

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 16th, 6:30 pm

- **Attending:**

- In Person - Dirk Page, Page Bob Feyes, Diana Feyes, Kristin Brown, Tyra Walton, Dave Hooks, Denny Bossick, Chuck Christen, Vicci Holler, Maria Taylor, Lee Borellis, Chris Brodeur, Ceil Greber
- Virtually - Jen Crowley

- **Minutes**

- Review and those in attendance at the May meeting approved the minutes as presented.

- **Board positions:** - Dirk

- Potential new members
  - Introduced themselves and provided information on their experience and skill sets.
  - To familiarize the potential member and let them know about the organization they may be joining there was a discussion about: BCA history – Formation, Addition of the BSC, Changes in membership, Transition to a 501(c)3, the current direction and intentions of the BoD.
  - New folks were still interested and were voted on to the BoD.
  - New Members: Chuck Christen; Chris Brodeur; Vicci Holler; Tyra Walton
    - New members to email bob at [BCA\\_Treasurer@blackridge-bca.org](mailto:BCA_Treasurer@blackridge-bca.org) to get added to the BCA.Board email list
- Review of current Positions:
  - President: Dirk Page
  - Vice President: **Vacant**
  - Treasurer: Bob Feyes
  - Secretary: Jen Crowley
  - VP Membership – Kristin Brown
  - VP Ways & Means: Ceil Greber
  - Rental Director: Bob Feyes, Assisted by David Hooks
  - Buildings & Grounds: **Vacant**
  - Media Communications: Diana Feyes
  - Webmaster: Damon Mahon
  - Event Planning: Tyra with Chris Brodeur and Vicci Holler
  - Blackboard: **Vacant**
  - Block Captains: Chuck Christen
  - Pool Liaison: Vicci Holler
  - Churchill at Large: Lee Borellis, Maria Taylor
  - Penn Hills at Large: Kelly Dempsey
  - Wilkinsburg at large: Denny Bossick
  - Plum at Large: John Draganosky

- **BSC - State of the Pool** - Vicci

- Pool is doing well this year 123/125 memberships at this time
- Renovations from the grants have greatly improved the pool
- The access road from the park to the pool has been damaged by the recent storms

- **Financials** - Bob

- True-up with the BSC is proceeding well, Working with their Treasurer
- Will continue to work with BSC to set up their access to JoinIt so membership information can be shared as opposed to traded
- We are on track with most of our budget numbers, matching expenses of 2024
  - The exception is in maintenance.
    - \$752 plumbing expense related to a failed flush valve in the men's room
    - \$7,500 paid to contractor for electrical work before Capital Campaign
- **Membership:** - Kristin
  - Household Memberships to date:
    - 93 Regular families
    - 14 Sustaining members
    - 95 Senior
  - Will work with Bob to get complete membership information from checks/envelopes when hard copy forms are sent in without all the information completed vs online registrations
  - More of a curiosity than a concern, but how do we know those registering for a "Senior" membership are actually 65 or older?
- **Fundraisers**
  - Jazz Festival was scheduled but severe storms hit and focus was on cleanup and neighbors. It has not been rescheduled. Dave will talk with Peter to reach out to [Rentals@blackridge-BCA.org](mailto:Rentals@blackridge-BCA.org) to set another date
  - Tyra had talked with Celest about a vendor event. We as a board would welcome the event, but we have no idea where to start. Tyra is going to craft an outline of what needs to be done for the event. The discussion was to see if we can do a winter/pre-Christmas event. She is going to look into getting a vendors list. She will reach out to the board for assistance.
  - As meeting was breaking up, Chris and Dirk discussed a 2026 Spaghetti dinner on the weekend after Valentines Day... Would be meatball making on Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup> and the dinner on Sunday the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Will discuss further at the next meeting.
- **Capital Campaigns** - Bob
  - With donations and matching funds, \$18,700 was raised,
  - Almost covering the \$20,000 electrical costs of the BSC Renovations
  - Was stressed that by law, as a 501(c)3 we are required to send acknowledgement of any donation \$100 or more to the donor.
  - A BCA rule was established prior to Bob's Treasurer tenure began that we wanted donations of \$50 or more to receive acknowledgement, and it was to be sent as soon as possible after the receipt, not waiting till the end of the year.
  - Bob assured us this was done while he was Treas/Sect. Will check/work with Jen so that we are keeping up with that.
- **Rentals** – Bob
  - Our busy season is extending into fall this year. One (1) open weekend in both August and September. Two (2) open weekends in September.
  - There have been only a few rentals that have portions of their deposits held. Most have been good about following the rental rules. No one has been hit for the full amount in a while.
- **Grants**

- It has been confirmed that both the ARPA Federal Grant and GEDTF Allegheny County grant are completed on our end.
- Denny will pull together the physical documentation for the files stored in the BCA

- **Buildings and Grounds:**

- Exterior furnace room door needs replaced or repaired.
  - \$3600+ with Transom
  - Getting a professional in to check installation under existing Glass Block
- Closer for kitchen door on hold till we see what is happening with the Door
  - Churchill Borough Fundraiser Will be installed and secured on the porch. We may get a second as the collection is going well.

- **Future Events**

- **2025 Board Meetings**
  - Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>
  - Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>
- Committee/Breakout meeting to begin in opposite months of board meetings; suggested dates to be confirmed at next board meeting:
  - Wednesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> – Events Brainstorming
  - September 10<sup>th</sup> – Block Captain review/brainstorming
    - BCA not available, Location TBA
  - Wednesday, October 15
  - Wednesday, December 10
- **2025 Social Events**
  - Fall Festival – Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>
    - Jen is Point of Contact
  - Kid's Christmas Party – Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup> or Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup>?
    - Maria to pick the date (unless we get a paying rental...)

- **Old Business**

- Block Captains/BCA Ambassadors
  - Chuck is going to try taking on the team lead on this
  - Wrap your head around it/review/brainstorming on September 10<sup>th</sup>
    - Groups to take on streets instead of individuals
    - Kids to distribute fliers/Blackboards
- ALT Activities
  - Summer camp – July 21-25 from 9 AM – 3 PM each day
  - One renter Saturday, repeat and has been good,
  - ALT is setting up Sunday evening so Monday cleaning will not be necessary

- **New Business (Not that it is new)**

- **Primanti's**
- Will set a date with them to allow 3 weeks in the blast.
- The popcorn machine is gone. No one knows when. Has been a while...