

Eastern Star Homes of California Board of Trustees
Minutes
August 6, 2011

Present: Don Markert; Chris Dias; Kim Cooke; Linda Dolman; Dave Buck, PGP; Mary Carlson. Grand Officers: Maryann Barrios, Grand Secretary; Linda Hoeser, Grand Treasurer. SLC Staff: Clair Meske, Executive Director

Residents: Ronnie Cates, Marilyn Wyatt, June Demel, Lucille Johnson, Donna Belle Ostrom, Bessie Watson, Kay Ivey; Jean Ross

Excused: John Fletcher, PGP

Don called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. He thanked everyone for coming, and reminded everyone about the confidentiality agreement; Mary Carlson then gave the invocation.

Donna Belle Ostrom gave the report of the Resident Council. Two ombudsmen came to talk with the residents. She reported that the dress code still needs to be addressed.

MOTION 2011080601: It was moved by Don Markert and seconded that the minutes of the June meeting be approved as corrected, the correction being that on Motion 2011071606 Chris Dias made the motion and on Motion 2011071607 both Chris Dias and Dave Buck abstained. The motion carried.

MOTION 20110800602: It was moved by Don Markert and seconded to approve the joint meeting minutes of July 16, 2011 as distributed. The motion carried.

There was concern that the financial statements are not coming to the Board on a timely basis. They are going to set up a meeting with the Finance Committee to discuss it. Don reported that the Finance Committee also asked the Board to submit a 5-year fiscal plan for the SLC to the Finance Committee in September so they can present it at Grand Chapter in October.

Jurisprudence Committee approved the EcoLab and Telepacific contracts; they've been signed and sent.

Kim Cooke reported on the contracts for the walkway. One of the bids was from a firm whose license expired in 2010; one bid was from a firm whose license has been suspended. The third bid was from a fully covered firm who is willing to come and review what needs to be done.

Linda Bernhard, AGM, and Steve Johnson, AGP, entered the meeting at 8:50 a.m. Don Snyder, WGP, entered the meeting at 8:55 a.m.

Clair presented a video about teleconferencing in the hopes that the Board and its committees might be able to save some travel expenses.

Chris Dias mentioned that she and Kim Cooke visited with some of the residents at breakfast this morning; they mentioned that they would like more interaction with the Board.

Donna Belle Ostrom left the meeting at 9:15 a.m.

Debra Stewart, Outreach Director, and Nancy Pretty (the third party estate sale coordinator) came in at 9:30 a.m.

Nancy Pretty gave a report on the estate sale process. She has a crew that comes in and sets up, prices and sells the items. She did mention that the estate sale held at the Festival was a bit hampered by the lack of parking and the amount of traffic and other events in the area. She gave the Board some insight as to how the process works, what sells and what might not, and other information.

Nancy Pretty and the residents left the meeting at 9:55 a.m. at which time the Board went into executive session.

The Board came out of executive session at 11:25 a.m.

MOTION 2011080603: It was moved by Kim Cooke and seconded that AP2579 be approved for admission as an Asset Transfer resident with the requirement that a cashier's check or USPS money order for the money loaned to the daughter be given to the SLC upon moving in. The motion carried.

MOTION 2011080604: It was moved by Dave Buck and seconded to pursue legislation that amends the admissions requirement so that a married couple who are both members of the Order can be admitted to the SLC if only one of the members is 65 years of age and the other is at least 62. The motion carried.

MOTION 2011080605: It was moved by Dave Buck and seconded that AP2565 be admitted to the SLC as an asset transfer life care resident. The motion carried.

MOTION 2011080606: It was moved by Dave Buck and seconded that assistance for OP2350 increase from \$535 to \$590 monthly paid directly to the member by automatic deposit until MOS agrees to absorb the entire cost. The motion carried.

MOTION 2011080607: It was moved by Dave Buck and seconded that the Board deny the request of MOS for burial expenses for OP2350. The motion carried.

MOTION 2011080608: It was moved by Kim Cooke and seconded that the request for ongoing assistance for OP 2453 of \$871 monthly with payment going directly to Serene Oaks Care Home be tabled until SLC staff has worked an agreement out with MOS. The motion carried.

MOTION 2011080609: It was moved by Chris Dias and seconded that continued assistance for OP1013 be approved in the form of Access travel coupons as needed, and paying the Lifeline bill of \$40.93 monthly and the Time Warner cable bill of \$72.00 monthly. The motion carried.

MOTION 2011080610: It was moved by Dave Buck and seconded that the Board table the continued partnership with MOS for OP2411 in the amount of \$71.00 monthly paid directly to the client until SLC staff has worked an agreement out with MOS. The motion carried.

The next meeting will be Saturday, Sept. 10, 2011 at 9 a.m. at the Radisson Hotel in Fresno.

The Board went into executive session at 11:30 a.m.

The Board came out of executive session at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Maryann Barrios
Grand Secretary