

Minutes from Ocean Pines Communications Virtual Meeting

January 20, 2022

In Attendance:

Cheryl Jacobs
Marlene Ott
Julie Malinowski
Josette Wheatley
Jenny Cropper-Rines
Josh Davis
Debbie Bennington
Patty Seidl

Jenny made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting on November 18, 2021 and Patty seconded the motion.

Old Business

Jenny shared Executive Council Meeting update, good meeting and representation. Josette shared that Jenny did a great job discussing our committee's tasks and asked for support. **The minutes from the Executive Council Meeting are attached.**

The Residence Academy and History Panel were discussed also. The Guard Shack at the North Gate was discussed along with the electronic signage. Josette said that together we can help the community, Josh and Julie have done a smash up job.

Cheryl thanked everyone that could make it for getting together at the Pines Public House on December 23, 2021 for the holidays.

Electronic Signage

Electronic Signage was on the agenda for Saturday's OPA Board meeting for discussion. Cheryl encouraged all to attend. Josh shared the link if you are interested in joining remotely, the link is https://www.oceanpines.org/web/pages/news_content?AnnouncementId=1156&backURL=web/pages/opa-news

In response to Cheryl's email to the Board, Doug responded and is in support. Josette mentioned that this will definitely move our community and committee forward. Electronic Signage would have definitely been an asset for Covid alerts.

Also safety is a factor.

Non-OPA Members

Jenny was interested in trying to get email addresses for non-opa club chairs. Josette asked Larry for information has not received. Will follow-up. It would be great to be able to communicate with clubs.

New Business

Cheryl asked if a suggestion to the Board for a Town Hall should be made for electronic voting. 249 residents mentioned electronic voting in last survey. Jenny suggested let the Strategic Planning Committee have their meeting first, which is next week, and Jenny will let Cheryl know the outcome. Josette said election committee will be discussing electronic voting.

Annual Meeting Attendance

What can we do to generate interest to come to the meeting? Suggestions were to have a drawing, family fun day, scratch off ticket, guest speaker, something to generate interest. We will continue to talk about this every month.

Relocating the Building at Northgate Bridge

Very expensive, not practical, very small. Jenny suggested maybe a replica be constructed someday in White Horse Park, something to house the artifacts. Perhaps we could look for sponsors to help, Comcast, Mediacom. Josette offered to assist with her connection with Comcast. Cheryl noted that we need to think about that and share our thoughts. Marlene thinks it is a great idea, maybe upload the old IBM red sacks. Maybe a slide show with some of the pictures to view when people come through. Our History Panel video also could be included. Jenny to research NAV Center at Salisbury University and report back.

Additional Committee Members

Cheryl mentioned that we all need to do some recruitment, as some of our members will be timing out this year.

Cheryl made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Jenny and Marlene seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned 10:45am.

Patty Seidl, Secretary

[Next OP Communications meeting is scheduled for February 17, 2022. \(virtual\)](#)