

**Minutes of the
Dorsey's Search Community Association Board of Directors
meeting via Zoom**

4765 Dorsey Hall Drive, Ellicott City, MD 21042

Held: December 8, 2021

Approved: 1/12/2022

The Board of Directors of the Dorsey's Search Community Association, Inc. conducted its regular Board meeting on Wednesday, December 8, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom teleconferencing.

Present: Ellen Mackey-Chair
Derek Carey
Christine Simpson
Christopher Fuchs
Dick Boulton – Columbia Council Representative
Ingrid Hatz, Village Manager
Anne McKissick, Covenant Advisor
Nancy Meredith, Administrative Asst to the Village Manager

Absent:

Mrs. Mackey **called** the meeting **to order** at 7:01 p.m.

I. **Adoption of the agenda:**

Action: Mrs. Mackey moved to modify the agenda to place the CCR report before the Covenant Advisor report. **Seconded: Mr. Fuchs;**

Vote 4-0-0.

For: Mr. Carey; Mr. Fuchs; Ms. Simpson; Mrs. Mackey

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

II. **Guest/Resident Speakers - none**

III. **Approval of October 13, 2021 minutes:**

Action: Mr. Fuchs moved to approve the October 13, 2021 Board Minutes; **Seconded: Ms. Simpson;**

Vote: 3-0-0

For: Ms. Simpson; Mr. Carey; Mr. Fuchs

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

IV. **Reports from:**

a. **CCR**

1. Report submitted

1. Question - How can you quantify the cost of pathways?

A: Pathways don't bring in money. They do not pay for themselves. When looking at the cost to maintain and run programs; they used figures from Pre-COVID years. This should not negatively affect other programs or community offerings.

2. The Art Center in the Long Reach Village Center has beautiful handmade things that are reasonable priced. Ms. Simpson will let us know when the Art Center hours are so we can post it on our social media sites.
3. Question – HoCo by Design – why is it placed on hold?
There seems to be some push back on this project.
4. Question – Capital Projects – what is getting funded?
Don't know what is getting funded, but is pushing to get some items worked on
5. Question – Lifeguards – Is this just for the Summer? Is Splashdown closing?
Splashdown is not closing.
 - Mrs. Mackey -We need to look for lifeguards now to train and get them certified before pool season.
 - Matthew Sims was a lifeguard; Mr. Rob Sims was a huge asset to our community
 - Mr. Boulton thanked the community association for hosting the repast at Linden Hall
 - Mrs. Mackey mentioned the need to fill Mr. Sims seat.

Mr. Boulton left at 7:26pm.

- b. **Guest** - Mrs. Mackey acknowledged Ms. Hira's attendance at the meeting. Mrs. Mackey welcomed her to make any comments.
 1. County Executive Ball's 1st FY23 Resident's Budget Hearing is on Monday, December 13, 2021 at 6pm. Please sign up or tune in to listen.
 2. Question – When is Toys for Tots and how do you recommend families for this service? Where is distribution?
The County is in contact with different agencies and schools to reach families in need. Distribution will take place at the County's Recreation and Parks Building located on Oakland Mills Road. Toys for Tots website: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050d4baca72ba1f94-2021>
- c. **Covenant Advisor:**
 1. Looking for Volunteers to serve on the Village ARC and be a sign-off person
- d. **Manager:**
 1. Future Board Meeting dates
 2. Ellicott City Volunteer Fire Department's Santa Event had their event here on Saturday, December 4. It went well.
 3. Upcoming Events: This weekend will be the Storytime and Breakfast with Santa.

V. Business

- a. Donations
 1. Dunloggin Middle School-renovations for school; need more specific information. Chris could ask for resident input during our Speak-out time.
 1. Ms. Simpson mentioned that the process to donate for Capital Improvements is difficult to navigate.
Ms. Hatz mentioned that an email went sent prior to the October Board Meeting.

Mr. Fuchs found the email and it is for the Dunloggin Middle School PTA for student programs.

Action: Ms. Simpson moved to donate \$125 for the Dunloggin PTA; **Seconded by:** Mrs. Mackey;

Vote: 3-0-0

For: Ms. Simpson; Mr. Carey; Mr. Fuchs; Mrs. Mackey

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

2. Ellicott City Volunteer Fire Department (ECVFD)

Action: Mrs. Mackey motioned to duplicate the amount given to the Fire Department last year; **Seconded by:** Mr. Carey

Vote: 3-0-1

For: Mr. Fuchs; Mr. Carey; Mrs. Mackey

Against: 0

Abstain: Ms. Simpson

Discussion about Ms. Simpson's abstention.

2nd Vote to modify the donation

Action: Ms. Simpson would like to donate to ECVFD as in previous years, but would like to cap it at \$200; Seconded by: Mrs. Mackey

Vote: 4-0-0

For: Mr. Fuchs, Ms. Simpson; Mr. Carey; Mrs. Mackey

b. 2nd Quarter Financials

Action: Mrs. Mackey accepts the 2nd Quarter Financial submitted by Ms. Hatz; Village Manager; **Seconded by:** Mr. Carey;

Vote: 4-0-0

For: Mr. Carey, Mr. Fuchs; Mrs. Mackey; Ms. Simpson

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

VI. Board Member Comments:

1. Ms. Simpson – Thanked the community and will miss Mr. Sims
2. Mr. Fuchs-tribute to Mr. Sims
3. Mr. Carey-tribute to Mr. Sims
4. Mrs. Mackey-tribute to Mr. Sims; please keep the family in your prayers

VII. **Adjournment:** The Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Meredith

Administrative Assistant for the Village Manager