people who have not yet renewed for 2019..... too much like begging for members!!!

3. Finance report: Balance on hand of \$1,181.86 as of Feb. 25. Additions of \$25, new members, and \$50 anonymous donation. Expenditure of \$119.31 for stamps -- \$74.80, and for the CA's new Banner -- \$44.51. Tom noted that for this year, 2019, there are three (3) large expenditures from 2018 that will be non-repeating --- the \$954 printing/membership drive mailing; \$725 loss on the Holiday dinner, and the \$375 website renewal (good for 2 years). This should help make our financial position better for 2019, as member renewals continue to be received.

4. Guest speaker: Tommy Golden, representing Green Leaf Medical Cannabis business here in Frederick co..... for our Fall 2019 program. Excellent presentation and much insight into the rapidly growing business in Md. and all over the USA. Some highlights: Medical cannabis contributes over \$100 million to state of Md.; we are at least 10 years behind Colorado, the country's leader; Medical cannabis leads to fewer hospital and emergency room visits; all addictive elements are removed from the plant leaves; all are grown under very strict sanitary conditions and heavily regulated by strong medical cannabis laws. No needles, administered in tinctures, salves, drops and topical oils, and other methods. Grown in clean Rockwool, not dirty dirt!!! Maryland state cannabis laws are the strongest in the US. WOW, sign me up!!!!

Board decided right away to set a date with Green Leaf, for Wed. Sept 18, at the Club House. Mr Golden will bring one or two principal's of Green Leaf as experts for the program presentation.

5. Ron H. to confirm Jan Gardner for March 20 program. Program reminder flyer and a separate mailing of renewal request and program flyer to be mailed on Mon. March

4. (Both prepared by Treas. Bob W.) Allan C. to follow up with two (2) email blasts o/a March 12 and March 18.

6. May 2019, First Friday ---- Update by Lisa Boyle. --- plans going very well and already in place is donation of salsa and chips, and arrangement made for catering by Fahita Grande for a Taco bar food prep and set-up. Arrangements for Mexican beer and Margarita's, and a special Mexican party drink are in place. Should be a great fiesta !!! O'le !!! and Cheers!!

7. The May 2019 program with the Maryland School for the Deaf has been confirmed to Bob W. by Coordinator of Outreach and Admissions, Erin Rae Skees. She has promised to have students and teachers on hand for a true presentation and demo of their methods and success. Much more inclusive than previous visit.
8. New WMCA banner shown to the Board, and all agreed it looks great, and commend Bob W., for another "job well done"
9. Meeting adjourned approx. 7:20pm ... went into overtime !!! Minutes submitted by Tom Huddleston, WMCA Secry.