

**Camp Harkness Advisory Committee**  
**Camp Harkness Office**  
**301 Great Neck Road**  
**March 22, 2017**  
**Minutes**

**Present:** April Dipollina, Vicki Severin, Bev Jackson, Ron Rasi, Betsie Danforth, Shannon Aiello, MaryAnn Langdon

**Others Present:** Carin Mancini, Neil Cobliegh, Chris Pierce, Ashley Wiggins

**1. Call to Order:** 11:50 AM

**2. Public Comments:** None

**3. Additions to Agenda:** None

**4. Approval of Minutes:**

February minutes were amended. April was not present at last meeting.

April motioned to approve the February minutes as amended. Betsie seconded the motion. All were in favor and the minutes were approved.

**5. Correspondence:** None

Vicki received notification from groups for events:

- April 15<sup>th</sup> Road Race – Mindscape – a group involved with brain injury
- May 13<sup>th</sup> Walk – Neurological disorders
- April 23<sup>rd</sup> – MS Walk

**6. Camp Harkness Fund:**

**A. Fund Raisers**

- Brick Fund application forms have been sent out
- Comedy for a Cause event is on hold

**B. Play Group**

- Positive for both parents and children
- Interactions, informational and social
- Next group meeting April 29<sup>th</sup>

**7. Old Business**

**A. Camp Report – see attached**

**i. Camp Usage/ Events**

- Vicki gave February report
- Events included: movie night, cabin users and volunteers working around the camp

**ii. Physical Plant:**

- Chris reported that a quote has been received for automatic doors for bath rooms in dining hall
- Plumbers will finish steam kettles
- Quote for toilets, new doors and paint for Yellow and Blue cabins
- Kent obtained a quote to repair washer/ dryers – they froze during cold weather

**iii. Gate System**

- Door King, the company out of California, stated that the system failed because the system exceeded the 3000 limit
- Carin's secretary is diligently dealing with the Tyco representative
- Data can be copied and moved into the ADT system
- A purchase request is being submitted

**B. DDS Updates**

- Continued discussions ongoing

**C. Advocacy**

- Everyone is urged to continue to contact legislators
- Bev suggested an information packet about the camp be available for members to have on hand
- Testimony on various bills continues – won't see budget until early May
- Interviews being held for Ernie's position
- Warren Shilling met with Carin and Chris about monies for camp after learning the Governor cancelled bond commission meeting; will do temporary repairs to address needs to prepare for summer camp
- MaryAnn shared that she wrote a letter concerning Medicade; Chris Murphy's office contacted her and asked if they may use the letter

**8. New Business:**

- Camp Clean Up Day is April 22<sup>nd</sup> – volunteers to clean gardens and around the buildings

**9. Adjournment:** 12:40 PM

**Special presentation of artwork to follow meeting**

**Next Meeting:** April 27, 2017 at Camp Harkness Hall

**Respectfully submitted by:** Shannon Aiello, Secretary