



**SUMMARY OF MINUTES
RESTON COMMUNITY CENTER
BOARD OF GOVERNORS' MEETING
MAY 5, 2008**

Present:

- Bill Bouie, Chair
- Karen Cleveland, Vice Chair
- Colin Mills, Secretary
- Carol Ann Bradley
- Beverly Cosham
- Bill Keefe

Absent:

- Bill Penniman, Treasurer
- Claudine Varesi
- Cathy Vivona

Staff:

- Leila Gordon, Executive Director

Visitors:

None.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m., welcoming the viewing audience.

Approval of the Agenda:

Bill Bouie, Chair

MOTION #1:

Colin Mills moved that the Board approve the Agenda. Beverly Cosham and Carol Ann Bradley seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

Approval of the April 7, 2008 Board Minutes:

Bill Bouie, Chair

MOTION #2:

Colin Mills moved that the Board approve the April 7, 2008 Board Minutes. Beverly Cosham and Karen Cleveland seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of the April 7, 2008 Board Actions:

Bill Bouie, Chair

MOTION #3:

Colin Mills moved that the Board approve the April 7, 2008 Board Actions. Carol Ann Bradley seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

Chair's Remarks:

Bill Bouie, Chair

The Chair said he had embarked on a vehicle trip last Thursday morning to take his daughter to Portland, Oregon and they had arrived there yesterday at 5 a.m.

May 5, 2008 BOG Meeting cont'd

The Chair noted the many activities of the Initiative for Public Art-Reston (IPAR), CenterStage, and Greater Reston Arts Center (GRACE). The Great Grapes Food, Arts, and Wine Festival was held on April 26th and 27th at the Reston Town Center. The Chair said he was looking forward to the summer, warm weather, and the various community events and activities.

Introduction of Visitors:

Bill Bouie, Chair. The Chair noted the absence of visitors.

Citizen Input:

Bill Bouie, Chair. None.

Board Member Input on Activities Attended:

Bill Bouie, Chair

Bill K. said he had attended a meeting of the Reston Master Plan Review Committee that was called together by Hunter Mill District Supervisors Catherine Hudgins to suggest revisions to the Reston Master Plan and PRC Ordinance. The committee is composed of representatives from all major Reston citizen groups and Fairfax County Department of Planning and Zoning staff. The RCC Board may need to decide who would be the permanent liaison for this committee. Bill K. took a tour of the Snake Den Branch restoration project led by Michael Rolband, President of Wetland Studies and Solutions, Inc., and noted that Michael would give anyone a tour. Wetland Studies is performing the \$12 million restoration project and all its credits are from the Dulles Airport's expansion. Bill K. reported that the Reston Association's (RA) Parks & Planning Advisory Committee met last week to discuss active recreation opportunities and short-term funding for a skate park in Reston. The Chair congratulated Leila Gordon on her appointment as the new RCC Executive Director, noting that this was her first Board meeting in this position. The executive director said she was excited about her new role at the Center. Karen attended meetings with various community groups, especially GRACE and the Reston Town Center to discuss upcoming activities. Karen announced that the 17th Annual Northern Virginia Fine Arts Festival will be held on May 17th and 18th at the Reston Town Center. Colin attended numerous community meetings. Colin, the Chair, Beverly, and Carol attended the annual Best of Reston Awards Gala on April 24th to show support for award recipient Ruth Overton, former RCC Board member. The Chair said Ruth made great remarks promoting RCC, which has become a central part of the Best of Reston event. The Chair said he was pleased to see RCC staff members attend this event and feel they were a part of the community and he expressed interest in continuing this experience as a tradition. Beverly rehearses with the Reston Chorale every Tuesday night at the Center and announced that the group will hold a "Reston Swings" concert on May 17th from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Center. She sang at the fifth annual Founder's Day event on April 12th at the Lake Anne Village Center and the Best of Reston Awards Gala. Beverly saw the *Anthony Zerbe in It's All Done with Mirrors* performance at CenterStage. Beverly and Carol attended the *Leine Roebana in Sporen* performance at CenterStage and went to the farewell party for Cindy Fortuno, former RCC Media Specialist. Carol attended numerous meetings and saw the *Dave Murray's Black Saint Quartet* performance at CenterStage. She takes an acrylic paint class. Carol went on a Senior trip to the Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden and attended the GRACE's Champagne Art Auction. She also attended the National Council of Negro Women luncheon with the executive director.

Committee Reports

Bill Bouie, Chair

Joint Community Relations/Program Policy Committee (April 14, 2008)

Karen Cleveland, Chair of the Program Policy Committee, did not attend this meeting and Cathy Vivona, Chair of the Community Relations Committee was absent. Therefore, Carol Ann Bradley, member of the Community Relations and Program Policy Committees, summarized and submitted the report for the record. Please see attached report.

May 5, 2008 BOG Meeting cont'd

In response to a question from Carol, the executive director said the Center for Survey Research at the University of Virginia still needs to identify dates to hold the focus group sessions.

Joint Finance/Building Committee (April 17, 2008)

Beverly Cosham, Chair of the Building Committee. The report was summarized and submitted for the record. Please see attached report.

MOTION #4:

Beverly Cosham moved that the Board approve inclusion of the new activity components at the recommended funding levels in the FY2010 Budget. Colin Mills and Carol Ann Bradley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION #5:

Beverly Cosham moved that the Board approve modification of the Community Room enhancement piece of the FY2009 Budget to insert a needs assessment and architectural and engineering study budgeted at \$60,000 in place of the previously budgeted enhancements. Karen Cleveland seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

Long Range Planning Committee (May 5, 2008)

Beverly Cosham, Chair.

Beverly reported that the Long Range Planning Committee had met earlier this evening at 6:35 p.m.

The first agenda item was an update on the RCC staff relocation plans during the building closure. Staff will be moving to a turnkey office space at the Regus-HQ building on the corner of Sunrise Valley Drive and Reston Parkway. The estimated cost of rent for this location is lower than previously recorded. Off-site storage has been secured. RCC staff is meeting with Regus-HQ staff within a week.

The second agenda item was approval of the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) motion forwarded by the Joint Finance/Building Committee.

The third item was approval of the proposed outline of the June 16th public hearing presentation, which will include highlights of the prior year, the CIP, the FY2010 Budget outline and calendar, results of the Citizen Survey, and a report on "RCC on the Road."

The fourth agenda item was proposal of a resolution of support for the efforts of IPAR. Beverly read the draft resolution. Please see attached resolution.

MOTION #6:

Beverly Cosham moved that the Board approve the proposed resolution of support for the efforts of the Initiative for Public Art-Reston, as drafted by RCC staff. Bill Keefe seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Beverly noted the final agenda item was an information item on shared communications between the Center and all the Reston organizations. The executive director will keep the Board updated on this effort.

Approval of Committee Reports:

Bill Bouie, Chair

MOTION #7:

Colin Mills moved that the Board approve the Committee Reports. Beverly Cosham seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

May 5, 2008 BOG Meeting cont'd

Executive Director's Report:

Leila Gordon, Executive Director. The report was summarized and submitted for the record. Please see attached report.

The executive director noted that for the Northern Virginia Fine Arts Festival, RCC is collaborating with GRACE to launch a story collecting project. The Center will provide the equipment that will allow for video capture in a digital format so they can easily be edited on computer. The storytelling nook will be conveniently located next to the food and wine court at the festival. The intent is to continue this project in upcoming festivals: Reston Festival, Reston Multicultural Festival, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration, and 2009 Founders' Day. Similar to the NPR StoryCorps project, the focus of this project is to gather stories related to these events and to people's experiences in Reston and also to create a video archive of these stories that will be housed in the Reston Storefront Museum of Suburban History. This year's anniversaries include GRACE (35 years) and Reston (45 years) and next year's special events include Reston founder Robert E. Simon, Jr.'s 95th birthday on April 10th and RCC's 30th anniversary as of the third week in May. All the storytelling and collecting will help create commemorative aspects of these anniversaries for each of the organizations and events.

The executive director pointed out that in April, the Center held its 5th Annual Diva Central Prom Dress Drive, which was hugely successful and covered in *The Washington Post*. Kish Jordan, RCC Teen Program Director, monitors and manages this event every year.

Responding to a question from Bill K., the executive director said South Lakes High School's All Night Graduation Party will be held at the Reston YMCA since the Center will be under renovation. She also mentioned that the Herndon High School Prom After Breakfast, which is an alcohol and drug-free event, will be held at the Center on May 17 and 18.

Old Business:

Bill Bouie, Chair.

There was a brief discussion on whether RCC could use the United Christian Parish of Reston's Hunters Woods office building during the building closure. The executive director said she would contact David Ross, owner of the building, to discuss this matter.

New Business:

Bill Bouie, Chair. None.

MOTION #8

Colin Mills moved that the meeting be adjourned. Beverly Cosham seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Colin Mills, Board Secretary

Date

**RESTON COMMUNITY CENTER
BOARD ACTIONS
TAKEN AT BOARD OF GOVERNORS' MEETING ON MAY 5, 2008**

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| 08-05-05-1 | Bd | That the Board approve the Agenda. |
| 08-05-05-2 | Bd | That the Board approve the April 7, 2008 Board Minutes. |
| 08-05-05-3 | Bd | That the Board approve the April 7, 2008 Board Actions. |
| 08-05-05-4 | Bd | That the Board approve inclusion of the new activity components at the recommended funding levels in the FY2010 Budget. |
| 08-05-05-5 | Bd | That the Board approve modification of the Community Room enhancement piece of the FY2009 Budget to insert a needs assessment and architectural and engineering study budgeted at \$60,000 in place of the previously budgeted enhancements. |
| 08-05-05-6 | Bd | That the Board approve the proposed resolution of support for the efforts of the Initiative for Public Art-Reston, as drafted by RCC staff. |
| 08-05-05-7 | Bd | That the Board approve the Committee Reports. |
| 08-05-05-8 | Bd | That the meeting be adjourned. |

Colin Mills, Board Secretary

Date